

On the motion of Trustee Kehoe and seconded by Trustee Tobin the following resolution was unanimously approved

RESOLUTION 2012 – 135 LOCAL LAW No. 4 OF 2012.

WHEREAS: a Public Hearing of the Village Board of Trustees was held at the Village Hall, 224 Main Street, Northport, New York at 6:00 o'clock in the evening of the 4^h day of December, to consider the following proposed local law:

Local Law No.4 of the year 2012
Village of Northport, County of Suffolk

A local law authorizing a property tax levy in excess of the limit established in General Municipal Law § 3-c

Section 1. Legislative intent

It is the intent of this local law to allow the Village of Northport to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing March 1, 2012 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 2. Authority

This Local Law is adopted pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-c, which expressly authorizes a local governments governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent(60%) of said governing body.

Section 3. Tax Levy Override

The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Northport, County of Suffolk , is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing on March 1, 2013 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-c.

Section 4. Severability

If a court determines that any clause, section, 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 effect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to be 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 5. Effective date

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State

On the motion of Trustee Tobin and seconded by Trustee McMullen the Public Hearing was opened.

Trustee Tobin explained what the 2% tax cap applied to: the 2% cap is on is the tax levy which is the total amount collect by the Village.

Joe Sabia, spoke regarding the 2% cap, stating the cap "just doesn't work" . Mr. Sabia stated the pension costs continue to rise and sooner than later it will bankrupt every Village. The Village needs to look into having Suffolk County Dispatchers take over the Villages dispatching function. Mayor Doll stated this was conversation for the budget hearing.