

Memorandum

Date: January 19, 2022

To: Town Board

From: Ray Burger, Planning Director

Subject: Planning Department Update

Application materials and other documents for some of the items below can be found at:

<http://dryden.ny.us/>

Send public comments to planning@dryden.ny.us with project address in the subject line.

Planning Department Offices open for window service: For the safety of all Town residents, the Planning Department will conduct business through a walk up window at Town Hall. Applications, complaints and inquiries are also accepted via email (planning@dryden.ny.us), phone and mail.

Comprehensive Plan Update progress: A draft of the comp plan update has been reviewed by the Town’s advisory boards and committees. The Planning Board is now reviewing those comments and preparing a public review draft. This will be circulated to the general public next month and the Planning Board will hold a public hearing. For information on all aspects of this project please visit the project website at Dryden2045.org where you can also sign up for updates or enter your comments.

Tompkins County Hazard Mitigation Plan: In partnership with all the municipalities in Tompkins County, the County has updated the *Tompkins County Hazard Mitigation Plan* (last done in 2014). After assessing the risk and vulnerability to the impacts of hazards, this plan then develops a strategy to mitigate these risks. A final draft of the 2021 update is posted on the County website at:

<https://www2.tompkinscountyny.gov/planning/climate-adaptation>

The Town Board will consider adoption of this plan update at its January 20 meeting. This plan was approved by FEMA and this will assist municipalities with eligibility for federal mitigation funding.

Drinking Water Source Protection Program Plan: A plan for Dryden was drafted by the New York Rural Water Association and was reviewed by various Town advisory boards. A final plan was presented to the Town Board in September and is now being considered for adoption at the January 20 Town Board meeting.

Zoning Board of Appeals to hear two cases: Two hearings will be held on February 1 before the Zoning Board of Appeals. One case involves an application for an area variance for an accessory structure to be within the required 50 foot front yard setback. The other is for an area variance for an accessory structure within the required 25 foot rear yard setback.

Planning Department activity for TOWN for December	Totals 2021
Building permits: 6	199
Zoning permits: 1	66
Special Use Permit Reviews: 1	10
Site Plan Reviews: 0	4
Variance reviews: 0	6
New businesses: 0	1
Fire safety inspections: 2	13
Building inspections: 17	247
Certificates of Occupancy/Compliance: 7	49
Subdivisions: 2	15
Violation notices: 1	12
Complaints: 3	59
Fire calls: 1	9
Training hours: 26	182.5
Planning Department activity for VILLAGE for December	
Building permits: 3	52
Zoning permits: 1	13
Special Use Permit reviews: 0	3
Site Plan Reviews: 0	6
Variance reviews: 0	3
New businesses: 0	2
Fire safety inspections: 2	31
Building inspections: 3	23
Certificates of Occupancy/Compliance: 0	1
Subdivisions: 0	1
Violation notices: 0	19
Complaints: 2	51
Fire calls: 0	1