

COUNTY OF GREENE
TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE
PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #3 OF 2009
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Supervisor Louis called the public hearing to order at 7:30 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Also attending: Councilwoman McKeon, Councilmen Kuenster, Norris, and Byas, Town Clerk Brooks, and 4 members of the public. Absent: Highway Superintendent Jordan and Tax Collector Stuart.

Supervisor stated that the purpose of this Local Law was to establish a new schedule of real property tax exemptions for persons sixty-five years of age or over and for persons with disabilities and limited incomes. There is a slight change in original draft distributed several weeks prior; Section 1 now includes the New York State legislative authority for the exemption. Raising the income threshold for the 50% tax exemption from \$18,000 to \$19,500 accommodates Town residents' Social Security benefits increase for 2009; at the top end of the income scale, \$26,899.99 has been increased to \$27,899.99. All the other provisions from 2008 are retained in the Local Law 3 for 2009.

Supervisor opened the floor for public comment. Hearing none, Councilwoman McKeon moved to close the public hearing, seconded by Councilman Norris.

Motion Carried **Ayes-5 McKeon, Kuenster, Louis, Norris, Byas**
 Nays-0

The public hearing was closed at 7:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Janet A. Brooks
Town Clerk