Please note, although the Village Clerk is the Chief Election Officer, it is NOT the Clerk's responsibility to answer questions from, or give advice to, individuals running for office.

Individuals/Candidates should consult their own attorney & visit the NYS Board of Elections website:

NYS Board of Elections: http://www.elections.ny.gov/RunningOffice.html

To review the NYCOM Annual Village Elections Calendar of Dates, including the March 18, 2025 Village General Election, please visit:

https://www.nycom.org/images/documents/handbooks/2025 Calendar of Dates.pdf

Independent Nominating Petitions, and other required filing documents, are available using the links below or at the Village of Warwick Clerk's Office, located at 77 Main Street, Warwick, NY. These forms are also available on the NYS Board of Elections & Orange County Board of Elections websites.

# **Independent Nominating Petition:**

https://elections.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2023/11/samplevillageindependentpetition2 017.pdf

## **Cover Page:**

https://elections.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2023/11/coversheetdesignatingindependentcombined.pdf

## **Certificate of Acceptance:**

https://elections.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2023/11/sample-certificate-of-acceptance-6-146.pdf

### **Certificate of Declination:**

https://elections.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2023/11/sample-certificate-of-declination.pdf

## Filing Campaign Receipts:

https://elections.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2023/08/cf05.pdf

- An independent nominating petition may be signed by Village Residents, who are
  registered to vote provided that the signer has not signed a petition for anyone else
  running for that particular office. The signer may not sign any more petitions
  designating a greater number of candidates for public office or party position than the
  number of persons to be elected at that election.
- Independent Party Names:
  - Candidates must choose a name for the independent body making the nomination or circulating the designating petition. CANNOT Use:

- Any existing party name
- American, United States, New York State, Empire State, Independent or Independence.
- Cannot create confusion with other names
- In accordance with the Orange County Board of Elections, Independent Party Names cannot be longer than 15 spaces.
- The first to file may use the selected name. Exception: Established Independent Body and would cause confusion among voters.
- Emblems are no longer allowed on ballots.
- In villages with populations of 5,000 or more, at least 100 registered voters must sign the independent nominating petition.
- All filings must be submitted to the Village of Warwick, Clerk's Office, 77 Main Street,
   P.O. Box 369, Warwick NY 10990.