

**Public Hearing – Chapter 159 “Timber Harvesting and Forest Management,”
in order to implement the Town’s Natural Resource and Open Space Plan.**

September 25, 2013

The Town Board held a Public Hearing on the above date at 7:40 p.m. on a proposed **LOCAL LAW TO AMEND TO AMEND CHAPTER 159 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF PHILIPSTOWN, ENTITLED, “TIMBER HARVESTING AND FOREST MANAGEMENT,” IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE TOWN’S NATURAL RESOURCE AND OPEN SPACE PLAN AND IT’S RE-DESIGNATION OF THE TOWN’S CONSERVATION ADVISORY COUNCIL AS A CONSERVATION BOARD.**

PRESENT:

Richard Shea	Supervisor
Betty Budney	Councilwoman
Nancy Montgomery	Councilwoman
John Van Tassel	Councilman
David Merandy	Councilman

Town Clerk Merando read the Public Notice.

Supervisor Shea opened the Public Hearing stating that once again, the terminology for the Conservation Advisory Council will become the Conservation Board and the Wetlands Inspector is being replaced by Natural Resource Officer. He noted that on page 5 of the proposed local law, the acreage has been lowered to 40,000 square feet.

Mary Ellen Finger commented that under definitions, page 3, Clear Cutting still states two acres, and not the 40,000 square feet.

There being no further comments from the public, Councilman Van Tassel made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Budney to close the Public Hearing at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Tina M. Merando
Town Clerk