

Town of Northumberland
November 8, 2012
Public Hearing

Supervisor Willard Peck called the Public Hearing to order @ 7:00 PM. Following the salute to the flag, roll call was taken. Those attending included Supervisor Willard Peck; Councilman Paul Bolseh; Councilman Daniel Gale; Councilman George Hodgson and Councilwoman Patricia Bryant. Also attending was Clerk Denise Murphy; Highway Sup't Neil Petteys and Building; Town Bookkeeper Judy Taylor and Zoning Administrator Richard Colozza.

The purpose of the Public Hearing was to hear the public's comments on the proposed 2013 Town Budget. Proof of advertising in the Saratogian and Post Star on November 1, 2012 was furnished. Pursuant to Section 108 of Town Law, the proposed salaries of town officials are as follows:

Supervisor \$13,770.00
Councilman (4) \$4,488.00
Superintendent of Highways \$54,400.00
Town Clerk \$39,525.00
Justices (2) \$7,293.00

Supervisor Willard Peck gave an overview of the changes in the 2013 Town Budget. Supervisor Willard Peck stated this is a Conservative Budget. No Department asked for anything special this fiscal year. Supervisor Peck stated that so far, most of the Departments have stayed within their budgeted amount for 2012. Supervisor Willard Peck stated the biggest increase was in both NYS Retirement and Health Insurance. Both elected and appointed employees received a 2% increase in their salaries. Supervisor Willard Peck stated that the Sales Tax was higher in 2012 than anticipated. Supervisor Willard Peck stated that there will not be a tax for the Town Budget. The Highway Budget only increased by \$455 over the 2012 Highway Budget. There was a slight increase in the Bacon Hill Fire Protection District and the Gansevoort Sewer District remained the same. There was also a 2% increase in both the Moreau Emergency Squad and the General Schuyler Emergency Squad. Supervisor Willard Peck stated that the Town of Northumberland's 2013 Town Budget was well within the 2% Tax Cap. Supervisor Willard Peck pointed out that the Northumberland Fire District adopts their own Budget. There were no comments from the Public.

Supervisor Willard Peck made a motion @ 7:25 PM to adjourn the Public Hearing on the proposed 2013 Town Budget. Councilman Daniel Gale seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Murphy
Town Clerk