

Addendum 5- To explain article 3, section 3000, paragraph B.**A RESOLUTION****To preserve Greenspace in the Town of Sheldon**

The Town of Sheldon has a long proud history in the Agricultural Industry. This industry has supplied economic security to its residents for the Two Hundred (200) years of its history.

The town is located in the County of Wyoming, State of New York. In 2007 Wyoming County was ranked first in the state and twentieth in the nation in the production of dairy.

The Agriculture Industry, in all its various aspects, requires large tracts of land, Partnered with the Right to Farm Law and the Wyoming County Comprehensive Plan of 2001 (Target Tomorrow), in an effort to promote and secure the Agricultural Industry in the Town of Sheldon, we the Town Board of Sheldon, set forth a resolution limiting the amount of new residential house permits to a maximum of Ten (10) per year.

As seen in the chart below, limiting new house permits to a maximum of ten (10) per year, is not impeding the growth of the town, but will insure it remains at the constant rate of growth it has seen over the last Thirty-Three (33) years.

New Buildings per Year

					1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
					13	12	13	13	5
1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
6	4	9	5	11	7	8	5	10	3
1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
5	13	11	9	11	14	8	7	7	7
2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007		
6	5	6	5	7	7	2	4		

- Most in one year – 14 in 1995
- Least in one year – 2 in 2006

- Average for 33 years – 8.2

Building permits issued due to the loss of a residence from fire, flood or other disaster are **not** to be included in the calculation of, maximum of new housing permits of Ten (10) per year.

Calendar year for this local law is from January 1 to December 31.

Variances to this local law may be issued on a case-by-case discretion of the Zoning Board of Appeals.