



The Town of East Greenbush

225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, New York 12144

TOWN BOARD MINUTES PUBLIC HEARING June 12, 2024

The following is a summary of the Town Board Public Hearing as recorded by the Town Clerk. A transcription to follow.

To view a recording of the full meeting, please see Town Hall Streams link below:

https://townhallstreams.com/stream.php?location_id=119&id=60792

Or visit Town of East Greenbush Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/TownofEG/videos/443458531652561>

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance
Town Board Meeting:

6:00 PM

Members of Town Board

Present

Absent

Supervisor J. Conway
Councilor H. Kennedy
Councilor E. Nestler
Councilor R. Matters
Councilor J. McHugh

Schedule of Meeting:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the East Greenbush Town Board shall hold a public hearing on June 12, 2024, at 6:00 P.M., at the East Greenbush Town Hall located at 225 Columbia Turnpike in the Town of East Greenbush, to receive comments from the public about a proposed local law as follows:

A Local Law regulating the towing of vehicles from private property in the Town of East Greenbush.

The proposed local law would impose certain restrictions upon the operator/owners of parking facilities within the Town of East Greenbush, relating to their ability to direct the towing of vehicles from their facilities without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle. Specifically, the parking facility owner would be required to install signage at the entrance of a parking facility, and throughout the parking facility, stating the hours during which parked vehicles might be towed; the cost of the tow to be paid by the vehicle owner; the name, address, and phone number of the commercial tower towing vehicles; the location where the vehicle is to be towed, and the parking facility owner's name, address, and phone number. The parking facility owner would be required to have a written agreement with any commercial tower authorized to take vehicles off the parking facility. The proposed local law sets forth the requirements for that agreement, and a requirement that a copy of that agreement must be filed with the East Greenbush Police Department. The local law further provides that commercial towers must enter into that written agreement with the facility owner, and that the owner of a facility, or a representative, must be present when the vehicle is towed and must request that a particular vehicle be seized or towed. The tower must then notify the East Greenbush Police Department by telephone of the tow, and provide a copy of a written tow authorization. The proposed local law provides for a cap on storage fees of \$20.00 per day, which fee cannot be collected on days in which the vehicle is not available for pick-up from the commercial tower. The local law further provides for fines for violating this local law, and authorizes the Town Board to seek injunctive relief against parties violating this law.

A copy of the proposed local law may be inspected at the Office of the Town Clerk during regular business hours. In addition, a copy of the proposed local law is also available on the Town's website at:

www.eastgreenbush.org

***Open Public Privilege:** Several individuals presented their comments to the Town Board.

*Transcription of Public Hearing to follow.

ADJOURNMENT – 6:55 PM

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

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

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Pangburn
East Greenbush Town Clerk