A CONTINUED public hearing the **proposed Local Law 2 of 2019 solar and wind energy systems** was held on this day in the Town Hall. Present were Supervisor Oberly, Councilmen Eliot Werner, Michael Whitton, Nancy Cunningham, Dean Michael and Town Clerk Carol-Jean Mackin. There were three people in the audience.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

At 6:15 PM, Supervisor Oberly called the public hearing to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Town Clerk Read the public hearing notice aloud.

Rich Morse - thanked the Board for the work it took to create the law. Talked about the need for better means of generating electricity or we will see more overhead lines in the future if we don't embrace new technology.

John Calogero – agrees with Rich Morse. Board should come up with a fair assessment process for a solar farm property if it is a commercial use. Would be great if the solar energy produced could stay local and not go into the larger grid. Eliot questioned if receiving a better assessment can be retroactive. Dean said in applying for a permit for a solar farm the owner has to agree to a payback pilot program. Ray said to talk to the assessor.

Judy Malstrom, Assessor's Clerk - no assessments are raised if a homeowner has solar.

At 6:26 PM, There being no further comments, MM Supervisor Oberly, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Michael to close the public hearing. All aye. Motion carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

At 6:26 PM, MM Supervisor Oberly, 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilman Michael to adjourn the public hearing. All aye. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol-Jean Mackin,

Town Clerk