



# The Town of East Greenbush

225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, New York 12144

## TOWN BOARD MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING July 30, 2024

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

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**Call to Order** **6:00 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 H. Kennedy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilor E. Nestler
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Councilor R. Matters
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Councilor J. McHugh

### Schedule of Meeting:

### NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

The Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush will hold a Special Meeting on Tuesday, July 30, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at East Greenbush Town Hall, 225 Columbia Turnpike in the Town of East Greenbush to consider an extension of the comment period for the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) and any other matters that may be brought to the Board's attention.

**Open Public Privilege:** None.

**177-2024 A Resolution to Extend the Public Comment Period for the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) for Zoning Text and Map Amendments and Subdivision Regulation Amendments**

**WHEREAS**, on May 19, 2021, the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush passed Resolution #136-2021 adopting the 2021 Comprehensive Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 Comprehensive Plan identifies recommendations for future land uses within the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, all Town land use regulations must be in accordance with the adopted Comprehensive Plan in accordance with NYS Town Law §272-a.11.a; and

**WHEREAS**, adoption of zoning amendments is a Type 1 action pursuant to the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), 6 NYCRR 617.4(b)(2) requiring coordinated review; and

**WHEREAS**, on February 8, 2023, the Town Board initiated the required coordinated review with involved agencies to declare and serve as lead agency under SEQRA per Resolution #20-2023; and

**WHEREAS**, no objections were received from involved agencies within the 30 day period to the Town Board serving as lead agency; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to SEQRA, the Town Board has prepared and completed Parts 1, 2 and 3 of the Full Environmental Assessment Form (FEAF); and the Board has duly reviewed the FEAF and has considered the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR §617.7(c) to determine whether the proposed action will have a significant impact on the environment; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 15, 2023 per Resolution #62-2023 the Town Board determined the proposed adoption of the zoning text and map and subdivision regulations amendments may have a significant adverse impact on the environment; that the Town Board adopts the findings and conclusion relating to probable environmental impacts contained within the FEAF and Positive Declaration and initiated the preparation of a Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS); declared a Positive Declaration and initiated preparation of a draft Scoping Document; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 30, 2023 the Town Board held a public scoping session pursuant to 6 NYCRR §617.8 to provide an opportunity for public participation and allowed for written comments to be received until April 7, 2023 and duly noticed said public scoping session and made available the draft scope to all involved or interested agencies and considered all public input received; and

**WHEREAS**, after consideration of public comments received, the Town Board adopted by resolution the final Scoping Document on April 19, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, that based upon the Final Scoping Document adopted by the Town Board on April 19, 2023, the Town Board caused the preparation of the DGEIS by its consultants, MJ Engineering; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 19, 2024 per Resolution #147-2024 the Town Board deemed the DGEIS complete for the purposes of commencing public review pursuant to 6 NYCRR 617.12, commenced the public comment period to begin on June 19, 2024 and to end on July 31, 2024 to allow the public the opportunity to comment on the DGEIS, and scheduled a public hearing on the DGEIS for July 17, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 17, 2024 the Town Board held a public hearing on the DGEIS and heard all in attendance who chose to submit comments to speak in favor or against the proposed DGEIS; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board intends to ensure adequate time to allow for the public to review the proposed DGEIS developed in response to the Town’s proposed Zoning Text and Map Amendments and Subdivision Regulation Amendments in accordance with the Final Scoping Document; and

**WHEREAS**, the Director of Finance confirms that this resolution will not have a material impact on the Town’s finances;  
now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that the Town Board hereby extends the end of the written public comment period for the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement developed as a result of the Town’s proposed Zoning Text and Map Amendments and Subdivision Regulation Amendments from July 31, 2024, to August 14, 2024 to allow the public additional time to review the documents and submit written public comments to the Town Planning Department via email at [jgiller@eastgreenbush.org](mailto:jgiller@eastgreenbush.org) or via U.S. Mail at 225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, NY 12144

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

Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED: YES
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED: YES
Councilor E. Nestler	VOTED: YES
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED: YES
Councilor J. McHugh	VOTED: ABSENT

#### **ADJOURNMENT – 6:03 PM**

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

Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED: YES
Councilor E. Nestler	VOTED: YES
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED: YES
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED: YES
Councilor J. McHugh	VOTED: ABSENT

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Pangburn  
East Greenbush Town Clerk

Approved: August 21, 2024