

March 13, 2018

Schultzville, NY

A public hearing on **proposed LL XX of 2018, Prohibition on Elected Municipal Officers Holding Paid Positions with the Town** was held on this day in the Town Hall. Present were Supervisor Oberly, Councilmen Dean Michael, Eliot Werner, Michael Whitton, Nancy Cunningham and Town Clerk Carol-Jean Mackin. There were four people in the audience.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

At 6:20 PM, Supervisor Oberly called the public hearing to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**LEGAL NOTICE** – Town Clerk read aloud the legal notice.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Supervisor Oberly said this is a public hearing concerning the adoption of the proposed LL, Prohibition on Elected Municipal Officers Holding Paid Positions with the Town. He opened the floor for comments.

Russ Tompkins – against the law, we don't need it. One person can be good for two jobs, especially if the jobs are both part time positions. There is too much effort to enact new laws, we need to return to the daily business of the Town.

Denise Biery – Tax Collector, there is no benefit to the Town with this law. The waiver makes it not necessary. We have multiple positions in Town that fall under the elected/appointed category and all will need the waiver to continue in their two positions. You should not pick and choose positions to waive, if you waive one you should waive all.

Bernadette Duquette - human resources background; concerned with the waiver portion. She understands the principle to disallow one person have multiple positions as we do not want to promote nepotism.

Councilwoman Cunningham said the overriding motivation for the waiver is in case, midyear, someone leaves so we could appointment someone out of need.

Scott Duquette – asks how jobs are advertised to the public. We need to make sure jobs are open to all in the community not just passed on to an existing employee.

At 6:27 PM, there being no further comments, the Supervisor called the public hearing to a close.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:27 PM, MM Supervisor Oberly, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Michael to adjourn the meeting. All aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol-Jean Mackin,  
Town Clerk