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TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING
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OPENING OF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:32 pm by Supervisor Susan O'Rorke and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance: Councilwoman Finke, Councilmen Byas, Meredith and Norris, Highway Superintendent Jordan, Town Clerk Brooks, and members of public who signed attendance sheet. Absent:

Jonathan Donald introduced teacher Mike Piedmont and student Zack Farr from Catskill High School, grateful for their willingness to perform this videotaping project. Three students will rotate through the project.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Norris moved and Supervisor seconded the approval of Minutes of **November 3, 2010 Public Hearing on the 2011 Town Budget** submitted by the Town Clerk. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

**ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE**

Adopted

Councilman Byas moved and Councilman Norris seconded the approval of Minutes of **December 13, 2010 Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law 1 of 2010, Dog Licensing** submitted by the Town Clerk. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

**ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE**

Adopted

For the Minutes of **December 13, 2010 Regular Town Board Meeting** submitted by the Town Clerk, Supervisor asked for correction. Page 11, Economic Development, paragraph 4, should read, "Supervisor volunteered as a member," in addition to Councilman Norris as liaison. With that, Councilman Norris moved and Councilman Byas seconded the approval. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

**ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE**

Adopted

PUBLIC COMMENT

Member of the public requested inclusion of meetings in Community Calendar.

Thanked members of the Board for giving their time, after the publicity of shootings over the weekend.

Diane Louis, regarding Planning Board appointments, asked the Board to consider reappointment of Planning Board Chair Lee Davis as the IDA project moves forward. If he is not reappointed, having considered his years of experience, qualifications, and willingness to serve, Board leaves an appearance of cronyism.

Planning Board Vice Chair Alta Turner thanks the Board for Zoning Board of Appeals Chair Meave Tooher's reappointment and asks for same for Planning Board Chair Lee Davis, who is familiar with the coming PDD.

Richard Guthrie stated he was a candidate for a Planning Board opening, echoed the request to reappoint Lee Davis to Chair, and respectfully stated if not Lee, would not like to serve, is not the place for on the job training, with future facing, provide expertise and leadership and qualifications.

John Wallner echoes comment of thanks for Board, knows it is not easy, tough issues before the Board, shared that he had a contentious time, not given money to do what he wanted, little support in beginning, wanted a line for Economic Development, town began to recognize value; promote the Town, work together to create environment.

Councilman Norris saw 8-10 inches forecast, will send out emails, to reschedule for next Monday.

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CORRESPONDENCE

From Association of Towns' Jeff Haber, an agenda for attending delegates to upcoming meeting.

From NY State and Local Retirement System, a reminder that terms renewing in 2011 are required to file a calendar, and the Town Board to pass a resolution.

OLD BUSINESS- none at this time

NEW BUSINESS

- Resolution to Pay Claims

**RESOLUTION
JANUARY 10, 2011**

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO PAY AUDITED CLAIMS

WHEREAS, the Town Clerk has presented claims to the Town Board for audit and review and,

WHEREAS, the Town Board has audited claims G2011/01 01-17; H2011/01 01-11; and S2011/01 01-05, for a total amount of \$9,247.65, it is

RESOLVED that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay claims totaling \$9,247.65.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk has prepared an abstract and holds it for public review until January 31, 2011.

Councilman Norris moved, seconded by Supervisor. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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| ROLL CALL VOTE: | BYAS-AYE | FINKE-AYE | MEREDITH-AYE |
| | NORRIS-AYE | O'RORKE-AYE | |

Adopted

- Presentation from the Bicentennial Committee

Several organizations will recognize and celebrate the Town's Bicentennial, including AgFest, New Baltimore Conservancy Wine and Cheese, and New Baltimore Reformed Church. The official half-hour Opening Ceremony is planned for March 13, 2011, 3pm; tents are planned, in the event of Barn Dance rain, but with hopes for fair weather. Ideas include tribute to past and present town supervisors, including Cliff Baldwin, honor guard, fife and drum corps, and involvement of local churches. It will conclude with an "Ode to New Baltimore", written by Dick Brooks, with many children participating in reenactment costume. A souvenir commemorative, a post office commemorative by Leigh Ann Smith, celebrating 200 years of community, and a banner is being discussed. Refreshments have a historic theme and include homemade root beer, an 1811 cookie, and snacks for children; warm refreshments also, in the event of colder weather. Helpers are needed. Committee is fundraising for teeshirt and sweatshirt, seeking \$250/sponsors to defray cost of clothing items which will be available for sale. Another Barn and Round Square Dance has been requested; committee is working on timing and dates. Please contact Supervisor O'Rorke in order to contact Joy Schoenig. Arlene McKeon suggested a signup sheet in the back of the meetingroom.

- Highway Purchase of Equipment

Supervisor said Highway Superintendent had presented two different possibilities for replacement; Councilman Meredith had come in to discuss.

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RESOLUTION

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF A 2011 INTERNATIONAL CAB and
CHASSIS MODEL 4300**

WHEREAS, the Town's 2003 Ford F550 is not meeting the required weight load needed for plowing and sanding the roads in the Hamlet of New Baltimore, and

WHEREAS, further investment in repairs does not seem economical given the under capacity of the Ford F550, and

WHEREAS, the Town Highway Superintendent has prepared specification for a new truck to meet the Town's current needs, and

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent has found a vehicle meeting those requirements on State Contract,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby find that it is in the general interest of the taxpayers of the Town of New Baltimore to purchase a new International Cab Chassis Model 4300 and hereby authorizes the purchase of said vehicle from Ben Funk, Inc. at a cost of \$75,592 per their proposal presented to the Town Board on December 13, 2010.

Supervisor moved, seconded by Councilman Norris. Regarding how to pay, Supervisor is currently working with accountant on the end of the year balances; Highway Fund Balance at end of 2010 appears to be \$68,000 as the Highway Superintendent has done a good job of keeping expenses in line with budget. The surplus equipment sale of the old vehicle may yield \$6-10,000 and a scheduled \$15,000 appropriation to Capital Reserve has not been made yet for 2010 and could be used toward this purchase.

This vehicle is used for the hamlet; there is no backup vehicle to salt the hamlet. The current vehicle cannot carry the load for which it was specified, requiring more trips, more time, and more fuel. When the F550 was purchased, it replaced a F350; find it is prudent to replace with a larger vehicle before a new transmission or other large repair is necessary. Councilman Norris said, as a cash purchase and no debt, he agrees; it is needed to plow the hamlet, low mileage at 56,000 miles, but based on discussion it is not handling its load.

Supervisor researched and since 1994 the Highway has had debt; if this could be paid for the Highway could finish 2011 without debt. This is on State Contract; Superintendent Jordan will build the dump body, pieces could be \$3,000, snowplow \$6-7,000, hydraulic could run \$2500. Councilwoman Finke asked where that money would come from; answer: those purchases would come from Equipment line.

Councilman Byas thought, at last meeting, the plans to buy this truck were abandoned due to the time needed to order and the need for the season, and that Superintendent Jordan was looking at a one-ton truck for himself; Superintendent Jordan said no one has one and it can be built for next year. Councilman Byas asked about the one-ton; Superintendent Jordan said that will wait til next year, this is a special order purchase, waiting to see how year will end without loan or bond and getting it now will allow build the box between snowstorms.

Councilman Norris asked for plans to use in summer, box and hydraulic will be built here, and would cost \$20,000 to do at factory.

Ellie Alfeld asked, early last year, surplus equipment went up to bid several times. If that is still sitting, take that for scrap and get funds. Supervisor said it is gone- having gone out to bid 3 times, got \$3,500, Highway Superintendent has the right to sell in a reasonable manner.

Councilman Byas asked what else disappeared; Supervisor said it appears as Sale of Equipment on monthly report to the Board. Councilman Byas wants to stretch through this year without borrowing, carry a lighter load in the meanwhile. Supervisor clarified that no borrowing is needed; we have the money in current budget. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-NAYE FINKE-NAYE MEREDITH-AYE
 NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE

Adopted

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Highway Superintendent Jordan thanked the Board; the truck will be orange.

- Appointment of Code Enforcement Officer

Councilman Norris said an advertisement was placed in paper, 3 applicants, spent 45-60 minutes with each, reviewed resumes, considered experience, distance, and people skills, difficult to replace John Cashin. The recommended candidate lives in the area. Attorney Wukitsch questioned when does he earn state certification? The Town will pay for that certification. John Cashin said 6 month process to earn certification, same as probationary period. Attorney Wukitsch recommends wording of completion of probationary period and certification, the pay will be increased. Councilman Byas said need to find the closest classes also. Supervisor said candidate has contractor experience, helpful with the 80+ open building permits.

**RESOLUTION
JANUARY 10, 2011**

RESOLUTION APPOINTING CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

RESOLVED, that Raymond Blaisdell is hereby appointed as a Code Enforcement Officer, effective immediately, at a wage of \$12.25 per hour, provided that said appointment shall be on a probationary basis until a six month satisfactory review is completed and upon that satisfactory review the pay will be increased to \$12.75 per hour and upon completion of NYS Certification the pay will be increased to \$13.25 per hour, with said term to expire on December 31, 2011.

Councilman Norris moved, with amendment, Supervisor seconded. Rich Guthrie asked if findings of the code enforcement officer are recognized before certification is complete; Supervisor believes probationary period would not have effect, Attorney Wukitsch said certain types must have certification within the year, for court appearances, John Cashin said Department of State requires certification within a year and will help as best he can. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

**ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
 NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE**

Adopted

Sitting in front row, Ray Blaisdell was introduced.

- Six Month Update from ZBA

Zoning Board of Appeals Chair Meave Tooher read.

TO: Town Board
FROM: Meave Tooher, Chair
RE: Zoning Board of Appeals Semi-Annual Report
For Period July 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010
1/4/2011

The ZBA is required by Town Board resolution to provide a semi-annual report to the Town Board on the positive and negative impacts of the Zoning and Subdivisions Regulations passed in 2008.

As the result of the Town Board's referral to the Zoning Board of Appeals of a decision of the Code Enforcement Officer interpreting the Code provisions as they apply to a motor cross track in the R/A district, a number of issues in the Code came to light. The ZBA met to discuss these issues and resolve the interpretation of the Code at the October and November 2010 Board Meetings. We would like to bring the following items to the attention of the Town Board:

- 1. The ZBA found it difficult to interpret the Use Table as it currently appears.*
- 2. The definition of "accessory use" is unclear and does not establish what would constitute ordinary use.*
- 3. The definition of "open space recreational" excludes motorized uses.*
- 4. It is unclear whether changing the contours of the property changes the use of the property.*

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5. *There was no method to consider whether the size of a parcel impacts the decision to allow a motor cross track.*
6. *There was no method to consider set back from neighbors for evaluating allowing a motor cross track.*
7. *There was no method for evaluating the numbers involved and the volume of the use in allowing a motor cross track.*

The ZBA decided it would pass a resolution regarding interpretation of the Use Table to offer guidance in interpretation of the Code in a manner that effectuates its purpose.

It was moved by Carlson and seconded by Van Etten that it is hereby the interpretation of the Zoning Board of Appeals that the Use Table captions of Residential Uses, Commercial Uses and Light Industrial Uses to be merely captions and not definitions to guide the use of the Table.

AYES: Tooher, Covey, Corrado, Carlson, Van Etten

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: None

This resolution was an effort by the ZBA to remove the confusion over those captions appearing to conflict with the various zone definitions in the Code. Making it clear that "Residential" and "Commercial" in the use table are not part of the definitions eliminates some of the confusion for interpreting the Table. For the convenience of the Board, we have attached copy of the portion of the December minutes reflecting the full ZBA's discussion of these issues.

Supervisor thanked the ZBA for tackling a difficult issue. This is a resolution to establish reference points; new members weren't used to reading the Code or reading the Table and became confused. Attorney Wukitsch said Town Board is the legislative body; if Code must be clarified, it should be done through an amendment to the Code. Ms. Tooher said it is an explanation of the interpretation, and not a change. Attorney Wukitsch said there is an argument Code is too rigid, perhaps to build in discretion for Uses. Regarding the grid, no formal Board action is needed. Supervisor said, having read their minutes, it is lengthy, when folks own and enjoy their own property, the neighbors do have impact, defining Accessory Use. Ms. Tooher commends her ZBA, who met to prepare this report; it is not just this instance, everyone felt it would be service to Town Board to tell this story. Supervisor suggests the Planning and Zoning Committee start their quarterly meetings and bring their recommendations back to Town Board; Attorney Wukitsch would consult with them.

Year-End Report for 2010: The Zoning Board of Appeals held: Six Meetings, Three Public Hearings. Approved: 3 Variances – 1 Area Variance; 1 one-year Use Variance; 1 Use Variance renewed for another one-year period. Fees Taken In: \$240.00

- Six Month Update from Planning Board

Vice Chair Alta Turner reported that between July and December there were no site plans submitted to the Planning Board with impact by the zoning revisions but one issue arose with regard to Holiday Inn Express signage on NYS Thruway side. Current signage regulation focuses a 12 foot height constraint on the US Route 9W side; Chair Lee Davis made connection with Thruway, received Thruway Authority signage regulations; some approvals went through that were not in compliance with their regulations. The Planning Board will be reviewing and discussing whether it is required to be amended, as it is not appropriate for Thruway. Councilman Byas asked what Thruway side, the four-lanes or the tollbooth; Alta Turner said the Town signage law is explicit to local and county roads, any parcel that bounds the Thruway is what is being discussed, what is safe from their perspective? Too small sign is problematic, any sign bordering the Thruway must be approved by Thruway, and this case was approved by Thruway, 35foot, but does not fall within Town Code. Ms. Turner said the pre-approval was prior to implementation of new Town Code; it is a problem and that's what the quarterly meetings are about with the Planning and Zoning Committee. Ms. Turner said signage regulations for the Thruway are constrained at 40 feet above the Thruway; they were happy to hear from the Planning Board; Planning Board does not have considerations for the Thruway in place. From a safety perspective, Thruway would have to sign off, must establish a process.

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YEAR-END REPORT FOR 2010: The Planning Board held: 12 meetings, 6 Public Hearings; Approved: Six Minor Subdivisions; # of New Lots created: 8; Non-Conforming Parcels corrected: 2; Site Plans Approved: None; Special Use Permits Approved: None; Fees Taken In: \$450.00. Submitted by Lee Davis, Chair

- Appointments to Planning Board

Supervisor asks the Board's forgiveness having not written a recusal; John Cashin is a candidate for an opening and is Supervisor O'Rorke's spouse. Supervisor recuses herself. Deputy Supervisor Norris read.

**RESOLUTION
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RESOLUTION TO APPOINT PLANNING BOARD MEMBERS

RESOLVED, that Joe Caputo is hereby appointed to the New Baltimore Town Planning Board, said term expiring on December 31, 2013, and

RESOLVED, that Bill Johns is hereby appointed to the New Baltimore Town Planning Board, said term expiring on December 31, 2013.

RESOLVED, that Kathy Rundberg is hereby appointed to the New Baltimore Town Planning Board, said term expiring on December 31, 2013.

Councilman Byas moved, seconded by Councilman Meredith. Councilwoman Finke said there were eight candidates were considered for 3 positions, all were asked 8 questions, combined over 90 years of experience; Joe Caputo previously served on the Planning Board, Bill Johns owns Coxsackie Antiques Center which has grown 20% in past year, Kathy Rundberg previously served on the Town Board for 8 years, was the liaison to the Planning Board, did not miss a meeting. The Planning and Zoning Committee is Councilwoman Finke and Councilman Byas. No discussion. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

**ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-Abstain**

Adopted

- Appointment of Chair to Planning Board

Supervisor read.

**RESOLUTION
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RESOLVED, that Kathy Rundberg is hereby appointed as Chair of the New Baltimore Town Planning Board, said term expiring on December 31, 2011.

Councilwoman Finke moved, seconded by Councilman Meredith. No discussion. Supervisor thanked Councilwoman Finke. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

**ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE**

Adopted

- Lock Changes

Supervisor said there have been a few recent issues of security. She has contacted Greene County Sheriff's Office, been vigilant at Town Hall to address matters now and not later, and has contacted locksmiths. Councilman Meredith came in to discuss over weekend. No log of

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keys to meeting room or to the addition. One locksmith was able to open several doors without key. Sometimes only one or two people are working in the building, Town justices are called in at all hours, important to keep building secure, prudent to change locks or re-key, and have ADA compliant door handles. Supervisor suggests giving out one non-reproducible/inventoried key to those who need it.

Councilman Byas said he'd brought this up last year; why go through the cost of keys when we have a security system, why not change the security codes. Supervisor said there are frequently times when building is occupied minimally and still locked; someone, the sheriff agrees, appears to be trying to stop the alarm from being set. Supervisor said individuals are frequently working inside the building with locked doors. Councilman Byas said the codes should also be changed, maybe each 6 months. The current alarm company is headquartered in Connecticut; Town Clerk uses persuasion to get a technician when alarm won't shut off, tech in area only one day each week. Supervisor proposes putting out for RFP, but there is no log of keys; with Lynn Taylor's tenure with the town, she is unsure of who has keys to outer doors and internal offices. Cost, spread over the approximate 16 years, is reasonable. Councilman Byas asked which doors; Arlene McKeon offered that alarm system was installed before she was elected to the Board; member of the public was on the Board when installed. Also, smoke detectors are out of code. Supervisor spoke to Justice Cosenza and \$700 remains from the court's grant and building security costs fit within the grant specifications; the Town will pay \$800. Councilman Byas has no issue with security, but thought about changing the codes.

RESOLUTION
JANUARY 10, 2011

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO UPDATE LOCKS AT TOWN
HALL AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT**

WHEREAS, the original locks and keys in use at Town Hall are the original keys from the construction in the early 90's and,

WHEREAS, there is no record of lock changes in the meeting room; and

WHEREAS, the Sewer Plant has had no changes to the locks since the original construction, and

WHEREAS, there is no historical log or inventory of keys issued for either Town Hall or the Sewer Plant.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Supervisor to spend not more than \$1,500 to re-key all outside locks at Town Hall and the Sewer Plant in addition to re-keying two town hall offices, per proposal attached.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that keys issued at Town Hall for outside entry will be security keys and non-reproducible. An inventory will be maintained in the clerk's office of all keys issued.

Supervisor moved, seconded by Councilman Meredith. Supervisor took locksmith to the Wastewater Treatment Plant for onsite visit as a key is missing to the Pump Station.

Supervisor moved to amend fifth paragraph with, "per proposal attached", seconded by Councilman Norris. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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| ROLL CALL VOTE: | BYAS-AYE | FINKE-AYE | MEREDITH-AYE |
| | NORRIS-AYE | O'RORKE-AYE | |

Adopted

The Building Committee will meet regarding writing the Request for Proposal for the security system.

- Renew Contract for Columbia Greene Animal Shelter

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RESOLUTION

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT WITH
COLUMBIA GREENE HUMANE SOCIETY**

RESOLVED, that the Town Board does hereby authorize the Supervisor to execute an agreement with the Columbia Greene Humane Society/SPCA for the period of January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011 for shelter services, at a base rate of \$305.00 per day.

Supervisor moved, seconded by Councilman Norris. Supervisor reminded this was done in the fall. Councilman Byas asked is it only if we use it; Councilman Norris answered yes, Animal Control Officer Joe Tanner advised Animal Control Committee that the Town doesn't need the Mohawk-Hudson Humane Society contract. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
 NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE

Adopted

- Property Tax Exemptions for 65 and Older Persons with Disabilities

Supervisor said the past practice of the Town has been to follow the Greene County Legislature in their adoption of a new schedule.

PROPOSED LOCAL LAW #2 of 2011

**A LOCAL LAW TO ESTABLISH A NEW SCHEDULE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX
EXEMPTIONS FOR PERSONS SIXTY-FIVE (65) YEARS OF AGE OR OVER AND
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND LIMITED INCOMES**

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore, as follows:

SECTION 1.

This Local Law is adopted pursuant to the authority of Real Property Tax Law §459(c) and §467. All definitions, terms and conditions of such statute shall apply to this Local Law and are incorporated herein.

SECTION 2.

Local Law 3 of 2009 is HEREBY REPEALED.

SECTION 3.

The Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore does hereby establish the following sliding scale of property tax exemptions for real property owned by persons sixty-five (65) years of age or over and for real property owned by a person with a disability whose income is limited by such disability, and used as the legal residence of such person, based on the income limits set forth below:

| <u>Maximum Income Limit</u> | <u>Property Tax Exemption</u> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| \$20,500.00 or less | 50% |
| \$20,500.01-\$21,499.99 | 45% |
| \$21,500.00-\$22,499.99 | 40% |
| \$22,500.00-\$23,499.99 | 35% |
| \$23,500.00-\$24,399.99 | 30% |
| \$24,400.00-\$25,299.99 | 25% |
| \$25,300.00-\$26,199.99 | 20% |
| \$26,200.00-\$27,099.99 | 15% |

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\$27,100.00-\$27,999.99
\$28,000.00-\$28,899.99

10%
5%

SECTION 4.

Any person who qualifies for a property tax exemption as a person with a disability shall not be eligible for a property tax exemption as a person who is sixty five (65) years of age or over.

SECTION 5.

The maximum income limit set forth in Section 3 above shall be offset by medical and prescription drug expenses actually paid which are not reimbursed or paid for by insurance.

SECTION 6.

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon its filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.

Councilman Norris said it shows a \$1,000 increase from last law enacted. Attorney for the Town Wukitsch said language could be included to accomplish this in subsequent years by resolution of the Town Board rather than by local law.

**RESOLUTION
JANUARY 10, 2011**

**RESOLUTION SETTING PUBLIC HEARING DATE
FOR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW TO ESTABLISH A NEW SCHEDULE OF REAL
PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR PERSONS SIXTY-FIVE (65) YEARS OF AGE
OR OVER AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND LIMITED INCOMES**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore will hold a public hearing on January 24, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall, County Route 51, Hannacroix, New York, to hear those members of the public who wish to be heard regarding proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2011, a Local Law to Establish a New Schedule of Real Property Tax Exemptions for Persons Sixty-Five (65) Years of Age or Over and Persons with Disabilities and Limited Incomes.

Supervisor moved, seconded by Councilman Norris. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

**ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE**

Adopted

Town Clerk Brooks asked if the Board wished to add the News Herald; Attorney Wukitsch asked if Organization Resolutions define one official newspaper; answer: yes, Catskill Daily Mail. Supervisor said to add Ravena News Herald for this posting. Councilwoman Finke asked about the cost of the 300+ word advertisement for full-time justice clerk; Councilman Norris reminded discussion of qualifications as close as possible to current candidate.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Norris moved to adjourn and was seconded by Councilman Meredith. The adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote, and upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

**ROLL CALL VOTE: BYAS-AYE FINKE-AYE MEREDITH-AYE
NORRIS-AYE O'RORKE-AYE**

Adopted

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 pm.
Respectfully submitted,
Janet A. Brooks, Town Clerk