

A public hearing was held by the Town Board of the Town of Moreau on November 14, 2017 in the Town of Moreau Municipal Building, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, New York for the purpose of hearing public comment on Local Law 1 of 2017 (Cold War Veteran Exemption).

The Supervisor called the public hearing to order at 6:45 p.m.

Town Board Members Present

Todd Kusnierz	Councilman
Alan VanTassel	Councilman
Gina LeClair	Councilwoman
Bob Prendergast	Councilman
Gardner Congdon	Supervisor

Town Board Members Absent

None

Also present: Leeann McCabe, Town Clerk; Malcolm O'Hara, Attorney for the Town; Paul Joseph, Highway Superintendent; Town Residents: Kyle Noonan, Nathaniel Smythe, Vince Sporrer, Bruce Flayer, Charlene & Gerhard Endal, Vicky Barrett

The following notice of public hearing was published as a legal ad in the Post Star Newspaper on November 4, 2017:

**TOWN OF MOREAU
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO
CONSIDER ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law that a public hearing will be held by the Town Board of the Town of Moreau on November 14, 2017, at 6:45 p.m. at the Town of Moreau Municipal Complex, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, New York, for the purpose of considering the approval of Local Law No. 1 of 2017. Local Law No. 1 of 2017, as proposed, would amend Chapter 130, "Taxation", Article IV "Cold War Veterans Exemption" of the Code of the Town of Moreau to provide for an extension of the Cold War Veterans Exemption to qualifying owners or qualifying real property for as long as they remain qualifying owners without regard to the ten (10) year limitation set forth in New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 458-b.

A copy of proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2017 can be obtained at the Office of the Town Clerk, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, New York

Dated: November 4, 2017

Councilman Kusnierz explained that the current Town Code calls for a sunset date of 10 years for the Cold War Veteran's exemption and if this Local Law were passed, it would eliminate the expiration date and make the exemption permanent. This would save the Town Board from having to keep renewing the exemption.

Vicky Barrett stated that she is a recipient right now and is in favor of the Local Law.

Bruce Flayer asked if the exemption would be for anyone in the Town and Councilman Kusnierz replied that it would be for anyone in the Town who is entitled. Mr. Flayer asked how many people in the Town

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get the exemption now. The Supervisor replied that there are 22 people who receive the exemption. He proceeded to explain who a Cold War Veteran is by having served between 1945 and 1991.

Nathaniel Smythe asked if this Local Law could encompass other Veteran's exemptions that have a 10 year sunset clause. Councilman Kusnierz replied that it was just for Cold War Veteran's.

A motion was made by Councilman Kusnierz and seconded by Councilwoman LeClair to close the public hearing at 6:54 p.m.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilman Prendergast	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Kusnierz	Aye
Councilman VanTassel	Aye
Supervisor Congdon	Aye

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Leeann McCabe
Town Clerk