

**RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF LUMBERLAND DECLARING LEAD AGENCY STATUS AND SETTING A TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING WITH RESPECT TO ADOPTION OF PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 4 OF 2016 ENTITLED "A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 220: PROPERTY MAINTENANCE - ARTICLE 1 - ABANDONED BUILDINGS"**

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Lumberland has determined that it is necessary to remedy problems caused by abandoned and vacant buildings, foreclosed properties and properties in foreclosure including a decline in property values and tax base, and negative impacts on the quality of life for neighboring residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that establishing regulations for the registration, inspection, maintenance, and securing of such buildings and properties would be in the best interest of the Town of Lumberland; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Lumberland has been presented the proposed Local Law #4 of 2016, entitled "A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 220: PROPERTY MAINTENANCE - ARTICLE 1 - ABANDONED BUILDINGS"; and

WHEREAS, the contemplated action appears to be an unlisted action requiring review pursuant to part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to article 8 State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), requiring the preparation of a short form Environmental Assessment Form ("EAF"); and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Lumberland has identified no other involved agencies and, therefore, desires to assume lead agency status; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Lumberland wishes to set a time and place for a public hearing with respect to proposed Local Law #4 of 2016 at which time the environmental significance of the proposed Local Law will be discussed, so that the public may be heard; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Lumberland has also determined that the proposed local law is subject to review by the Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Management pursuant to New York General Municipal Law 239-m, and subject to the notice requirements of New York Town Law §264.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lumberland hereby declares lead agency status with regard to the proposed adoption of proposed Local Law #4 of 2016; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a public hearing be held by the Town Board of the Town of Lumberland with respect to the aforesaid proposed Local Law at 7:15 p.m. on August 10, 2016, at Lumberland Town Hall, 1054 Proctor Rd., Glen Spey, New York 12737; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause public notice of said hearing to be given as provided by law; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Lumberland hereby refers the adoption of proposed Local Law 4 of 2016 entitled "A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING CHAPTER 220: PROPERTY MAINTENANCE - ARTICLE 1 - ABANDONED BUILDINGS", to the Sullivan County Division of Planning and Environmental Management for 30-day review pursuant to General Municipal Law.

MOTION BY: Councilman Joseph Carr

SECOND BY: Councilwoman Zoriana Gingold

VOTE: 5 - 0

BY ORDER OF THE Town Board of the Town of Lumberland, NY.

Dated: July 13, 2016

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Virginia Horn, Town Clerk