



The Town of East Greenbush

225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, New York 12144

TOWN BOARD MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING August 9, 2023

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The following is a summary of the Town Board Meeting as recorded by the Town Clerk.

Call to Order 6:03 PM
Pledge of Allegiance
Town Board Meeting:

Members of Town Board

Present	Absent	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Supervisor J. Conway
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Councilor T. Tierney
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Councilor H. Kennedy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilor B. Fritz
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilor E. Nestler

Schedule of Meeting:

The Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush will hold a Special Meeting on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at East Greenbush Town Hall, 225 Columbia Turnpike in the Town of East Greenbush to make an appointment to the position of Deputy Commissioner for Water and Sewer in the Department of Public Works and to attend to any other business that may be brought to the Board's attention. This Special Meeting will run concurrently with the Pre-Board meeting scheduled for the same time on that evening.

Open Public Privilege:

Residents presented their comments to the Town Board.

175-2023 A Resolution to Appoint Gene Hutchings to the Position of Deputy Commissioner for Water and Sewer in the Department of Public Works

WHEREAS, since the retirement of our Chief Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, we have been struggling to meet the requirements of our NYSDEC permit, which requires a Treatment Plant Operator with at least a Grade 3A Operator’s License; and

WHEREAS, the Town Code permits the Town to hire a Deputy Commissioner for Water and Sewer; and

WHEREAS, the Town has done two exhaustive searches for a new Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator and has finally found the outstanding candidate required to run such a complex operation; and

WHEREAS, Gene Hutchings possesses a New York State Grade 4A Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator (license # 13778); and has nearly ten years of experience at operating municipal wastewater treatment plants, including the Village of Clinton, the City of Amsterdam and the Saratoga County Sewer District; and

WHEREAS, Gene Hutchings was interviewed by the Town Supervisor, Commissioner of Public Works, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Finance, and this group recommended that Mr. Hutchings be interviewed by the Town Board, which has now been accomplished; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller confirms that this resolution will have a material impact on the Town’s finances to be funded;

Fund	Transfer In	Transfer Out
A917 General Fund Balance		\$40,000
14901.01.001.00 Public Works Admin	\$40,000	

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush does hereby appoint Gene Hutchings to the position of Deputy Commissioner for Water and Sewer in the Department of Public Works at an annual salary of \$100,000.00;

and be it further

RESOLVED, that this appointment will take effect on August 15, 2023.

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

Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED: YES
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED: YES
Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED: *ABSENT
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED: *ABSENT
Councilor E. Nestler	VOTED: YES

*Provided written permission in supporting this appointment.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED: YES
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED: YES
Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED: ABSENT

Councilor H. Kennedy
Councilor E. Nestler

VOTED: ABSENT
VOTED: YES

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Pangburn
East Greenbush Town Clerk

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