

Public Hearing  
Tuesday, January 15, 2008

## **Local Law #2 - 2008**

### **Requiring Logging Permits in the Town of Hillsdale, NY**

#### **I. Call to order**

Proof of Notice having been furnished, the Public Hearing on requiring logging permits in the Town of Hillsdale, NY, was called to order by **Supervisor Art Baer at 7:00 pm on January 15, 2008 in the Hillsdale Town Hall.**

#### **II. Attending**

The following persons were present: Supervisor Baer, Board Members Ann Baldwin Carmen Barbato, Peter Cipkowski, and Augie Sena; Town Clerk Julie Kane; Town Attorney Nelson Alford; Hank Henward, Ed Ferratto, Robina Ward, Joe Hanselman, Jr., Carol Hanselman, Bud Atwood, and other members of the public.

#### **III. Discussion**

Mr. Baer read the sections of the proposed law which addressed findings, purpose, definitions, and agricultural exceptions.

In response to a question from Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Alford explained that logging fees would be fixed by resolution after the law was enacted and added that these fees were not in the list from the Planning Board approved at the Organizational Meeting.

In response to a question from Mr. Atwood, Mr. Baer explained that the law would take effect only when over 50% of the total tree count on a plot of more than 3 acres is to be removed.

In response to a question by Mr. Ferratto, Mr. Alford stated that any logging operations that have not actually started will be subject to the law and that the operators in question should file. Mr. Baer asked Mr. Ferratto to compile a list of local loggers so that they can be notified of the new law by mail. There was discussion of notifying the public through a press release to the local media as well.

#### **IV. Adjournment**

All persons desiring to be heard, having been heard, the Hearing was closed at 7:25 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Julie Kane, Hillsdale Town Clerk