

October 13, 2020

Schultzville, NY

A public hearing on proposed local law 1 of 2020 a law to override the tax cap was held on October 13, 2020 via teleconference using Zoom with a You Tube livestream to the public. This is due to the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), Emergency State and Federal bans on large meetings or gatherings, and pursuant to Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1 issued on March 12, 2020 suspending the Open Meetings Law.

Audience participation is allowed. The meeting codes are available on the front page of the Town's website, townofclinton.com if you wish to make a comment at the public hearing on the tax cap override local law. Members of the public may view the Board meeting as it is livestreamed on Town Board Videos page of the Town of Clinton Website.

Supervisor Oberly called the public hearing to order at 6:15 PM. **NO PLEDGE/ NO FLAG PRESENT**

ATTENDANCE

Supervisor Oberly took attendance to establish a quorum:

Supervisor Oberly	here
Councilwoman Cunningham	here
Councilman Juliano	here
Councilman Dean Michael	here
Councilman Whitton	here
Town Clerk Mackin	here

The Town Clerk read the public hearing notice aloud.

Supervisor Oberly: The Town must pass this local law to Override the Town's Tax Cap and pass it before the adoption of the 2021 Town Budget. At this time, it is not certain we will be under the Town's calculated tax cap so we must have the local law in place if needed.

Supervisor Oberly opened the floor via ZOOM for comments:

Katerina – asked if this law is hedging the budget in case the Town needs to increase the budget. Dean Michael said yes as we just started reviewing the proposed budget so we don't know where the numbers will fall. Katherina asked if higher property values will offset an increase in taxes. Dean said that wouldn't get rid of need for law. She saw the budget on line and sees the tax rate is increasing from \$2.18 to \$2.24.

Tony – asked what monetary amount would make the budget be over the tax cap. Dean said about \$20,000 but we are still in workshops deciding on numbers. Ray talked about the budget workshops and how we derive at the budget numbers. Ray

said changes were already made to the budget at the highway workshop and he removed the library line from our budget so that will change the budget too.

At 6:27 PM, There being no further comments, MM Supervisor Oberly, 2nd Councilman Michael to close the public hearing.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Oberly AYE
Cunningham AYE
Juliano AYE
Dean Michael AYE
Whitton AYE

Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:28 PM, MM Supervisor Oberly, 2nd Councilman Michael to adjourn the public hearing.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Oberly AYE
Cunningham AYE
Juliano AYE
Dean Michael AYE
Whitton AYE

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Carol-Jean Mackin,
Town Clerk