

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

**LOCAL LAW NO. 6 OF 2023 TO ABOLISH THE OFFICE OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS OF THE TOWN OF WALWORTH AND TRANSFER THE POWERS AND DUTIES THEREOF TO THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK OF THE TOWN OF WALWORTH**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a proposed Local Law is under consideration by Walworth Town Board, designated as Local Law No. 6 of 2023 to Abolish the Office of the Receiver of Taxes and Assessments of the Town of Walworth and Transfer the Powers and Duties Thereof to the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Walworth.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the purpose of said Local Law is to abolish the Office of the Receiver of Taxes and Assessments of the Town of Walworth abolished as of January 1, 2024 (i.e., at the end of the calendar year of 2023), and transfer the powers and duties thereof to the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Walworth.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that said proposed Local Law is on file in the Walworth Town Clerk's Office located at 3600 Lorraine Dr., Walworth, New York, where it is available for public inspection during regular business hours.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that a public hearing upon said proposed Local Law has been scheduled for the 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023 at 6:30 PM, to be held at Walworth Town Hall, 3600 Lorraine Drive, Walworth, NY. An opportunity to be heard in regard thereto will then and there be given to members of the public. Written comments may also be directed to the Walworth Town Clerk, Walworth Town Hall, 3600 Lorraine Dr., Walworth, NY.

Dated: June 15, 2023  
BY ORDER OF THE  
WALWORTH TOWN BOARD  
Aimée Phillips  
Town Clerk

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**BE IT ENACTED**, by the Town Board of the Town of Walworth, Wayne County, State of New York, as follows:

**Section I. Authorization**

The adoption of this Local Law is in accordance with New York Municipal Home Rule Law, including Section 10 thereof, and expressly supersedes any provision of Town Law which is contrary to this Local Law, including but not limited to Sections 20 and 37 thereof.

**Section II. Title and Purpose**

This law shall be known as and may be cited as Local Law No. 6 of 2023 to Abolish the Office of the Receiver of Taxes and Assessments of the Town of Walworth and Transfer the Powers and Duties Thereof to the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Walworth.

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**Section III. Legislative Finding**

The Walworth Town Board finds that it would be to the benefit of the public to abolish the Office of the Receiver of Taxes and Assessments of the Town of Walworth and transfer the powers and duties thereof to the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Walworth, primarily because it would allow much greater access to the public to those services customarily provided by the Office of the Receiver of Taxes and Assessments, given that the current Office of the Receiver of Taxes and Assessments is limited in the hours in which it is open to the public, while the Office of the Town Clerk is generally open and available to the public during regular business hours. Moreover, by combining two offices into one, the Town Board is hopeful that certain efficiencies might be realized, including the likelihood that modest cost savings could be achieved.

**Section IV. Amendment**

The Office of Receiver of Taxes and Assessments of the Town of Walworth, New York, is abolished as of January 1, 2024 (i.e., at the end of the calendar year of 2023). Contemporaneous with such abolishment, the powers and duties of that Office shall be transferred to the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Walworth, New York.

**Section V. Validity and Severability**

Should any word, section, clause, paragraph, sentence, part or provision of this local law be declared invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such determination shall not affect the validity of any other part hereof.

**Section VI. Repeal, Amendment and Supersession of Other Laws**

All other ordinances or local laws of the Town of Walworth which are in conflict with the provisions of this local law are hereby superseded or repealed to the extent necessary to give this local law force and effect during its effective period.

**Section VII. Mandatory Referendum**

This Local Law is subject to mandatory referendum at the 2023 General Election.

**Section VIII. Effective Date**

This Local Law shall take effect upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the qualified electors voting thereon at said election and the filing of this Local Law with the office of the Secretary of State in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.