

A public hearing was held by the Town Board of the Town of Ballston on Tuesday evening, October 30, 2012 at the Town Hall on 323 Charlton Road, Ballston Spa.

PRESENT:	Patricia Southworth	-----	Supervisor
	Timothy Szczepaniak	-----	Councilman
	William Goslin	-----	Councilman
	Carol Shemo	-----	Clerk
	Murry Brower	-----	Counsel
ABSENT	Mary Beth Hynes	-----	Councilwoman

Supervisor Southworth opened the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.

The Town Clerk read the legal ad for the public hearing.

The purpose of the public hearing was to consider a local law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law § 3-c, and to allow the Town of Ballston, County of Saratoga to adopt a town budget for 2013 for (a) town purposes (b) fire protection districts (c) library district and (d) any other special or improvement district governed by the town board for the fiscal year 2013 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law § 3-c. This local law would override the cap placed on municipalities by General Municipal Law § 3.

Supervisor Southworth stated the NYS Comptroller Office has recommended that all Towns hold public hearings should they need to adopt a local law overriding the tax cap, the timelines are in place. The maximum amount of the tax levy for the Town of Ballston is \$1,787,090. This includes all special districts: Library District, Fire Districts, Lighting District, Ambulance District, Water District and Jenkins Park District.

Supervisor Southworth added that just because we are holding a public hearing does not mean that we will override the budget tax levy limit.

No one wished to speak on this subject so the public hearing was closed at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol R. Shemo  
Town Clerk