



The Town of East Greenbush

225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, New York 12144

TOWN BOARD PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES February 10, 2021

Call to Order 6:40 PM
Pledge of Allegiance
Town Board Meeting:

Members of Town Board

Present Absent

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Supervisor J. Conway
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilor T. Tierney
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilor H. Kennedy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilor R. Matters
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilor B. Fritz

Schedule of Meeting:

The Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush, County of Rensselaer, State of New York, will hold a Public Hearing on the 10th day of February, 2021, at 6:40 p.m. in the evening of said day, at the Town Hall, 225 Columbia Turnpike, in East Greenbush, New York or by virtual means, to consider the entry into a new contract between the Town of East Greenbush and the Best Luther Fire Company, Inc. which agreement will include certain conditions as set forth in the proposed contract and the payment of the sum of \$142,000.00 by the Town of East Greenbush to the Best Luther Fire Company, Inc. for such Fire Protection.

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. All speakers must conduct themselves in a civil manner. Personal attacks will not be tolerated.

Spoke in support of this contract:

Chris Glander, Firefighter and Board of Director – proudly served the community this last year during difficult times during COVID. Mentioned new truck specifically designed for this district and lack of hydrant systems.

Chief Chuck Milkiewicz – Supports this contract. Noted the hard year last year and having a record number of calls, 157. Mentioned additional services each year and adding a 3,000 gallon tanker, ten EMT’s, along with other training programs/classes.

Jean Schweigert – Part of the board, firefighter and EMT. Expressed how difficult 2020 was. Mentioned how very hard the board worked in getting a budget that will help fire department to move on and move forward. Thanked the board for listening and taking this into consideration.

John Staugaitis, resident, 25th year with Best Luther Fire Department and on his third set of gear, having to be changed out every ten years. Proud to be wearing a new set of gear. Part of an amazing team and do what needs to be done, whenever it needs to be done. Thanked the town for previous support and encouraged continue support.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Respectfully,

Ellen Pangburn
East Greenbush Town Clerk