Public Hearing Local Law Introductory No. B of 2013 June 6, 2013

The Public Hearing on Local Introductory No. B of 2013 A Local Law authorizing an override of the Tax levy limit for Tioga County for 2014 and authorizing the adoption by Tioga County of a budget for 2014 that requires a tax levy that is greater than the tax levy limit for the 2014 fiscal year was called to order by the Chair at 1:03 P.M. Seven Legislative members were present, Legislators Monell and Roberts being absent.

There were six people in attendance.

The Clerk read the legal notice as published in the official newspapers.

Legislator Sauerbrey spoke. "On the first page, bottom paragraph, this paragraph really kind of says what we all sort of came to and that is while the Tioga County Legislature intends to comply with the tax cap, which means we want to keep it, we want to keep it below 2%. We do recognize the need to authorize an override as an insurance policy in order to avoid these negative fiscal impacts that would result due to lack of clarity in the tax cap regulations from the OSC."

Legislator Sullivan spoke. "In addition to what Legislator Sauerbrey had to say, this authorizes the Legislature to override. It is not an override. I want that to be very clear."

Legislator Sauerbrey spoke. "I think that we all agree that our intention is to keep it below 2%. We just do not want to get in trouble with the State."

Legislator Standinger spoke. "I would mirror those comments. It is very difficult with a moving target that the State has established to stay under that level. When the rules change on the State level on how they calculate the 2%, it puts us in a very difficult position. As a prophylactic measure, I think it is prudent to do so."

There being no further comments, the hearing was adjourned at 1:05 P.M.