PUBLIC HEARING "Local Law No. 1 of 2009 Amended Cold War Veterans Exemption Law" TOWN BOARD TOWN OF STEPHENTOWN January 15, 2018

The Regular meeting of the Town Board, Town of Stephentown was called to order by *Lawrence Eckhardt* at **7:01 PM** at the Town Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: (X) Supervisor Lawrence Eckhardt (X) Councilman Philip Roder (X) Councilman William Jennings (X) Councilman Gerald Robinson (X) Councilman Pam Kueppers (X) Town Clerk Stephanie Wagar	 (X) Highway Superintendent, Alden Goodermote (X) Assessor, Jennifer Van Deusen (X) Deputy Code Enforcer, Owen Cassavaugh
A quorum (X) was () wasn't established.	
11 from the Public were present	
• Proposed Amendment to Local Law No. 1 of 2009 "Cold War Veterans Exemption"	
MEETING OPEN TO PUBLIC COMMENT:	
G. Robinson: said a few words in respect to Martin Luther King day.	
<i>L. Eckhardt:</i> first order of business a public hearing to discuss the Cold War Veterans Exemption, the Governor has asked to remove the ten year limit, asks if there is any comments from the public, asks the assessor if this is correct. This includes Vietnam correct?	
D. Burek: the Cold War was between Korea up to the Vietnam War	
L. Eckhardt: quotes the law on time line being 1945 to 1991	
J. VanDeusen: this includes Vietnam	
B. Baker: asks if this is a State Law that the town took on	
J. VanDeusen: the County	
B. Baker: how is this different from the other veteran exemptions?	
J. VanDeusen: there are several veteran exemptions	
L. Eckhardt: do you see a major difference in the assessment from this?	
J. VanDeusen: No	

D. Burek: is in support with the change

L. Eckhardt: asks Brian Baker if he is in support

B. Baker: who can argue with veterans, bt people who serve in Wichita are not the same as those in combat.

J. VanDeusen: it's different for each veteran for what they did/do.

B. Baker: in support of change

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:14 PM

MOTION BY: ECKHARDT SECONDED BY: RODER

VOTES OF: 5 AYE 0 NAY

Stephanie M. Wagar

Town Clerk

^{**}A **Workshop Meeting** is held every second Monday of every month at **7:00PM** at the Town Hall.

^{**}The next **Regular Meeting** of the Town Board, Town of Stephentown will be held on **Monday, February 19**th, **2018** at **7:00 PM** at the Town Hall.