

Town of Halcott

Local Law No. 3 of the year 2003

A local law to set standards for the adoption of new roads in the Town of Halcott.

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Halcott
as follows:

GENERAL

1. The Town of Halcott, herein referred to as the Town, has adopted these standards for construction of new roadways to be dedicated as part of the Town road system.
2. All roadways to be taken over by the Town shall be certified they are in compliance with these standards by a Professional Engineer licensed to practice in New York State, herein referred to as the Project Engineer.
3. Before the roadway is taken over by the Town, a set of as-built plans approved by the Project Engineer shall be submitted to the Town Clerk and the Town Highway Superintendent. **The Town may waive this requirement where it deems appropriate.** Approval by the Highway Superintendent that the project meets the standards shall be required prior to acceptance by the Town board. Both the Highway Superintendent and the Town board must accept the roadway before it is accepted as part of the Town road system. The Town reserves the right to not accept a roadway, notwithstanding that all portions of these standards have been met.
4. All applications for the dedication of a roadway shall be accompanied by a proposed warranty deed conveying said highway to the Town, with all necessary releases from mortgages or other claimants. **The Town may also request title insurance of up to \$5,000 with the Town as the beneficiary.** All deeds and plans must meet requirements for filing with the County Clerk.
5. For a subdivision, the plans must be submitted prior to start of construction. A construction plan showing erosion control and other pertinent information must be supplied for subdivisions.
6. As a minimum, the plans for the roadway shall provide the following:
 - a. Design criteria used,
 - b. The names of all the streets approved by County 911 Coordinator,
 - c. Location and alignment survey performed by a licensed surveyor that includes:
 - d. Original and finished grades
 - e. The layout and locations of all roads and streets and their metes and bounds,
 - f. The location of any property lines and their metes and bounds,
 - g. The location of the Town's right-of-way,
 - h. The location of any other rights-of-way and easements including a statement of their allowable uses,
 - i. The location of all drainage structures,

- j. The location of any utilities in the right-of-way,
 - k. The names of adjacent property owners to the roadway,
 - l. A maintenance plan for the roadway,
 - m. Location of all signs and traffic control devices, and
 - n. A cross section of a typical tangent section.
7. Clarification or exceptions to these standards shall be approved, in advance, by the Town Highway Superintendent in writing. Oral responses by the Town Highway Superintendent will not be considered as approved.

DESIGN and CONSTRUCTION

1. The roadway shall be certified to meet the requirements of the:
 - a. *Manual: Guidelines for Rural Town and County Roads*, Local Roads Research and Coordination Council, December 1992; and
 - b. *Guidelines for Geometric Design of Very Low-Volume Local Roads*, AASHTO, 2001.
2. The requirements listed in these specifications are for low volume roads and streets with a maximum Average Daily Traffic (ADT) of 400 vehicles per day.
 - a. Any roadway that does not meet the definition of a low volume roadway will require standards that are more stringent than those defined in these specifications. In such a case, the entire design must be approved before construction.
 - b. Where a conflict exists between the two publications, the *Manual: Guidelines for Rural Town and County Roads* shall govern.
 - c. All design criteria shall be listed on the roadway plans and any criteria not listed in the two publications listed above shall be determined using current engineering practice.
 - d. The plans shall designate the source of any design assumptions.
3. In addition, as a minimum, the road shall meet the following criteria:
 - a. A design life of not less than 15 years with routine maintenance,
 - b. A right-of-way of not less than 60 feet
 - c. Drainage facilities designed to handle a 50 year storm under the roadway and 25 year storm on all other facilities; the minimum size opening of any pipe is 15 inches in diameter or equivalent,
 - d. The combined thickness of the base and the surface courses shall be at least 18 inches thick;
 - e. A minimum design speed of 30 mph.
4. Definitions of design criteria:
 - a. Design life: the time in years from original construction until the present serviceability index has dropped to 2.0.
 - b. Present serviceability index – p (also known as the terminal serviceability index –p): the ability of a roadway to handle traffic as defined by the AASHO (American Association of State Highway Officials – the precursor to AASHTO) road test performed in the 1950's.
 - c. A right-of-way: the width of land owned or controlled by a highway agency for the purpose of maintaining or constructing roads and streets.

- d. A 25 year storm life: a runoff event with a probability of occurring in a given year equal to the inverse of the value of the year. A 50-year storm would have a 1 in 50 (2%) chance of occurring in a given year.
 - e. A 15" diameter equivalent opening: an area of 176 inches square.
 - f. Design speed: the typical operating speed on a roadway. Also, the speed used in the geometric design of a roadway controlled by terrain, traffic volume, and roadway classification.
5. All materials and all work shall meet the requirements of the latest revision of the *New York State Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Construction and Materials*, including any Engineering Instructions or Bulletins, unless alternatives are approved by the Town Highway Superintendent, in writing, in advance.

BE IT ENACTED this 25th day of August 2003 by the Town Board of the Town of Halcott, Greene County, New York.



(Seal)

Timothy J. Hester Aye/Nay

Patricia A. Kelder Aye/Nay

Mr. B. Smith Aye/Nay

Wendell Aye/Nay

James Kasang Aye/Nay

ATTEST:

Robert VanValkenburgh
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Town Clerk

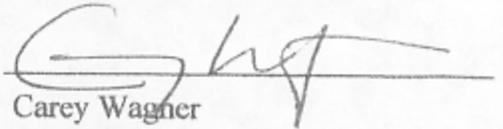
I hereby certify that the local law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. 3 of 2003 of the Town of Halcott was duly passed by the Town Board on August 25th, 2003, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

(Certification to be executed by County Attorney, Corporation Counsel, Town Attorney, Village Attorney or other authorized attorney of locality.)

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF DELAWARE

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing local law contains the correct text and that all proper proceedings have been had or taken for the enactment of the local law annexed hereto.



Carey Wagner
Attorney for Town of Halcott
Date: October 2, 2003



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GEORGE E. PATAKI
GOVERNOR

October 20, 2003

RANDY A. DANIELS
SECRETARY OF STATE

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RE: Town of Halcott, Local Law 3, 2003, filed on 10/07/2003

To Whom It May Concern:

The above referenced material was received and filed by this office as indicated. Additional local law filing forms will be forwarded upon request.

Sincerely,
Linda Lasch
Principal Clerk
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LL:cb