

**6:45 PM Public Hearing on Local Law 1 of 2020 Establishing 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**

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE  
WORK MEETING**

**JANUARY 27, 2020  
AGENDA**

*Please turn off all cell phones and electronic devices.*

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Reports**

Supervisor

County Legislator

Town Clerk

- Board of Elections Certification
- January 13, 2020 Town Board Regular Meeting Minutes

Tax Collector

Historian

Agriculture (Chair R. VanEtten/Member Irving)

Ag Fest Liaison (Member Irving)

Animal Control (Chair Irving/Member Ruso)

Assessment (Chair VanEtten/Member Ruso)

- Resolution to Adopt Local Law 1 of 2020 Establishing 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

Audit and Control Committee (Chair Ruso/Member Downes)

- Resolution to Approve Annual Review of Accounts for Tax Collector and Town Clerk

Buildings & Grounds/Recycling (Chair Irving/Member Briody)

Building Inspector/Code Enforcement (Chair VanEtten/Member Briody)

Fire, EMS & Law Enforcement (Chair Dellisanti/Member Downes)

Grants/Promotions/Economic Development (Chair VanEtten/Member Ruso)

Greene County EMS (Representative Dellisanti/Deputy Ruso)

Greene County Planning Board

Highway (Chair Ruso/Member Briody)

Insurance (Chair Ruso/Member Downes)

Personnel (Chair Ruso/Member VanEtten)

Planning Board/Zoning Board of Appeals (Chair Irving/Member Ruso)

Seniors (Chair VanEtten/Member Ruso)

Technology/Website (Chair Briody/Member Downes)

Town Courts Liaison (Chair VanEtten/Member Briody)

- Resolution to Place Advertisement for Justice of the Peace Vacancy

Veterans and Memorials (Chair VanEtten/Member Irving)

Wastewater Treatment (Chair Irving/Member Briody)

Youth, Parks and Recreation (Chair VanEtten/Member Briody)

### **Public Comment Period/Community Events**

- February 5, 2020 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting at 7:30 PM if Needed
- February 10, 2020 Town Board Regular Meeting at 7 PM
- February 13, 2020 Planning Board Meeting at 7 PM
- February 17, 2020 Town Hall Closed in Observance of Presidents' Day
- February 24, 2020 Town Board Work Meeting at 7 PM
- March 1, 2020 Veterans Committee Luncheon at Cornell Hook & Ladder Fire Company at 12 Noon
- March 25, 2020 Greene County Public Health Rabies Clinic at Medway-Grapeville Firehouse 6-8 PM

### **Audit of Claims**

### **Adjournment**

### **\*\*\*\* Agenda Subject to Change\*\*\*\***

### **GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC CONDUCT DURING TOWN BOARD MEETINGS**

1. The Supervisor shall preside at the meetings of the Town Board. In the absence of the Supervisor, the Deputy Supervisor shall be the acting Supervisor. In the event both the Supervisor and the Deputy Supervisor are absent, the other members shall designate one of their members to act as temporary chairman. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a lesser number may adjourn.
2. Town residents who wish to speak shall fill out a card at the entrances of the meeting room listing their name, contact information, and the subject matter in which they would like to speak. These cards will be collected prior to the beginning of the Town Board meeting and given to the Town Supervisor or Deputy Supervisor in the absence of the Supervisor.
3. Speakers must be recognized by the presiding officer and then proceed to the lectern and state their name and address. They must limit their remarks on official town business to up to three minutes on a given topic and may not yield any remaining time to another speaker. They must address their remarks to the Board as a body and not to any member thereof and not to other members of the audience in the form of a debate.
4. Speakers should present their remarks in a courteous manner and may not make disparaging remarks or personal comments about public officials, town residents, or others. All speakers will observe the commonly accepted rules of courtesy, decorum, dignity, and good taste with no cursing, swearing, clapping, booing, finger pointing, bullying, whispering, or talking that disrupts the proceedings of the business of the Town Board.
5. Any speaker who disregards the directives of the presiding officer in enforcing the rules, disturbs the peace at a meeting, makes impertinent or slanderous remarks, or generally conducts themselves in an inappropriate manner shall be barred from further participation and will forfeit any balance of time remaining for their comments.

6. After a final warning, if a speaker willfully refuses to step down, the Town Supervisor shall contact the appropriate authorities to remove the speaker from the meeting room and to restore order.
7. The Town Supervisor, or in their absence the Deputy Supervisor, shall ensure compliance with these rules.

**This policy will be amended by Majority vote of the Town Board.**

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 46-2020  
JANUARY 27, 2020**

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2020 ESTABLISHING  
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**

*WHEREAS* the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore held a Public Hearing on January 27, 2020 regarding proposed Local Law 1 of 2020, 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, at which time the public was given an opportunity to speak regarding this proposed local law.

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED* that the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore does hereby adopt Local Law 1 of 2020 Establishing 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.

**LOCAL LAW #1 OF 2019**

**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 §459© and §467. All definitions, terms and conditions of such statute shall apply to this Local Law and are incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. Local Law #1 of 2019 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:

<b><u>Maximum Income Limit</u></b>	<b><u>Property Tax Exemption</u></b>
\$29,000.00	50%
\$29,000.01-\$29,999.99	45%
\$30,000.00-\$30,999.99	40%
\$31,000.00-\$31,999.99	35%
\$32,000.00-\$32,899.99	30%
\$32,900.00-\$33,799.99	25%
\$33,800.00-\$34,699.99	20%
\$34,700.00-\$35,599.99	15%

\$35,600.00-\$36,499.99

10%

\$36,500.00-\$37,399.99

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.

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 47-2020**

**JANUARY 27, 2020**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE ANNUAL REVIEW OF ACCOUNTS  
FOR TAX COLLECTOR AND TOWN CLERK**

**WHEREAS** Town Law Section 123 requires each town officer or employee who has received or disbursed any monies to produce all supporting books, records, receipts, warrants, vouchers and cancelled checks as authorized y Section 29 of the General Municipal Law.

**WHEREAS** Councilmember Kelly Downes, Member of the Audit and Budget Committee, completed the Annual Review or the financial records of the Tax Collector and Town Clerk on Saturday, January 25, 2020.

**RESOLVED** the Town Board accepts the Annual Review for said departments for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 48-2020**

**JANUARY 28, 2019**

**RESOLUTION TO PLACE ADVERTISEMENT FOR  
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE VACANCY**

**WHEREAS** due to the resignation of one of the Justices of the Peace in the Town of New Baltimore on December 31, 2019, the Town Board seeks interested Town of New Baltimore residents willing to serve the remainder of the unfinished term expiring December 31, 2020.

**RESOLVED** the Town Clerk will place the following advertisement, approved by the Attorney for the Town, in The Daily Mail for seven days.

The Town of New Baltimore is seeking interested persons for one vacant Justice of the Peace position. This position is open to Town of New Baltimore residents ONLY. Please send letter of interest or resume outlining experience to Town Supervisor Jeffry Ruso, 3809 County Route 51, Hannacroix, NY 12087, [jruso@townofnewbaltimore.org](mailto:jruso@townofnewbaltimore.org), or call (518)756-6671, Ext. 7 for information. Letters of interest must be received no later than February 4, 2020.

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE**

**RESOLUTION 49-2020**

**JANUARY 27, 2020**

**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 2020b-01-01 to 2020b-01-, it is

**RESOLVED** that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay claims 2020b-01-01 to 2019b-01-.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Clerk will prepare an abstract and hold it for public review until February 29, 2020.