

6:45 PM Public Hearing on Local Law 1 of 2025, a Local Law to Establish a New Schedule of Real Property Tax Exemptions for Persons Sixty-Five (65) Years of Age or Over and Persons with Disabilities and Limited Incomes

**TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE
REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING**

**JANUARY 13, 2025
AGENDA**

Please silence cell phones while the meeting is in progress.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

- December 23, 2024 Town Board Work Meeting

Public Comment Period

New Business

- Resolution to Adopt Local Law 1 of 2025, A Local Law to Establish a New Schedule of Real Property Tax Exemptions for Persons Sixty-Five (65) Years of Age or Over and Persons with Disabilities and Limited Incomes
- Resolution to Establish Sewer District #1 Use Charges for 2025
- Resolution to Establish Water District #2 Use Charges for 2025
- Resolution to Establish Water District #3 Use Charges for 2025
- Resolution to Amend Points for Parcels in Sewer District #1
- Resolution to Authorize the Town Supervisor to Sign an Agreement for Escrow Account
- Resolution to Authorize Purchase of a Cell Phone for the Part-Time Code Enforcement Officer/Data Collector
- Resolution to Authorize the Town Board to Approve Installment Payments for the Medway-Grapeville Fire District and New Baltimore Fire District Budgets in 2025

Upcoming Meetings

- January 20, 2025 Town Offices Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- January 27, 2025 Town Board Work Meeting at 7 PM
- February 5, 2025 Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting at 7 PM
- February 10, 2025 Town Board Regular Meeting 7 PM
- February 13, 2025 Planning Board Meeting at 7 PM
- February 17, 2025 Town Offices Closed for Presidents' Day
- February 24 2024 Town Board Work Meeting at 7 PM

Community Events

Audit of Claims

Adjournment

***** Agenda Subject to Change******

GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC CONDUCT DURING TOWN BOARD MEETINGS

1. The Supervisor shall preside at the meetings of the Town Board. In the absence of the Supervisor, the Deputy Supervisor shall be the acting Supervisor. In the event both the Supervisor and the Deputy Supervisor are absent, the other members shall designate one of their members to act as temporary chairman. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a lesser number may adjourn.
2. Town residents who wish to speak shall fill out a card at the entrance of the meeting room listing their name, contact information, and the subject matter in which they would like to speak. These cards will be collected prior to the beginning of the Town Board meeting and given to the Town Supervisor or Deputy Supervisor in the absence of the Supervisor.
3. Speakers must be recognized by the presiding officer and then proceed to the lectern and state their name and address. They must limit their remarks on official town business to up to three minutes. They must address their remarks to the Board as a body and not to any member thereof and not to other members of the audience in the form of a debate.
4. Speakers should present their remarks in a courteous manner and may not make disparaging remarks or personal comments about public officials, town residents, or others. All speakers and individuals attending the meeting will observe the commonly accepted rules of courtesy, decorum, dignity, and good taste with no cursing, swearing, clapping, booing, finger pointing, bullying, whispering, or talking that disrupts the proceedings of the business of the Town Board.
5. Any speaker who disregards the directives of the presiding officer in enforcing the rules, disturbs the peace at a meeting, makes impertinent or slanderous remarks, or generally conducts themselves in an inappropriate manner shall be barred from further participation and will forfeit any balance of time remaining for their comments.
6. After a final warning, if a speaker willfully refuses to step down, the Town Supervisor shall contact the appropriate authorities to remove the speaker from the meeting room and to restore order.
7. The Town Supervisor, or in their absence the Deputy Supervisor, shall ensure compliance with these rules.

This policy will be amended by Majority vote of the Town Board.

TOWN OF NEW BALTIMORE, COUNTY OF GREENE

RESOLUTION 39-2025

JANUARY 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2025
A LOCAL LAW TO ESTABLISH A NEW SCHEDULE OF REAL PROPERTY TAX
EXEMPTIONS FOR PERSONS SIXTY-FIVE (65) YEARS OF AGE OR OVER
AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND LIMITED INCOMES**

BE IT ENACTED by the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore, as follows:

SECTION 1. This Local Law is adopted pursuant to the authority of Real Property Tax §459© and §467. All definitions, terms and conditions of such statute shall apply to this Local Law and are incorporated herein.

SECTION 2. Local Law #5 of 2023 is HEREBY REPEALED.

SECTION 3. The Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore will follow the Greene County Senior Citizen Tax Exemption and hereby establishes the following sliding scale of property tax exemptions for real property owned by persons sixty-five (65) years of age or over and for real property owned by a person with a disability whose income is limited by such disability, and used as the legal residence of such person, based on the income limits set forth below:

<u>Maximum Income Limit</u>	<u>Property Tax Exemption</u>
\$36,000.00	50%
\$36,000.01-\$36,999.99	45%
\$37,000.00-\$37,999.99	40%
\$38,000.00-\$38,999.99	35%
\$39,000.00-\$39,899.99	30%
\$39,900.00-\$40,799.99	25%
\$40,800.00-\$41,699.99	20%
\$41,700.00-\$42,599.99	15%
\$42,600.00-\$43,499.99	10%
\$43,500.00-\$44,399.99	5%

SECTION 4. Any person who qualifies for a property tax exemption as a person with a disability shall not be eligible for a property tax exemption as a person who is sixty-five (65) years of age or over.

SECTION 5. The maximum income limit set forth in Section 3 above shall be offset by medical and prescription drug expenses actually paid which are not reimbursed or paid for by insurance.

SECTION 6. This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon its filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.

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RESOLUTION 40-2023

JANUARY 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH SEWER DISTRICT #1
USE CHARGES FOR 2025**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of New Baltimore
establish the following fees in accordance with the 2025 Budget for Sewer District #1:

Debt Service
Operation and Maintenance

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RESOLUTION 41-2025

JANUARY 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH WATER DISTRICT #2
USE CHARGES FOR 2025**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby establishes the following fees in accordance with the 2025 Budget for Water District #2:

Water Usage	As Per Meter
Debt Payment (Repair)	\$157.00 Quarterly
Operation and Maintenance	\$20 Quarterly

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RESOLUTION 42-2025

JANUARY 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH WATER DISTRICT #3
USE CHARGES FOR 2025**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby establishes the following fees in accordance with the 2025 Budget for Water District #3:

Water Usage	As Per Meter
Operation and Maintenance	\$20 Quarterly
Commercial User Fee Minimum Rate	\$1,788.16 Annually
Commercial Operation and Maintenance	\$300.00 Annually

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RESOLUTION 43-2025

JANUARY 13, 2025

RESOLUTION TO AMEND POINTS FOR PARCELS IN SEWER DISTRICT #1

WHEREAS the Town Board examined data regarding points assessed for all parcels in Sewer District #1, and

WHEREAS the following parcel were discovered to have apparent errors related to the points assigned:

7.08-1-7.1 – 10 Points to 20 Points
7.16-2-18 – 20 Points to 30 Points
7.16-3-39 – 10 Points to 20 Points
7.16-3-5 – 20 Points to 30 Points
7.16-3-51 – 20 Points to 30 Points
7.16-4-17.12 – 10 Points to 20 Points

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that upon providing appropriate opportunity for the owners of above-mentioned parcels to appeal these new points that such points will be added to their charges.

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RESOLUTION 44-2025

JANUARY 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AN
AGREEMENT FOR ESCROW ACCOUNT**

WHEREAS the Town Planning Board has identified the need for engineering and legal services to assist in review of the project being proposed for the “Land and Lakes” development, and

WHEREAS the Town Planning Board has requested that the town establish an escrow account funded by the developer to pay for such legal and engineering services,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby approves the establishment of an Escrow Account with Bank of Greene County.

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RESOLUTION 45-2025

JANUARY 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF A CELL PHONE FOR THE
PART-TIME CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER/DATA COLLECTOR**

WHEREAS the Town has hired a Part-Time Code Enforcement Officer/Data Collector in December of 2024,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board hereby approves the purchase and establishment of a cell phone for the new Part-Time Code Enforcement Officer/Data Collector.

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RESOLUTION 46-2025

JANUARY 13, 2025

**RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN BOARD TO APPROVE
INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS FOR THE MEDWAY-GRAPEVILLE FIRE DISTRICT
AND NEW BALTIMORE FIRE DISTRICT BUDGETS IN 2025**

WHEREAS the Town Clerk is authorized via a warrant from Greene County to collect Town property taxes for 2025 including \$225,247 to the Medway-Grapeville Fire District and \$473,171 to the New Baltimore Fire District.

WHEREAS the amount of time needed to receive payments and clear checks through banking institutions usually takes eight to ten weeks to collect the full amount due to our Fire Districts.

RESOLVED instead of waiting for the total amount due for one payment, the Town Clerk is authorized to prepare installment vouchers until the total amount due has been collected and remitted.

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RESOLUTION 47-2025

JANUARY 13, 2025

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO PAY AUDITED CLAIMS

WHEREAS the Town Clerk has presented claims to the Town Board for audit and review, and

WHEREAS the Town Board has audited claims 2025-01-01 to 2025-01-, it is

RESOLVED that the Supervisor is hereby authorized to pay claims 2025-01-01 to 2025-01-.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk will prepare an abstract and hold it for public review until February 28, 2025.

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