## **Public Notice**

## Intent to File an Application with USDA, Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service

The Town of Thompson intends to file an application for funding consideration with the USDA, Rural Development.

The Melody Lake Community (the Community) is located off of Melody Lake Drive at the intersection with Rose Valley Road in the Town of Thompson (the Town), Sullivan County, New York. The Communities existing well house and water distribution system are over 40 years old, aging and well beyond their usable life. The Community has two existing ground water supply wells, but currently only one well is operational. The existing water distribution system consists of a network of interconnected small diameter galvanized and poly-ethylene pipes. Due to the age of the existing system, there are a number of issues including problems with aging equipment and a substantial number of leaks. These poor conditions have resulted in unsatisfactory flows and pressure throughout the distribution system.

In general, the District is bounded by Cherry Lane and the houses adjoining Cherry Lane on the North, the Town of Forestburgh/Town of Thompson town line on the South, Rose Valley Road on the East and Melody Lake on the West. Currently, the service area includes 62 residential dwelling units and 23 undeveloped lots. A water district boundary map has been enclosed for reference as Attachment 'G'.

Improvements to the water system are necessary in order to: 1) develop a reliable and consistently water source, 2) provide safe potable water, 3) maintain acceptable pressures throughout the service area. Pursuant to a request by the Town of Thompson Town Board, our office has prepared this report to outline the proposed improvements to the existing system and provide a plan for construction of a new water treatment facility in the vicinity of Well No. 1. The cost estimate to perform the required work is \$1,102,000.00. The Town of Thompson is currently applying to the USDA for grant(s) and loan(s) to cover the full cost of the project.

Dated: August 21, 2020 Marilee J. Calhoun Town Clerk Town of Thompson