

**PUBLIC HEARING OF
THE VILLAGE OF MARCELLUS
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL
ON MARCH 27, 2023**

PRESENT: John P. Curtin, Mayor See List
John J. Murphy, Trustee
Jeffrey D. Brown, Attorney
Charnley A. Abbott, Village Clerk

ABSENT: Timothy P. Manahan, Trustee

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Curtin made a motion to open the public hearing regarding Local Law #3 of 2023 at 7:02pm, seconded by Trustee Murphy. All board members voted aye and the public hearing was opened.

The Village Clerk read the legal notice of the public hearing to those in attendance.

Mayor Curtin explained that the purpose of the public hearing was to allow all interested parties the opportunity to be heard regarding Local Law #3, which would authorize a moratorium in the Village Center zone prohibiting exterior changes to commercial buildings in the Village Center zone without first appearing before the Planning Board, including painting and the replacement of siding or other surface materials. An exception to this would be normal maintenance such as touching up existing painted surfaces. At the present time, the Design Guidelines in the Village Code are not legally enforceable, therefore the Village Board and the Planning Board will begin to draft an amendment to the Code that will make design guidelines for properties in the Village Center mandatory. The Board has approved a proposal from its engineering firm, MRB, that will assess the current codes from a standpoint of alignment with best practices and desired outcomes, work with Village leadership to identify issues with current guidelines, and identify opportunities for codification. MRB will develop language to address gaps between current guidelines and community expectations, and update language to ensure alignment with current best practices, and potential future needs and New York State law. The approved proposal will update the design guidelines and prepare the required SEQR documentation to adopt these updates. The revision will take several months to complete and be adopted; therefore this moratorium will remain in effect until that time.

Mayor Curtin asked if there were any comments from the Village Board. There were none.

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Mayor Curtin made a motion to adjourn the public hearing, seconded by Trustee Murphy. Mayor Curtin called for a vote. All members voted aye and the meeting was adjourned at 7:04pm.

Charnley A. Abbott, Village Clerk

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