

The Town of East Greenbush

225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, New York 12144

TOWN BOARD AGENDA March 15, 2017

7:00 PM

Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance Town Board Meeting:

Members of Town Board

Present Absent

\boxtimes	Supervisor Conway
$\overline{\boxtimes}$	Councilor DiMartino
\boxtimes	Councilor Matters
\boxtimes	Councilor Grant
\boxtimes	Councilor Tierney

Communications/Announcements/Reports

Open Public Privilege: NOTE – Each speaker may choose to state name and address prior to addressing the Board and shall be granted the floor for up to five minutes. The Board thanks everyone in attendance for their understanding and also for their desire to actively participate in the decision making process locally. All speakers must conduct themselves in a civil manner. Personal attacks will not be tolerated.

Resolutions and Proposals by Town Board Members:

56-2017 A Resolution to Approve Meeting Minutes

WHEREAS, the minutes of Town Board meetings, as provided in §106 of Article 7 of the New York Public Officers Law, shall be approved by the Board prior to them being finalized, deemed official and disseminated to the public by the Town Clerk; and

WHEREAS, that the minutes of the regular Town Board Meeting held on February 15, 2017 have been presented; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed these minutes and any necessary corrections have been made;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the regular Town Board Meeting held on February 15, 2017, are hereby approved as submitted.

The foregoing resolution was duly moved by Councilor DiMartino and seconded by Councilor Matters and brought to a vote resulting as follows:

Councilor DiMartino	VOTED: YES
Councilor Matters	VOTED: YES
Supervisor Conway	VOTED: YES
Councilor Grant	VOTED: YES
Councilor Tierney	VOTED: YES

57-2017 A Resolution Authorizing Research of Refinancing Options for 2008 issued Rensselaer County Water and Sewer Authority (RCWSA) Debt

WHEREAS, in 2008 the Rensselaer County Water and Sewer Authority issued debt and entered into a service agreement with the Town to provide water and sewer funds to the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Town may have cost saving options to refinance this debt either with NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation or other commercial debt markets due to lower rates; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has confirmed that the financial impact of this resolution has the potential for significant costs savings if the current service payment costs are replaced with a debt payment schedule at lower interest rates that can be included in financial statements;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby directs the Comptroller to research refinancing options for the 2008 RCWSA debt, and report on his findings to the Board at the regularly scheduled pre-Board meeting of the Town Board to be held on June 14, 2017.

The foregoing resolution was duly moved by Councilor Tierney and seconded by Councilor Grant and brought to a vote resulting as follows:

Councilor Tierney	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Grant	VOTED:	YES
Supervisor Conway	VOTED:	YES
Councilor DiMartino	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Matters	VOTED:	YES

58-2017 A Resolution in Support of Consistent State Funding for Local Infrastructure Maintenance and Improvements

WHEREAS, communities within the State of New York maintain extensive networks of intertwined infrastructure that is critical to public health, and to the state and local economies; and

WHEREAS, many municipalities are responsible for water systems, sewer systems, storm water facilities, and other infrastructure which were constructed decades ago under earlier regulatory standards; and

WHEREAS, these systems are owned and maintained at various levels of government, but require consistent maintenance, monitoring and upgrades; and

WHEREAS, while the State of New York provides application based funding assistance on a case by case basis, the need for improvements to the State's infrastructure impacts the public health of all of our communities on an annual basis; and

WHEREAS, the State initiated the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPs) in 1981, which provides consistent funding assistance for the maintenance of local roads; and

WHEREAS, the CHIPs Program provides a successful model for the distribution of statewide assistance through a fair and equitable formula that can ensure that every municipality receives funding assistance for sanitary sewer, drinking water and storm systems; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller confirms that this resolution will not have a material impact on the Towns finances;

now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush hereby supports a New York State annual infrastructure funding program to provide a fair and equitable formula to distribute funds to municipalities to ensure the integrity and solidity of municipal infrastructure; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby urges the adoption of Senate Bill 3292 (Tedisco) and Assembly Bill 3907 (Steck) which would establish such a program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, State Senator Kathleen Marchione and member of Assembly Steve McLaughlin.

The foregoing resolution was duly moved by Councilor Tierney and seconded by Councilor Grant and brought to a vote resulting as follows:

Councilor Tierney	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Grant	VOTED:	YES
Supervisor Conway	VOTED:	YES
Councilor DiMartino	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Matters	VOTED:	YES

59-2017 A Resolution to Amend Resolution 07-2017 Authorizing the Supervisor to Enter into Agreements for Sewer Services with Individuals/Entities

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush, County of Rensselaer, State of New York, does annually enter into an Agreement for Sewer Services with individuals/entities who reside in the Town of Schodack; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board does annually enter into an Agreement for Sewer Services with the following individuals/entities: Dean and Doris Calamaras; Willard L. Clum, Jr.; Karen Hynes; Vincent E. Sturn and Mary A. Sturn; Love Lutheran Church; Love Lutheran Parsonage and Rita Bernardo; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 07-2017 named the aforementioned individuals/entities but did not take into account the sale of two properties and the transfer of these bills to the new owners; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is desirous of continuing to provide sewer service to these two properties; and

WHEREAS, all of the aforementioned individuals and the new owners are provided sewer service by the Town of East Greenbush's General Sewer District, which received a 69% rate increase in 2016, which will be charged to these individuals/entities beginning in May, 2017; and

WHEREAS, there was a transposition error in the billing amount listed in Resolution 07-2017 that indicated that the last three payments for 2017 would be charged in the amount of \$288.57 instead of the correct amount of \$288.75; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has confirmed that none of the provisions of this proposed Board action will have a material impact to the Town's finances;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the names of Willard L. Clum, Jr. and Karen Hynes are deleted from the list of individuals/entities who will receive sewer service from the Town of East Greenbush; and hait further

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the names of Anthony and Samantha Ayala and Sean and Amy Patmer be added to the list of individuals/entities who will receive sewer service from the Town of East Greenbush;

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor of the Town of East Greenbush is hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement for the General Sewer District connections of the aforementioned, at a sum not to exceed One Thousand and Thirty Seven Dollars (\$1,037.00) each; said Agreement to be valid throughout the year 2017 and to expire on December 31, 2017, and that these charges shall be billed to the owner in four installments in the amount of \$170.75 during the month of February 2017, and three equal installments of \$288.75 for each of May 2017, August 2017, and November 2017.

The foregoing resolution was duly moved by Supervisor Conway and seconded by Councilor Matters and brought to a vote as follows:

Supervisor Conway	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Matters	VOTED:	YES
Councilor DiMartino	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Grant	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Tierney	VOTED:	YES

60-2017 A Resolution Accepting the Resignation of Leighton Cookson as a Member of the Board of Assessment Review

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2016 Leighton Cookson was appointed to the Town of East Greenbush's Board of Assessment Review via Resolution 77-2016 for a term to expire on September 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cookson was also appointed to the Town's Board of Ethics as an alternate member via Resolution 13-2017 on January 18, 2017; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Cookson has expressed his concern that it may be a conflict of interest to serve on both boards at the same time and has submitted a letter of resignation;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush accepts the resignation of Leighton Cookson from the Board of Assessment Review and thanks him for his

service and his willingness to continue to serve the Town as an alternate member of the Board of Ethics.

This resolution was duly moved by Councilor Matters and seconded by Supervisor Conway and brought to a vote resulting as follows:

Councilor Matters	VOTED:	YES
Supervisor Conway	VOTED:	YES
Councilor DiMartino	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Grant	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Tierney	VOTED:	YES

61-2017 A Resolution to Make Appointments to the Board of Assessment Review WHEREAS, the Board of Assessment Review is essential to the public process of

determining the outcome of resident appeals on the assessed value of their homes; and

WHEREAS, there has been one resignation from the board and one term has expired, there is a need for two residents to be appointed to the Board of Assessment Review, one for the full five year term and one to complete a term that expires on September 30, 2018;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that William L. Siegmann be appointed to the Board of Assessment Review for a term to expire on September 30, 2018;

and be it further

RESOLVED, that Barbara Anne Cavallo be appointed to the Board of Assessment Review for a term to expire on September 30, 2021,

The foregoing resolution was duly moved by Councilor Matters and seconded by Councilor DiMartino and brought to a vote resulting as follows:

Councilor Matters	VOTED:	YES
Councilor DiMartino	VOTED:	YES
Supervisor Conway	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Grant	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Tierney	VOTED:	YES

62-2017 A Resolution to Acquire Two Police Patrol Vehicles

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Town to maintain its police vehicles in a safe and mechanically efficient condition; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has reported that two of the Town's police patrol vehicles are reaching the end of their mechanical usefulness and are in need of replacement, and

WHEREAS, Beyer-Warnock Fleet Sales of East Hanover New Jersey, an authorized New York State OGS Contractor and Westchester County Contractor, has quoted a one-time total cost of \$38,112.30 each for two new 2017 Ford Police Interceptor Utility Vehicles, and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller confirms that the financial impact of this

resolution is approximately \$76,224.60 from the General Restricted Fund Police Forfeiture Funds for this expense as illustrated below;

Fund	Transfer in	Transfer out
A899 – General Restricted Fund Balance (Police Forfeiture Funds from 2626		\$76,224.60
Revenue) 3120.4– Police C/E	\$76 224 60	
3120.4– Police C/E	\$76,224.60	

now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Comptroller is authorized to perform the fund transfer described herein,

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the proposed quote of Beyer-Warnock Fleet Sales be and hereby is accepted. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The foregoing resolution was duly moved by Supervisor Conway and seconded by Councilor Grant and brought to a vote resulting as follows:

Supervisor Conway	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Grant	VOTED:	YES
Councilor DiMartino	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Matters	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Tierney	VOTED:	YES

63-2017 A Resolution Authorizing the Commissioner of Public Works to Issue a Request for Proposals to Provide Engineering, Operational, Planning and Financial Evaluations for Long-Term Solutions to Upgrade and Maintain the Hampton Manor Water Treatment and Distribution System

WHEREAS, this resolution was not able to be submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting of March 8, 2017 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on March 13, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush wishes to consider options for improving the quality of the water in Hampton Manor; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board held two public meetings and conducted a survey of water issues with the residents of Hampton Manor; and

WHEREAS, the Hampton Manor Water System serves approximately 671 service connections for a population of 2,240 people with two groundwater wells and separate storage tanks of 60,000 and 140,000 gallons; and

WHEREAS, residents and consulting engineers have identified water quality issues including, but not limited to, high hardness, iron, discoloration and poor taste; and

WHEREAS, the Hampton Manor Water System and its facilities are amenable to be connected to the Town's General Water System which is provided its water under contract with the City of Troy; and

WHEREAS; the Town has determined that additional data collection and analysis is required to inform the decision making process; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller confirms that this resolution will not have a material impact on the Towns finances;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush authorizes the Commissioner of Public Works to Issue a Request for Proposal to provide engineering, operational, planning and financial evaluations for long-term solutions to upgrade and maintain the Hampton Manor Water Treatment and Distribution System.

This resolution was duly moved by Supervisor Conway and seconded by Councilor Tierney and brought to a vote resulting as follows:

Supervisor Conway	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Tierney	VOTED:	YES
Councilor DiMartino	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Matters	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Grant	VOTED:	YES

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Supervisor Conway seconded by Councilor Grant and brought to a vote as follows:

Supervisor Conway	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Grant	VOTED:	YES
Councilor DiMartino	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Matters	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Tierney	VOTED:	YES