

**Town of Ancram  
Town Board  
Public Hearing Local Law #2 of 2021**

**Present:** Supervisor Arthur Bassin                      Councilman Hugh Clark  
                 Councilwoman Madeline Israel              Councilwoman Bonnie Hundt  
                 Town Clerk Monica Cleveland  
                 Highway Superintendent James Miller

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Supervisor Arthur Bassin called the public hearing on Local Law #2 of 2021: A local law to opt out of allowing on-site consumption sites as authorized under Cannabis Law Article 4, to order.

Mr. Bassin asked if there were any questions or comments from the Board Members.

Councilwoman Hundt asked if this law meant that the town is just opting out of lounges not sales. Mr. Bassin answered that this was correct, the law opts the town out of consumption sites, or in another term, lounges.

Mr. Mike Citrin commented that he felt that lounges would not add any positives to the town only negatives and that by not opting out of lounges would go against the long term plan for the town.

Liz Delmurfy asked if the town is only opting out of lounges and if there was the possibility of the town opting out of dispensaries as well. Mr. Bassin explained that the town has not been inclined to opt out of sales just yet. He noted that if the town opts out of sales, there is the concern that the town would not benefit from possible sales tax on the product. Mr. Bassin explained that the state will be issuing a limited number of licenses for dispensaries and the town board does not expect, given the size of Ancram, that it is likely to see a dispensary set up.

There being no more comment or questions, a motion was made by Councilwoman Israel and seconded by Councilman Clark to close the public hearing. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Monica R. Cleveland  
Ancram Town Clerk