

March 23, 2009
Public Hearing
Proposed Increase to Schedule of
Senior Citizen Tax Exemptions
Town of Tuxedo Town Board
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Notice having been posted, and proof of publication of notice in the *Times Herald Record* having been furnished, a Public Hearing held before the Town Board of the Town of Tuxedo on Monday, March 23, 2009 at the Town Hall, One Temple Drive, Tuxedo, New York, was called to order by Supervisor Peter M. Dolan at 7:53 p.m.

Town Board Members Present: Mr. Peter M. Dolan Supervisor
 Mr. Daniel Castricone Councilperson
 Mr. Thomas Darling Councilperson
 Mr. Gary Phelps Councilperson
 Ms. Lisa Spivak Councilperson

Town Board Members Absent: None

Other Town Officials Present: Donald G. Nichol, Esq., Town Counsel; Mr. Daniel J. Carlin, Police Chief; Mr. John Norton, Police Sergeant; Mr. Edward Pfizenmaier, Deputy Superintendent of Highways; Mr. David Maikisch, Building Inspector; Mr. Frank Peverly, Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman; Ms. Dale Mottola, Architectural Review Board Member; and Mrs. Elaine M. Laurent, Town Clerk.

The meeting was opened by a pledge of allegiance to the flag.

The purpose of the Public Hearing was to hear comments on a new Schedule of Senior Citizen Tax Exemptions proposed to be adopted, which will increase the maximum income ceiling and revise the sliding scale exemptions in accordance with recent changes in New York State Law, Chapter 298. The proposed exemptions are the maximum permissible under state law and are set forth in the table below.

MAXIMUM ANNUAL INCOME	PERCENTAGE ASSESSED VALUATION EXEMPT FROM TAXATION
\$28,000 or less	50%
\$28,001 to \$28,999	45%
\$29,000 to \$29,999	40%
\$30,000 to \$30,999	35%
\$31,000 to \$31,899	30%
\$31,900 to \$32,799	25%
\$32,800 to \$33,699	20%
\$33,700 to \$34,599	15%
\$34,600 to \$35,499	10%
\$35,500 to \$36,400	5%

Supervisor Dolan requested any comments.

Mr. Andrew Berish, President of the Tuxedo Silver Dollars Senior Citizens Organization, spoke in favor of the amendment and expressed his appreciation and that of the members of his organization for the Town Board's consideration of this increase, especially during the current troubling economic times.

Supervisor Dolan requested any further comments. There were none.

RESOLVED, motion made by Supervisor Dolan, seconded by Councilperson Spivak, that, all persons desiring to be heard having been heard, the Public Hearing regarding the increasing of Senior Citizen Tax Exemptions be closed.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Laurent
Town Clerk

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