

AGENDA – PUBLIC HEARING
VILLAGE OF NORWOOD
August 20, 2024 – 5:20 p.m.

RE: To receive public comments regarding
keeping of farm animals and fowl

1. OPEN THE MEETING

2. TAKE ROLL CALL: Mayor Mark Tebo
Trustee Mike diVencenzo
Trustee Robin Fetter
Trustee Lisa Levison
Trustee Matt Tebo

3. READ LEGAL NOTICE AS PUBLISHED: NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN THAT A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF NORWOOD, NY, ON JULY 16, 2024 AT 5 PM AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING IN NORWOOD, NY. THE PURPOSE OF THE HEARING IS TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING CHAPTER 55 ANIMALS, ARTICLE II, KEEPING OF FARM ANIMALS AND FOWL, SUBSECTION 55- 10-16 CHANGES.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

5. CLOSE THE HEARING:

Chapter 55. Animals

Article II

Keeping of Farm Animals and Fowl

[Adopted 12-19-2006 by L.L. No. 1-2006]

§ 55-10 Purpose.

The purpose of this article is to protect the residents of the Village of Norwood from nuisance by animals usually known as "farm animals" or "fowl."

§ 55-11 Definitions.

As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

FARM ANIMALS or FOWL

Cows, cattle, horses, ponies, donkeys, mules, pigs, goats, sheep, ~~chickens~~, ducks, geese, or other animals or fowl usually known as "farm animals" or "fowl," but not solely limited to the aforementioned, and not including common household pets.

PERSON

An individual, firm, partnership, limited association, corporation, voluntary association and/or other legal entity.

PREMISES

Any privately owned house, garage, barn building or structure, or grounds thereof, of any kind or nature.

§ 55-12 Location restrictions.

No person shall keep, shelter or own any farm animal or fowl within the Village of Norwood limits on those premises that are not designated as farm zones by local law or otherwise permitted hereunder.

Chickens are allowed with Permit per § 55-13 below, in R1 and R2 Zones. Chickens are not permitted in CI and CC Zones.

§ 55-13 Permitting.

Persons who wish to have chickens within R1 and R2 Zones must register and receive a permit from the Village's Code Enforcement Officer. A site plan must be provided to the Code Enforcement Officer for the containment area.

§ 55-14 Number of Chickens Allowed per Property.

Residents in R1 and R2 Zones are allowed to have a maximum of eight hens for non-commercial purposes per property. No roosters are allowed.

§ 55-15 Food, water and shelter to be provided.

Chickens must be provided with adequate food, water and shelter at all times. Chickens must be contained in fenced in areas and provided with a coop. Fenced in areas and coops cannot be located in a property's front yard. Free range chickens are not allowed.

§ 55-163 Penalties for offenses.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this article shall, upon conviction thereof, be punishable by a fine of not more than \$250 ~~or by imprisonment for not more than 15 days, or both such fine and imprisonment.~~