

TOWN OF WHITEHALL

LOCAL LAW NUMBER 1 OF 2014

“Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Whitehall, New York as follows:”

“A Local Law Establishing an Alternative Date for Meetings of the Board of Assessment Review for the Town of Whitehall.”

1. Short Title

This local law shall be known and may be hereinafter referred to and cited as the “Board of Assessment Review Meetings Local Law of the Town of Whitehall.”

2. Purpose and Intent:

The Town of Whitehall currently employs a part time sole assessor who is in the simultaneous employ of two other assessing units of the State of New York. Unless changed by local law, section 512 of the Real Property Tax Law (“RPTL”) provides that the Board of Assessment Review in each assessing unit in the State of New York is required to meet to hear complaints in relation to assessment commencing on the fourth Tuesday of May of each year. The Town of Whitehall deems it desirable that the assessor attends the meetings of the Town’s Board of Assessment Review and this is impossible if the meetings are all scheduled on the same date. Therefore, it is the purpose and intent of this local law to establish an alternate date for meetings of the Town’s Board of Assessment Review so as to allow the assessor to be present for such meetings on that date.

3. Legislative Authority:

This Local Law is enacted in accordance with the provision of subsection 1-a of section 512 of the RPTL which provides that the governing body of an assessing unit which employs an assessor who is at the same time employed by another assessing unit may adopt a local law establishing a date for the meeting of its Board of Assessment Review which is other than the fourth Tuesday of May, provided the date is no earlier than the fourth Tuesday in May and no later than the second Tuesday in June.

4. Meeting day for the Board of Assessment Review in the Town of Whitehall:

Pursuant to the authority granted by subsection 1-a of section 512 of the RPTL, the Town Board of the Town of Whitehall hereby provides that from and after the effective date of this law, the meeting of the Town’s Board of Assessment Review shall take place on the first Wednesday in May after the fourth Tuesday in May, continuing for so many days thereafter as the Board of Assessment Review deems necessary, for the purpose of hearing complaints in relation to assessment.

5. Effective Date and Filing:

This law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.