

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the regular Town Board Meeting held on November 18, 2020 are hereby approved as submitted.

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

Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

245-2020 A Resolution to Schedule the 2021 Organizational Meeting

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush is required to schedule an Organizational Meeting for 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller confirms that this resolution will have no material impact on the Town's finances;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush shall conduct the 2021 Organizational Meeting at 6:00 PM on Monday, January 4, 2021 at the East Greenbush Town Hall, 225 Columbia Turnpike in the Town of East Greenbush, County of Rensselaer and State of New York;

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk of the Town of East Greenbush is hereby authorized and directed to give notice of such Organizational Meeting.

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

Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

246-2020 A Resolution Authorizing the Supervisor to Sign a 2021 Animal Shelter Agreement with Mohawk and Hudson River Humane Society

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town has certain statutory obligations relating to dogs, pursuant to the Agricultural and Markets Law; and

WHEREAS, such duties include the obligation to seize certain dogs, and to assure that the dogs are properly sheltered, fed and watered; and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Greenbush desires to enter into an agreement for such services for 2021 with the Mohawk Hudson Humane Society; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has confirmed that this resolution will not have a material impact on the Town's finances;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to enter into an agreement for services in 2021 with the Mohawk Hudson Humane Society, upon approval as to form by the attorney to the Town.

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

Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

**247-2020 A Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Rensselaer County
Concerning 2020 and 2021 Snow and Ice Removal**

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, this agreement between the Town of East Greenbush and Rensselaer County for the Town to provide snow and ice removal on certain county roads has existed since 2000; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of East Greenbush and will provide more responsive service during snow and ice storm conditions; and

WHEREAS, continuance of the co-operative agreement is in the best interest of our community; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has confirmed that this resolution has no material impact on to the Town's finances; and

WHEREAS, we have negotiated an agreement with the Rensselaer County Highway Department concerning said snow and ice removal for the 2020 ó 2021 season;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Supervisor is authorized to enter into an agreement with Rensselaer County concerning snow and ice removal for Phillips Road, Sherwood Avenue, Hampton Avenue and Old Red Mill Road as defined in Schedule A of said agreement.

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

Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

248-2020 A Resolution Authorizing the Solicitation of Bids for a Pickup Truck for the Water Department

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Greenbush Water Department has a need for a new Pickup Truck to replace the current Pickup Truck which has been in service since 2012 and is used on a daily basis for maintaining and reading water meters; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public works has developed specifications for a pickup truck that will perform the aforementioned functions and has requested monies in the 2021 budget for purchase of this item; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller confirms this resolution has no material impact at this time because it is merely requesting the authority to solicit bids; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board Authorizes the Director of Finance to Solicit Bids for procurement of a new Pickup Truck for the Water Department.

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

Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

249-2020 A Resolution Authorizing Grinding of Wood and Brush

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Greenbush Transfer Station receives wood and brush from the residents and from the City of Rensselaer; and

WHEREAS, the wood and brush must be ground and removed from the Town of East Greenbush Transfer Station when deemed necessary by the Commissioner of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rensselaer is responsible to pay for half of the cost of grinding and hauling this material away; and

WHEREAS, the Town solicited bids and received one bid submission from Troy Sand and Gravel in the amount of \$35,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Greenbush Purchasing Policy requires purchases of \$10,000 or more require approval by the Town Board, and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has confirmed that the financial impact of this resolution is \$35,000 from the Transfer Station account for this expense, with an anticipated \$17,500.00 in revenue from the City of Rensselaer for their half of the cost;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Commissioner of Public Works to contract with Troy Sand and Gravel to grind the wood and brush, and remove it from the Transfer Station to a permitted dump site in an amount not to exceed \$35,000.00.

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

Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

250-2020 A Resolution to Appoint Gary S. Blowers to the Position of Laborer in the Department of Public Works

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works has an existing vacancy for the position of Laborer at the Transfer Station; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public Works reviewed our file with applications for jobs within the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, Applications were received and reviewed, and an interview conducted by the Commissioner of Public Works, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works and the Highway General Foreman; and

WHEREAS, Gary S. Blowers was unanimously selected as the most qualified candidate for the position due to his experience in the public works field; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has confirmed that this appointment can be funded with the 2020 budget code 81601.01.01;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board confirms the appointment of Gary S. Blowers to the position of Laborer in the Department of Public Works, Transfer Station, at the rate of \$21.2326 per hour as specified by the CSEA Collective Bargaining Agreement. This appointment will be effective as of December 22nd, 2020.

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

Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

251-2020 A Resolution to Accept the Comprehensive Plan Update Recommended by the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee, to Initiate the Required Environmental Review Under SEQRA Referral Required Under Town Law Section 272-a, and Schedule a Public Hearing to Receive Public Comment on the Proposed Comprehensive Plan

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Greenbush is currently in the process of updating the Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution number 21-2019, the Town Board authorized creation of the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee (CPSC) as a special board under Section 272-a of the NYS Town Law to prepare a proposed comprehensive plan or amendment thereto and appointed members to join the CPSC; and

WHEREAS, the CPSC has prepared a Comprehensive Plan that involved the consideration of substantial public engagement including an online community survey, two public open houses, stakeholder group meetings, and a public hearing, as required under Town Law Section 272-a; and

WHEREAS, at its meeting on November 24, 2020 the CPSC by a Resolution duly adopted by the CPSC recommended the Comprehensive Plan to the Town Board for its consideration and potential adoption in accordance with Town Law Section 272-a;

WHEREAS, Town Law Section 272-a requires that the Town Board conduct a Public Hearing prior to adoption of such proposed plan or amendment and that the proposed Comprehensive Plan be referred to the County planning agency for review and recommendation, as required by Section 239-m of the General Municipal Law; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), adoption of a Comprehensive Plan by the Town Board is classified as a Type 1 action;

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has determined that this resolution will not have a material impact on the Town's Finances;
now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Town of East Greenbush hereby accepts the proposed Comprehensive Plan prepared by the CPSC; and
be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board acknowledges substantial effort put forth by the CPSC volunteers in the course of preparing the Plan, and hereby expresses its gratitude for their time and hard work;
be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby classifies adoption of the proposed Comprehensive Plan as a Type 1 action under SEQRA and directs that the required coordinated review with involved agencies initiated; and
be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board shall hold a Public Hearing on the proposed Comprehensive Plan adoption at 6:00 PM on January 13, 2021 at the East Greenbush Town Hall located at 225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, New York or by remote means.

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

Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

252-2020 A Resolution Accepting the Resignation of Dalia Szarowicz

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Planner Dalia Szarowicz has now accepted employment with the City of Buffalo, NY and submitted her resignation to the Town; and

WHEREAS, this Board extends its good wishes to Dalia Szarowicz, for the successful pursuit of her future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller confirms that the provisions of this resolution will have no material impact on the Town's finances;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the resignation of Dalia Szarowicz is hereby accepted, effective December 18, 2020.

The foregoing resolution was duly moved by Councilor Tierney and seconded by Councilor Fritz and voted as follows:

Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

253-2020 A Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Essential Equipment to Outfit the Police K-9 Patrol vehicle

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has recommended the purchase of the lights and sirens, push bumper, graphics and lettering for the 2021 Chevy Tahoe Police K-9 vehicle to the Town Board as necessary equipment that will outfit the East Greenbush Police Department's K-9 vehicle as deemed necessary for the use of the said vehicle in the performance of the K-9 officers lawful duties in enforcing the laws of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board agrees with the Chief of Police that these are important pieces of safety equipment in realizing its commitment to public safety in the Town of East Greenbush; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Town's Purchasing Policy, the Town requested quotes from three different vendors; the lowest response quote came from Niskayuna Tire & Service INC., for light bar lights, sirens, emergency lights, a push bumper, a console and lettering and graphics; and

WHEREAS, quote #3812 as submitted by Niskayuna Tire & Service INC. in the amount of \$9,503.59; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller confirms that funding for K9 Vehicle outfitting will be from the K9 Donation Fund 3010.4. This fund consists of donations from Regeneron, the Public and anticipated Stanton Grant funding.

	Transfer Out	Transfer In
2707.01 ó K9 Donations	\$9,503.59	
3010.4 ó K9 Expenses		\$9,503.59

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush authorizes the expenditure of \$9,503.59 to purchase of the safety equipment as described above.

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

Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

254-2020 A Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Essential Equipment to Outfit the Police K-9 Patrol vehicle

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has recommended the purchase of the K-9 Transport System with the No K-9 left behind option for the 2021 Chevy Tahoe Police K-9 vehicle to the Town Board as necessary equipment that will outfit the East Greenbush Police Department's K-9 vehicle as deemed necessary for the use and safety of the K9, and in the performance of the K-9 officer's lawful duties in enforcing the laws of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board agrees with the Chief of Police that these are important pieces of safety equipment in realizing its commitment to public safety in the Town of East Greenbush; and

WHEREAS in accordance with the Town's Purchasing Policy, the Town requested quotes from three different vendors; the lowest response quote came from Niskayuna Tire & Service INC., for the K-9 Transport System with the No K-9 left behind option; and

WHEREAS, quote #3813 as submitted by Niskayuna Tire & Service INC. in the amount of \$9,605.00; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller confirms that funding for K9 Vehicle outfitting will be from the K9 Donation Fund 3010.4. This fund consists of donations from Regeneron, the Public and anticipated Stanton Grant funding.

	Transfer Out	Transfer In
2707.01 ó K9 Donations	\$9,503.59	
30104.01 ó K9 Expenses		\$9,503.59

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush authorizes the expenditure of \$9,605.00 to purchase the K-9 essential equipment as described above.

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

Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

255-2020 A Resolution to Approve the Annual Appointment of Part-time Police Department Interns

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town currently retains the services of Part-time Police Department Interns throughout the year to assist in addressing the backlog of preventative maintenance of records, purging of records and compliance with new judicial reforms; and

WHEREAS, these individuals currently have prior experience with the Town, have the ability to handle confidential and sensitive information; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has confirmed that the provisions of this resolution were planned for in the current Budget and will have no material impact on the Town Finances; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that on the recommendation of the Chief of Police the Town Board confirms the appointment for hours worked, hours paid, with no benefits, of Paige Breig, Seana Yeates and Cole Daniels effective January 1, 2021 at the rate of \$11.80 per hour. The total amount of this resolution is not to exceed \$10,000 as reflected in the 2021 budget. All appointments are consistent with all terms and conditions as previously set forth by the Town Board, for a term to expire at the Town's next organizational meeting, or otherwise at the pleasure of the Town Board,

Seana Yeates	Paige Breig	Cole Daniels
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and be it further

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

Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED:
Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED:

256-2020 A Resolution to Approve the Annual Appointment of Part-time Police Dispatchers

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 11th, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town currently retains the services of Part-time Police Dispatchers in the Emergency Communications Center; and

WHEREAS, these individuals currently meet the presumptive, non-competitive qualifications for this title as established by the Rensselaer County Civil Service Commission and whose names are listed in this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has certified that the provisions of this resolution were planned for in the current Budget and will have no material impact on the Town Finances; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that on the recommendation of the Chief of Police, each of the individuals so listed be, and the same hereby is appointed to the position of Part-time Police Dispatcher, consistent with all terms and conditions as previously set forth by the Town Board, for a term to expire at the Town's next Organizational Meeting, or otherwise at the pleasure of the Town Board,

Timothy E. Boel	Steven C. Schongar
Michael J. Benson	Daniel P. Farnan
Robert G. Lehmann	Jeffrey G. Tooker
Cody M. Seeberger	Jakeb Boniface
Kara Blakeman	

and be it further

RESOLVED, that said part-time dispatchers be compensated as set forth in the appropriate Collective Bargaining Agreement.

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

Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED:
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Councilor R. Matters VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway VOTED:

257-2020 A Resolution to Schedule the Continuance of the Public Hearing for a Proposed Local Law Amending Section 2.7.3(B) of the Comprehensive Zoning Law to Provide that a Religious Facility Will be a Permitted Use Within the Commercial Business District (B-2)

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time to be considered on the regularly scheduled pre-board meeting December 9th, 2020 and was subsequently presented to the Town Board on December 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2020 the Town Board opened a Public Hearing to consider a proposed local law amending section 2.7.3(B) of the Comprehensive Zoning Law, to provide that religious facilities will be a permitted use within the commercial business district (B-2); however, in order to receive comments from the East Greenbush Planning Board as well as the impact of social distancing and other requirements occasioned by the Covid-19 emergency impacting public participation, it was decided that the public hearing should remain open so that more residents could be given the opportunity to comment; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has determined that this resolution will not have a material impact on the Town's Finances;
now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush schedules the continuation of the public hearing to consider a proposed local law amending section 2.7.3(B) of the Comprehensive Zoning Law, to provide that religious facilities will be a permitted use within the commercial business district (B-2) on for Wednesday, January 20, 2021 at 6: 30 p.m. at the East Greenbush Town Hall located at 225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, New York or by remote means.

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

Councilor T. Tierney VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway VOTED:

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Councilor Tierney and seconded by Councilor Kennedy and brought to a vote as follows:

Councilor T. Tierney VOTED:
Councilor H. Kennedy VOTED:
Councilor R. Matters VOTED:
Councilor B. Fritz VOTED:
Supervisor J. Conway VOTED: