

Notice of Public Hearing
Proposed Local Law 2023-A “ A Local Law to Strike and Replace Article IX of Chapter 134 of the Town Code of the Town of Skaneateles.”

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing shall be held by the Town Board of the Town of Skaneateles at 7:00 p.m. on February 13, 2023 regarding Introductory Local Law A of 2023 “A Local Law to Strike and Replace Article IX of Chapter 134 of the Town Code of the Town of Skaneateles”, the purpose of the Proposed Local Law is to strike and replace Article IX of Chapter 134 of the Town Code titled “Volunteer Fire Fighters and Ambulance Workers Exemption” to provide for the continuation of the real property tax exemption currently available under Section 466-g of the New York Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) pursuant to the provisions of Section 466-a of the RPTL, as enacted in Chapter 670 of the Laws of 2022.

A copy of the local law and related materials is available for review at the Town Clerk’s Office of the Town of Skaneateles, 24 Jordan Street, Skaneateles, New York or at www.townofskaneateles.com. An opportunity to be heard in regard to this proposed local law will be given at the hearing to those favoring or opposing the same, as well as any comments. Communication in writing in relation thereto may be filed with the Town Board or at such hearing.

Said Hearing will be held on **Monday, February 13, 2023 at 7:00 pm** in person the Skaneateles Town Hall, 24 Jordan Street, Skaneateles, NY 13152 and via Zoom at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82514378483>, meeting ID: 825 1437 8483 , Passcode: 906615 or dial by your location +1 646 876 9923 US (New York). At that time, all persons will be heard or have an opportunity to provide written comment.

Dated: Skaneateles, New York
January 25, 2023

**RESOLUTION
OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF SKANEATELES**

**Proposed Local Law to Strike and Replace
Article IX of Chapter 134 of the Town Code of the Town of Skaneateles**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law Section 20(4), Board Member _____ has introduced for consideration Local Law No. __ of 2023 entitled “A Local Law to Strike and Replace Article IX of Chapter 134 of the Town Code of the Town of Skaneateles” (the “Proposed Local Law”); and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Proposed Local Law is to strike and replace Article IX of Chapter 134 of the Town Code titled “Volunteer Fire Fighters and Ambulance Workers Exemption” to provide for the continuation of the real property tax exemption currently available under Section 466-g of the New York Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) pursuant to the provisions of Section 466-a of the RPTL, as enacted in Chapter 670 of the Laws of 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board desires to comply with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and its implementing regulations set forth at 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the “Regulations”), with respect to the adoption of the Proposed Local Law; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to comply with the requirements of the New York Town Law and the New York Public Officers Law and shall schedule a public hearing to allow the public to comment on the Proposed Local Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board will hold a public hearing on _____, 2023 at ____ p.m. to hear all persons interested in the Proposed Local Law and to consider the adoption of the Proposed Local Law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby classifies the Proposed Local Law as a Type II Action under SEQRA involving the “adoption of regulations, policies, procedures and local legislative decisions” as set forth in Section 617.5(c)(33) of the Regulations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk shall cause notice of such public hearing to be published in the official Town newspaper in accordance with all legal requirements.

Town of Skaneateles
Local Law ___ of the Year 2023
A Local Law to Strike and Replace
Article IX of Chapter 134 of the Town Code of the Town of Skaneateles

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Skaneateles as follows:

Section 1. Authority

This Local Law is enacted pursuant to the provisions of the New York Municipal Home Rule Law and Article 4 of the New York Real Property Tax Law.

Section 2. Purpose

This local law strikes and replaces Article IX of Chapter 134 of the Town Code of the Town of Skaneateles (the “Town Code”), titled “Volunteer Fire Fighters and Ambulance Workers Exemption.” This local law is intended to provide for the continuation of the real property tax exemption currently available under Section 466-g of the New York Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) pursuant to the provisions of Section 466-a of the RPTL, as enacted in Chapter 670 of the Laws of 2022.

Section 3. Replacement to Article IX of Chapter 134 of the Town Code

See the attached replacement to Article IX of Chapter 134 of the Town Code.

Section 4. State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA)

The Town Board has considered the provisions of Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law (“SEQRA”) and the regulations adopted thereunder at 6 NYCRR Part 617 and finds that the proposed amendments to the Zoning Code will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts. Therefore, no further review is required under SEQRA.

Section 5. Severability

If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court’s order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 6. Effective date

This Local Law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

of his or her life as long as his or her primary residence is located within the Town of Skaneateles.

- D. Un-remarried spouses of an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service killed in the line of duty shall be granted the ten percent (10%) exemption as authorized by this section, provided that:
- (1) Such un-remarried spouse is certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service as an un-remarried spouse of an enrolled member of such incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service who was killed in the line of duty;
 - (2) Such deceased volunteer had been an enrolled member for at least five (5) years; and
 - (3) Such deceased volunteer had been receiving the exemption prior to his or her death.
- E. Un-remarried spouses of a deceased enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service shall be granted the ten percent (10%) exemption as authorized by this section, provided that:
- (1) Such un-remarried spouse is certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service as an un-remarried spouse of a deceased enrolled member of such incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service;
 - (2) Such deceased volunteer had been an enrolled member for at least twenty (20) years; and
 - (3) Such deceased volunteer and un-remarried spouse had been receiving the exemption for such property prior to the death of such volunteer.
- F. Application for such exemption shall be filed with the Town Assessor on a form as prescribed by the State Board of Real Property Services.
- G. No applicant who is a volunteer fire fighter or volunteer ambulance worker, who by reason of such status is receiving any benefit under the provisions of Article 4 of the Real Property Tax Law on the effective date of this section, shall suffer any diminution of such benefit because of the provisions of this article.