

PUBLIC HEARING

February 28, 2018

At 8:11 p.m. Supervisor Schiliro stated that a Public Hearing would be held in accordance with the Public Notice that follows:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the North Castle Town Board will hold a Public Hearing on February 28, 2018, at 7:30 PM, or as soon thereafter, at Town Hall, 15 Bedford Road, Armonk, NY 10504, to consider a Local Law to amend Chapter 288 entitled Taxation of the Code of the Town of North Castle by amending Article VI entitled Exemption for Cold War Veterans, Section 288-20 entitled Duration of exemption as authorized by Section 458-b of the Real Property Tax Law.

The proposed local law is available in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours and on the Town website. ALL PERSONS HAVING AN INTEREST IN THE MATTER ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AND BE HEARD.

By Order of the Town Board
Alison Simon, Town Clerk

Dated: February 12, 2018
Armonk, NY

The Public Notice was marked Exhibit "A" for the record.

The Affidavit of Posting calling the Public Hearing was marked Exhibit "B" for the record.

The Affidavit of Publication from The Journal News calling the Public Hearing was marked Exhibit "C" for the record.

The Town Clerk noted there was a proposed Local Law for consideration.

Assessor Victoria Sirota expressed gratitude for all that our veterans have done for our country. Ms. Sirota explained that the Town currently has a law relating to the Cold War Veterans Exemption. As currently adopted, this tax exemption would expire on May 1, 2018. She said that the Governor recently signed into law an amendment proposed by the New York State Legislature amending the law to lift the ten year limitation. Ms. Sirota said that in order for the Town to continue availing this exemption to the Cold War veterans residing in North Castle, she is asking the Town Board to consider adopting a local law to amend the current section of the law.

The Town Board members expressed support for the continuation of the exemption. Ms. Sirota said that this is the only exemption which has an expiration date.

In response to a query from Councilman Berra, Ms. Sirota said that the veterans who are covered by the Cold War Veterans Exemption are those not covered by the Alternative Veterans Exemption that covers most veterans. She added that the Cold War Veterans Exemption was created by the Legislature to allow those veterans not covered by the Alternative Veterans Exemption to be covered and to be recognized as well.

After all persons were heard who desired to be heard, Councilman D'Angelo moved, seconded by Councilman DiGiacinto, that the Public Hearing be closed at 8:14 p.m.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilmen D'Angelo, DiGiacinto, Reiter, Berra, Supervisor Schiliro

Noes: None

Councilman D'Angelo moved, seconded by Councilman DiGiacinto, the adoption of Local Law 1 of 2018 to amend Chapter 288 entitled Taxation of the Code of the Town of North Castle by amending Article VI entitled Exemption for Cold War Veterans, Section 288-20 entitled Duration of exemption as authorized by Section 458-b of the Real Property Tax Law. The Local Law follows at the end of these minutes.

The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilmen D'Angelo, DiGiacinto, Reiter, Berra, Supervisor Schiliro

Noes: None

Alison Simon, Town Clerk

Dated: March 9, 2018

TOWN OF NORTH CASTLE

**Local Law No. 1 for the Year 2018
Adopted February 28, 2018**

A Local Law to amend Chapter 288 entitled Taxation of the Code of the Town of North Castle by amending Article VI entitled Exemption for Cold War Veterans, Section 288-20 entitled Duration of exemption as authorized by Section 458-b of the Real Property Tax Law.

1. Section 288-20 is hereby amended to read:

The exemption provided by Subsection A of Chapter 288-19 of this Article shall apply to qualifying owners of qualifying real property for as long as they remain qualifying owners, without regard to the ten year limitation and shall be in accordance with the provisions of Section 458-b of the Real Property Tax Law as amended by Chapter 290 of the Laws of 2017.

2. This Local Law shall take effect upon filing of same with the Secretary of State of the State of New York.