

**Public Hearing Notice**  
**Village of Sleepy Hollow**

Please take notice that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sleepy Hollow has called for a Public Hearing (continued) on Tuesday, March 10 , 2026, at 7:00 pm or soon thereafter, in Village Hall, 28 Beekman Avenue, Sleepy Hollow, New York, to hear and consider comments from members of the public on the proposed Local Law entitled: ***“AMENDING THE SLEEPY HOLLOW CODE SECTION 272-5, PERMITTED NOISES, TO PROVIDE A COMPLETE BAN ON GAS-POWERED LEAF BLOWERS”*** and

Please take further notice, that written comments/emails can be sent in advance to the Village Clerk at [pmccarthy@sleepyhollowny.gov](mailto:pmccarthy@sleepyhollowny.gov) or mailed to the Clerk’s Office at 28 Beekman Ave, Sleepy Hollow NY. Also take notice that this public hearing meeting may be seen/watched on the Village of Sleepy Hollow’s local TV channels, (Verizon-43, Optimum – 78) and on the Village’s website at [www.sleepyhollowny.gov](http://www.sleepyhollowny.gov) (Watch Board Meetings Link)

All persons are entitled to attend and be heard at said hearing. Village Hall is accessible to all disabled persons.

By Order of the Board of Trustees:  
Paula A. McCarthy  
Village Clerk  
Dated: January 13, 2026

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Local Law No. \_\_\_\_ of 2026

**LOCAL LAW XXX AMENDING THE SLEEPY HOLLOW CODE  
SECTION 272-5, PERMITTED NOISES, TO PROVIDE A COMPLETE  
BAN ON GAS-POWERED LEAF BLOWERS**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Sleepy Hollow, New York, as follows:

**Section 1.** Chapter 272, Section 5, of the Code of the Village of Sleepy Hollow entitled "Permitted Noises" is revised as follows:

§272-5 Permitted Noises.

The following shall be permitted noises:

A. Sound created by persons engaged in construction work between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. weekdays, and on Saturdays and holidays, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Sounds created by persons engaged in construction work between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. weekdays and between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. on Saturdays and holidays may be permitted by the Department of Architecture, Land Use Development, Buildings and Building Compliance in the case of work to repair, maintain, demolish, or replace property owned or to be owned by the Village or another public corporation. Sounds created by persons engaged in construction work on Sundays may be permitted by the Police Department and Department of Architecture, Land Use Development, Buildings and Building Compliance if the work is of an emergency nature. In the case of any permission given by the Police Department or the Department of Architecture, Land Use Development, Buildings and Building Compliance, a permitting department may impose such conditions regarding noise, lighting, traffic control, hours of work, staging, and any other aspect of the work as may be reasonable and appropriate to mitigate any annoyance, disturbance, injury, or danger to the comfort, repose, health, peace, or safety of a reasonable person of normal sensibilities that may be threatened or caused by the work.

B. Sound created by any government agency by the use of public warning devices.

C. Sound created by lawn mowers, rakers, or leaf vacuums in use between the hours of 8:00 a.m. prevailing time and 9:00 p.m. weekdays, 9:00 a.m. prevailing time and 8:00 p.m. on Saturdays and holidays, and 12:00 noon prevailing time and 6:00 p.m. on Sundays.

D. Sound created by public utilities in carrying out the operations of their franchise.

E. Sounds connected with sporting events of any public or private school.

F. Until 11 year after law passage date, sound created by gas-powered leaf blowers, from October 1 of each year through the Friday commencing Memorial Day weekend of the following year between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; 9:00 a.m. and 3:00

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p.m., Saturdays and holidays; and 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m., Sundays, prevailing time, effective October 1, 2010. No person shall operate an internal combustion leaf blower after [1 year after law passage date]. Effective [date of law passage] sound created by electric leaf blowers between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Saturdays and holidays, and 12:00 noon and 2:00 p.m., Sundays, prevailing time.

[1] On properties of 50 acres or more, gas-powered turbine debris blowers with four-stroke engines may be used subject to the provisions of subsection (F) above and the following conditions:

- a. Said property is primarily used for recreation.
- b. The property consists of primarily pervious surfaces.
- c. The use of the blower will be restricted to pervious areas.

Under no circumstances will the use of a backpack or handheld internal combustion leaf blower be permitted on these properties.

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**§272-6 Penalties for Offenses.**

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine not to exceed \$250, 15 days' imprisonment, or both. Each day that a violation shall continue shall constitute a separate offense.

**Section 2.** Except as otherwise provided herein, all other provisions of the Sleepy Hollow Code shall remain unchanged and in effect.

**Section 3.** This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State and shall be published, posted and distributed by the Village Clerk as required by applicable law.

**Agency Use Only (If applicable)**

Project:	Leaf blower legislation
Date:	1-9-28

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**Short Environmental Assessment Form  
Part 2 - Impact Assessment**

**Part 2 is to be completed by the Lead Agency.**

Answer all of the following questions in Part 2 using the information contained in Part 1 and other materials submitted by the project sponsor or otherwise available to the reviewer. When answering the questions the reviewer should be guided by the concept "Have my responses been reasonable considering the scale and context of the proposed action?"

	No, or small impact may occur	Moderate to large impact may occur
1. Will the proposed action create a material conflict with an adopted land use plan or zoning regulations?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Will the proposed action result in a change in the use or intensity of use of land?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of the existing community?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Will the proposed action have an impact on the environmental characteristics that caused the establishment of a Critical Environmental Area (CEA)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change in the existing level of traffic or affect existing infrastructure for mass transit, biking or walkway?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Will the proposed action cause an increase in the use of energy and it fails to incorporate reasonably available energy conservation or renewable energy opportunities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Will the proposed action impact existing:		
a. public / private water supplies?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. public / private wastewater treatment utilities?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Will the proposed action impair the character or quality of important historic, archaeological, architectural or aesthetic resources?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Will the proposed action result in an adverse change to natural resources (e.g., wetlands, waterbodies, groundwater, air quality, flora and fauna)?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Will the proposed action result in an increase in the potential for erosion, flooding or drainage problems?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Will the proposed action create a hazard to environmental resources or human health?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Agency Use Only [If applicable]

Project:	leaf blower legislation
Date:	1-9-26

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### Short Environmental Assessment Form Part 3 Determination of Significance

For every question in Part 2 that was answered "moderate to large impact may occur", or if there is a need to explain why a particular element of the proposed action may or will not result in a significant adverse environmental impact, please complete Part 3. Part 3 should, in sufficient detail, identify the impact, including any measures or design elements that have been included by the project sponsor to avoid or reduce impacts. Part 3 should also explain how the lead agency determined that the impact may or will not be significant. Each potential impact should be assessed considering its setting, probability of occurring, duration, irreversibility, geographic scope and magnitude. Also consider the potential for short-term, long-term and cumulative impacts.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action may result in one or more potentially large or significant adverse impacts and an environmental impact statement is required.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Check this box if you have determined, based on the information and analysis above, and any supporting documentation, that the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.
<u>Village of Steepy Hollow Board of Trustees</u>	<u>1-9-26</u>
Name of Lead Agency	Date
<u>Marjorie Hsu</u>	<u>Mayor</u>
Print or Type Name of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Responsible Officer
<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
Signature of Responsible Officer in Lead Agency	Signature of Preparer (if different from Responsible Officer)

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# Short Environmental Assessment Form

## Part 1 - Project Information

### Instructions for Completing

**Part 1 - Project Information.** The applicant or project sponsor is responsible for the completion of Part 1. Responses become part of the application for approval or funding, are subject to public review, and may be subject to further verification. Complete Part 1 based on information currently available. If additional research or investigation would be needed to fully respond to any item, please answer as thoroughly as possible based on current information.

Complete all items in Part 1. You may also provide any additional information which you believe will be needed by or useful to the lead agency; attach additional pages as necessary to supplement any item.

<b>Part 1 - Project and Sponsor Information</b>				
Name of Action or Project:				
Project Location (describe, and attach a location map):				
Brief Description of Proposed Action:				
Name of Applicant or Sponsor:		Telephone:		
		E-Mail:		
Address:				
City/PO:		State:	Zip Code:	
1. Does the proposed action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative rule, or regulation? If Yes, attach a narrative description of the intent of the proposed action and the environmental resources that may be affected in the municipality and proceed to Part 2. If no, continue to question 2.			NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Does the proposed action require a permit, approval or funding from any other government Agency? If Yes, list agency(s) name and permit or approval:			NO <input type="checkbox"/>	YES <input type="checkbox"/>
3. a. Total acreage of the site of the proposed action?		_____	acres	
b. Total acreage to be physically disturbed?		_____	acres	
c. Total acreage (project site and any contiguous properties) owned or controlled by the applicant or project sponsor?		_____	acres	
4. Check all land uses that occur on, are adjoining or near the proposed action:				
5. <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Rural (non-agriculture) <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Residential (suburban)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic <input type="checkbox"/> Other(Specify):				
<input type="checkbox"/> Parkland				

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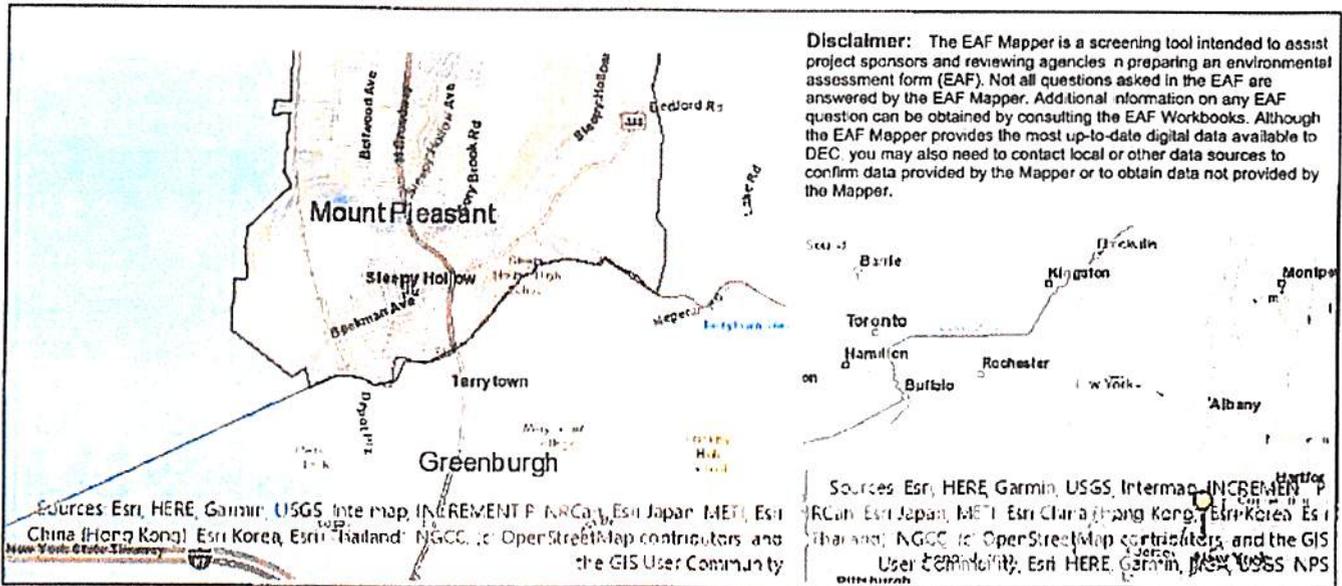
5. Is the proposed action,	NO	YES	N/A
a. A permitted use under the zoning regulations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. Consistent with the adopted comprehensive plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is the proposed action consistent with the predominant character of the existing built or natural landscape?	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7. Is the site of the proposed action located in, or does it adjoin, a state listed Critical Environmental Area? Name:Hudson River, Name:Tarrytown Lakes Reservoir, Name:County & State Park Lands, Name:Tarrytown If Yes, identify: Lakes Watershed Area, Reason:Exceptional or unique character, Reason:Protect water resources, Agency:Westchester County...	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8. a. Will the proposed action result in a substantial increase in traffic above present levels?	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
b. Are public transportation services available at or near the site of the proposed action?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
c. Are any pedestrian accommodations or bicycle routes available on or near the site of the proposed action?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9. Does the proposed action meet or exceed the state energy code requirements? If the proposed action will exceed requirements, describe design features and technologies:	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10. Will the proposed action connect to an existing public/private water supply? If No, describe method for providing potable water: _____	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
11. Will the proposed action connect to existing wastewater utilities? If No, describe method for providing wastewater treatment: _____	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
12. a. Does the project site contain, or is it substantially contiguous to, a building, archaeological site, or district which is listed on the National or State Register of Historic Places, or that has been determined by the Commissioner of the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to be eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places?	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b. Is the project site, or any portion of it, located in or adjacent to an area designated as sensitive for archaeological sites on the NY State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) archaeological site inventory?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13. a. Does any portion of the site of the proposed action, or lands adjoining the proposed action, contain wetlands or other waterbodies regulated by a federal, state or local agency?	NO	YES	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
b. Would the proposed action physically alter, or encroach into, any existing wetland or waterbody? If Yes, identify the wetland or waterbody and extent of alterations in square feet or acres: _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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<b>14. Identify the typical habitat types that occur on, or are likely to be found on the project site. Check all that apply:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Shoreline <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural/grasslands <input type="checkbox"/> Early mid-successional <input type="checkbox"/> Wetland <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Suburban		
<b>15. Does the site of the proposed action contain any species of animal, or associated habitats, listed by the State or Federal government as threatened or endangered?</b> Atlantic Sturgeon, Shortnos...	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>16. Is the project site located in the 100-year flood plan?</b>	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>17. Will the proposed action create storm water discharge, either from point or non-point sources?</b> If Yes, a. Will storm water discharges flow to adjacent properties? b. Will storm water discharges be directed to established conveyance systems (runoff and storm drains)? If Yes, briefly describe:	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>18. Does the proposed action include construction or other activities that would result in the impoundment of water or other liquids (e.g., retention pond, waste lagoon, dam)?</b> If Yes, explain the purpose and size of the impoundment:	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>19. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the location of an active or closed solid waste management facility?</b> If Yes, describe:	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>20. Has the site of the proposed action or an adjoining property been the subject of remediation (ongoing or completed) for hazardous waste?</b> If Yes, describe:	NO	YES
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION PROVIDED ABOVE IS TRUE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE</b>  Applicant/sponsor/name: _____ Date: _____  Signature: _____ Title: _____		

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Part 1 / Question 7 [Critical Environmental Area]	Yes
Part 1 / Question 7 [Critical Environmental Area - Identify]	Name:Hudson River, Name:Tarrytown Lakes Reservoir, Name:County & State Park Lands, Name:Tarrytown Lakes Watershed Area, Reason:Exceptional or unique character, Reason:Protect water resources, Agency:Westchester County, Agency:Tarrytown, Village of, Date:1-31-90, Date:11-30-83
Part 1 / Question 12a [National or State Register of Historic Places or State Eligible Sites]	Yes
Part 1 / Question 12b [Archeological Sites]	Yes
Part 1 / Question 13a [Wetlands or Other Regulated Waterbodies]	Yes - Digital mapping information on local, New York State, and federal wetlands and waterbodies is known to be incomplete. Refer to the EAF Workbook.
Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal]	Yes
Part 1 / Question 15 [Threatened or Endangered Animal - Name]	Atlantic Sturgeon, Shortnose Sturgeon
Part 1 / Question 16 [100 Year Flood Plain]	Yes
Part 1 / Question 20 [Remediation Site]	Yes