**Minutes of a public hearing held by the Town Board of Thurston, County of Steuben, and the State of New York at the Town Hall, 7578 County Route 333 on the 21st of October 2026 to take comments on proposed Local Law # 7 A local law Regulating the Use of All-Terrain Vehicles on Town Highways.**

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| **Present:** | Town Supervisor: | Michael Volino |
| | Town Council: | John Hawley Holly Chase, Noel Sylvester, Jennifer Hargrave |
| | Highway Superintendent: | Alan Crooker |
| | Code Enforcement Officer: | Nick Nolton |
| | Assessors: | Diana Dixon, Gerald Gebhard |

**Visitors:** Dolores Crooker, Eva Turner, Jeffrey Sweeney, Samuel Dick, Ruth Schoonover, Lisa Hargrave Desiree Fisk

Michael Volino called the meeting to order and briefly described the Local Law and the reason it has been drawn up. This Local Law would remove the Town from liability if people choose to ride on Town roads. This has been sent to the County Planner and although they don't have to review or approve it, it was agreed this is a good idea.

Residents will be required to register their ATV using their registration and proof of ownership. They will have to sign a waiver and will receive a sticker to show proof they registered with the Town. Since "side-by-sides" don't require a registration, the owner can show their statement of origin and bill of sale. The Town Board will set the fee and the length of time the registration will be good for at the organizational meeting.

There was some discussion regarding the requirement to show insurance, and the Supervisor will talk with our Attorney to see if this is required.

There being no further public comment, the public hearing was closed at 6:40 p.m. upon motion by Noel Sylvester and seconded by Holly Chase. All those present voted, aye. Motion Carried.

It was noted no action will be taken on this Local Law until the November meeting.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sue Conklin, Town Clerk

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