

**TOWN OF WAWAYANDA TOWN BOARD
NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Town Board of the Town of Wawayanda will hold a special meeting on July 22, 2021, at 6:00 PM for the purpose of holding a Public Hearing on an introductory local law titled “Opt-Out of Allowing On-Site Cannabis Consumption Establishments” and any other business that may come before the Board. A separate Notice of Public Hearing on the introductory local law has been published and posted.

KATHRYN SHERLOCK
TOWN CLERK
TOWN OF WAWAYANDA

**TOWN OF WAWAYANDA
NOTICE OF HEARING
INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that there has been introduced before the Town Board of the Town of Wawayanda, New York, on July 8, 2021, a local law entitled, “Opt-Out of Allowing On-Site Cannabis Consumption Establishments,” which local law would opt-out the Town of Wawayanda from the state statute authorizing towns to allow the licensing and establishing of on-site cannabis consumption establishments within the Town, and thus prohibit such establishments in the Town of Wawayanda. This local law would not exclude cannabis retail dispensaries from the Town. This local law, if adopted, is subject to permissive referendum. A complete copy of the Introductory Local Law is available for inspection at the Clerk's Office and on the Town website.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, the Town Board of the Town of Wawayanda, New York, will hold a public hearing on the aforesaid Local Law at the Town Hall, 80 Ridgebury Hill Road, Slate Hill, New York, on July 22, 2021, at 6:00 P.M., at which time all persons interested therein shall be heard.

The Town of Wawayanda will make every effort to assure that the hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or reasonable accommodations should contact the Town Clerk.

Dated: July 14, 2021

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE
TOWN OF WAWAYANDA

KATHRYN A. SHERLOCK, TOWN CLERK

**TOWN OF WAWAYANDA
INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW
OPT-OUT OF ALLOWING ON-SITE CANNABIS CONSUMPTION
ESTABLISHMENTS**

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of Wawayanda, County of Orange, New York, as follows:

Section 1. Legislative intent and authority.

The intent of this local law is to opt the Town of Wawayanda out of the state statute that would otherwise allow on-site cannabis consumption establishments within the Town. The Town Board does not intend to exclude cannabis retail dispensaries from the Town, as the Board believes retail dispensaries can be adequately regulated to ensure the continued health, safety, and wellbeing of residents of and visitors to the Town of Wawayanda. This local law is enacted pursuant to Section 131 of the NYS Marijuana Regulation and Taxation Act, which expressly authorizes towns to opt-out of the state's authorization to allow on-site cannabis consumption establishments to locate and operate within their boundaries, and the state Municipal Home Rule Law.

Section 2. Opt-out.

The Town Board of the Town of Wawayanda, County of Orange, hereby opts-out of licensing and establishing cannabis on-site consumption establishments in the Town. Such establishments shall not be permitted in the Town of Wawayanda.

Section 3. Severability.

If a court of competent jurisdiction determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court's order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 4. This local law is subject to permissive referendum.

Section 5. Effective date.

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.