

**PUBLIC HEARING**

AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 263, TAXATION  
 WEDNESDAY, JULY 2, 2008 , 7:00 P.M.  
 NEW WINDSOR TOWN HALL  
 NEW WINDSOR, NEW YORK

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Supervisor Green, Councilwoman Mullarkey, Councilwoman Weyant, Councilwoman Biasotti, Councilman Lundstrom

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Comptroller Finnegan, Assessor Wiley, Highway Superintendent Fayo, Town Attorney Blythe, Lieutenant Faricellia

**SALUTE TO FLAG**

Supervisor Green called to order a Public Hearing regarding the proposed amendment to Chapter 263, Taxation Local Law.

The Town Clerk presented proof of publication as required by law.

Assessor Todd Wiley presented information regarding the proposed tax exemption which, if passed, will be applied to the 2009 assessment roll and appear on the January 2010 property tax bill. The exemption applies only to the town's general and highway taxes. The Cold War tax exemption applies to any person who served on active duty in the United States armed forces for the period between September 2, 1945 to December 26, 1991 and is not already receiving either of the existing veterans' exemptions. Todd urged anyone with any questions about their eligibility for this exemption to call his office.

Leo Braun asked why it took the county and the town so long to pass this local law and Todd said there were problems with the original legislation as it was written, one of them being that the documentation which a veteran needed in order to file for the exemption would not be available from the Veterans Affairs Office for quite a while.

Barney Bedetti asked if a member of the National Guard was eligible and Todd said only if they were on active duty status.

Hearing no one else wishing to speak, Supervisor Green entertained a motion to close the Public Hearing.

Motion by Councilwoman Mullarkey, seconded by Councilwoman Weyant that the Town Board of the Town of New Windsor close the Public Hearing in the matter of the proposed establishment of a partial tax exemption to certain Cold War veterans at 7:16 p.m.

*Roll Call: All Ayes*

*Motion Carried: 5-0*

Motion by Councilwoman Mullarkey, seconded by Councilwoman Weyant that the Town Board of the Town of New Windsor pursuant to Sections 10 and 11 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, adopt amendment to Chapter 263 of the Town Code of the Town of New Windsor in accordance with the Local Law attached hereto and direct the Town Clerk to publish pursuant to law. This amendment provides for partial property tax exemption for Cold War Veterans.

*Roll Call: All Ayes*

*Motion Carried: 5-0*

Respectfully submitted,

**DEBORAH GREEN  
 TOWN CLERK**