



THE CITY OF POUGHKEEPSIE  
NEW YORK

PUBLIC HEARING

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*5:30 PM PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING  
PROPOSED LOCAL LAW LL-14-03*

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**Monday, June 2, 2014 5:30 p.m.**

**City Hall**

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**Chairman Mallory** called the meeting to order at 5: 30 p.m.

**Frank Clark 50 Rinaldi Blvd-** stated that he believes this is a very good change to the Local Law. He said he would like to see minutes taken for all of these meetings, and a copy of the minutes go to both the Mayor and the Common Council. He remembers that when he was a member of WAC, there was a major concern about the tour boat coming in and taking over the entire dock. The Common Council never got the minutes from that meeting, and the Mayor claims that he didn't get them either. However, he sat right next to the person who was taking the minutes, and can't believe that person didn't give a copy of those minutes to the Mayor, because that same person was the Mayor's campaign manager when he ran for reelection. It is very important that these committees and boards take minutes, and that the Common Council gets a copy of them. We would have saved a lot of money on a lawsuit, which we lost, because of that tour boat.

**Doug Nobelitti 145 Academy Street** wanted to reiterate the importance of this modification of the Local Law. As a person who is an owner of historic properties, and has come before the Historic Commission, I can tell you from experience that it has been extremely frustrating to have a board that did not act in accordance with its directives; votes were delayed five months because they could never get a quorum together. I am very appreciative, and thankful, and hope that this will help the city conduct its business more efficiently.

**Ken Stickle 118 Catherine Street** was newly appointed to the Board of Assessment, stated that this is very important to him. He said he believes that any board members, City Council, you guys miss a certain amount of meetings; you're kicked off the council. There should nobody who takes a paid or non-paid job to serve on any of these boards not serious. There is no reason why you can't pick a phone up, email somebody that you can't attend your meetings. If people want to be on these boards because they think that it is going to give them the star status, they need to leave. We need people who want to be

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dedicated to the city, no matter whether they are being paid, or non-paid. I'm strongly hoping that you would rewrite this law, that it would never be more than two excuses without somebody contacting somebody. It is not a reason to keep that person on the board. There should be nobody that can miss two meetings in a row. Our Historical Commission, from what I understand, they have a horrible record, it's a very important job to this city, and believes that they should be here every meeting. If they can't, at least call somebody and get an excusable absent why they are not going to attend that meeting.

**Dated:** August 29, 2014.

I hereby certify that this a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Public Hearing held on Monday, June 2, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deanne L. Flynn  
City Chamberlain