

Town of Northumberland
April 5, 2007
Public Hearing

Supervisor Willard Peck called the Public Hearing on proposed Local Law #1 of 2007 – A Local Law Providing for the Administration and Enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Codes to order @ 7:00 PM. Those attending included Supervisor Willard Peck, Councilman Paul Bolesh, Councilman Harold Vance Jr, Councilman George Hodgson and Councilman Daniel Gale. Also attending was Clerk Denise Murphy and Town Attorney Douglas Ward. Supervisor Peck gave a brief outline of the proposed Local Law.

Allen Wood, 329 Goff Road, asked if this law was mandated by the State regardless of how the Town Board and the public feels tonight. Attorney Douglas Ward stated this Local Law was mandatory. The State is requiring town's to adopt this Local Law due to changes in the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Codes. Mr. Wood asked if this means more work will be placed on our Building Inspector. Mr. Wood asked how much more bureaucracy do we need. Building/Zoning Administrator, Richard Colozza stated there are just a few more inspections that will be required and they are on new construction. Mr. Colozza stated the bulk of the changes involve the Energy Code since New York State adopted their own. Allen Wood asked how this will affect any agricultural building. Building/Zoning Richard Colozza stated that they applicant would need to show the building is sound, but not like a single family residence. It is very basic. Mr. Colozza stated they are basically checking to make sure an agricultural building is not being used as a dormitory or office.

Councilman Paul Bolesh made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing @ 7:25 PM. Councilman George Hodgson seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Murphy
Town Clerk