

The Town of East Greenbush

225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, New York 12144

TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES April 15, 2020

Call to Order Pledge of Allegiance Town Board Meeting: 7:00 PM

Members of Town Board				
Present	Absent			
		Supervisor J. Conway		
		Councilor T. Tierney		
\boxtimes		Councilor H. Kennedy		
\boxtimes		Councilor R. Matters		
		Councilor B. Fritz		

The resolutions below are provided to the Town Board in advance of the Official Town Board Meeting to allow time for review and research. The purpose of the Pre-Board Meeting is for the Town Board to publicly discuss resolutions and ask any questions, so they may receive information needed to make an informed decision at the Town Board Meeting.

Justice Court update: The East Greenbush Justice Court continues to be available to hear essential court matters including arraignments and issuing orders of protection. All non-essential functions of the town court are postponed.

East Greenbush Town Court has been selected based upon jurisdictional geography to conduct after hour arraignments and when needed for orders of protections. Town Justice Jessica Mocerine is one of five Rensselaer County Judges assigned. Judge Mocerine is currently handling these virtual arraignments via Skype with equipment provided by the court system. Judge Mocerine hears these applications after hours and on weekends.

If you have any questions regarding a pending court matter please contact town court staff or the visit the town website regarding the court.

Town Board Comments:

Councilor Tierney – expressed her admiration and gratitude for our essential staff and those in town, throughout our region, state and country. Stated we continue to see acts of generosity and kindness as well as stress and uncertainty. Mentioned if anyone is in need of support in any way

to please reach out and town staff will help support you. Residents wanting to check on status on their stimulus check, you may go to IRS.gov. Extended "Thank You" to our town staff. Stated in running with Town Supervisor, one goal set was to make good and fair hiring decisions. Shown to be evident in ways each department has risen to these new challenges and continue to do their work under challenging schedules and environments. Extended thanks to Adam Yagelski for his expertise and thoroughness ensuring business continues with Zoom capabilities and policies. Also thanked Dan Fiacco for managing a very large department, responding to priorities with concern for staff safety. Thanked Sue McCarthy after receiving compliment on her behalf for her ability to complete a task and provide reassurance to a resident. Councilor Tierney mentioned she and her family continue to physically distance, trying to find the bright spots, and look forward to a better normal.

Councilor Kennedy - Our town Community and Recreation Department is hosting Trivia night Friday night via Zoom, 7:00-8:00 PM. Contact Mike Martin if interested. Email him at mmartin@eastgreenush.org or message him via Town of East Greenbush Community and Recreation Department Facebook page. Great response already. Extended congratulations CHS Sophomore, Michael Altomer, as he was selected for the Times Union D1 All Star Wrestling Second Team. Acknowledged her gratitude and thanks to town employees, essential workers, first responders and healthcare workers for being on the front lines and keeping us safe and our town operating. Announced Police Department is also hosting Porch Decoration Contest. See EGPD Facebook page for additional information. Photo and Theme Contest and prizes to be given for top 3 winners.

Supervisor Conway – For the record, the Town Board has challenged the Police Department in a trivia contest.

Councilor Matters – Agreed with Councilor Tierney and Councilor Kennedy comments for capturing everything that should be lauded at this point on part of the town. Added that town employees would like to be back to work. Commended essential workers in Town Hall now who are multitasking in ways that no one would have expected. This meeting would not be possible without Adam Yagelski. In this state of uncertainty, thinking we'll be returning back to normal routines in a very gradual manner with stringent protocols. Stressed continuance of social distancing until a vaccine is available. Thanked Supervisor for dealing with responsibilities locally how he knows best.

Councilor Fritz – Extended appreciation to essential workers. Mentioned good social distancing practices and to keep working at it all together.

Supervisor Conway - Mentioned receiving statistics from Rensselaer County. One statistic is that we have received six unattended deaths in our county. Reminded residents to check on relatives and neighbors, while still maintaining distance to make sure people are ok. Stated Census people want you to know that 58.5% of East Greenbush residents have self-responded to Census – Supervisor is proud to be among them. Contact My2020Census.gov to fill out Census. Supervisors encourages residents to do so.

Mentioned every day the County Executive does Facebook Live at 4:00. Tomorrow at 4:30 is Special on Small Businesses on Rensselaer County page.

Dan Fiacco, Commissioner is DPW, keeping busy trying to maximize productivity with staff. Department of Public Works is open for business.

Police Department is open for business. Wished Chief a Happy Birthday.

Town Hall staff have gone above and beyond. We're slowly bringing everything back. We're learning, getting better equipped to work remotely, mastering technology, and spacing staff out. Comptroller has to submit AUD (annual financial update) by May 1, 2020 – working weekends. Alison Lovely in Planning and Zoning has been working nights. Mentioned at the direction of Dan Fiacco, Town Hall is being painted and will have new carpet.

Regarding COVID-19, we have 25 positive cases in town and 1 fatality. Age range is 9 to 97.

From the Town of East Greenbush, we're doing the business tonight. Planning and Zoning Department is open. Building Department is open. Assessor's Office will have preliminary roll on May 1st. Water bills have gone out. Toni Murphy, Receiver of Taxes, has collected all taxes. Ellen Pangburn, Town Clerk, continues to work more hours than she should. She now has a laptop so can keep safe while working part time remotely at home. Staff in Justice Court office three mornings each week. Some limitations, however, everything is moving. Extended thanks to Town staff and the Town Board through this dilemma.

Schedule of Meeting:

82-2020 A Resolution to Approve Meeting Minutes

WHEREAS, the minutes of Town Board meetings, as provided in §106 of Article 7 of the New York Public Officers Law, shall be approved by the Board prior to them being finalized, deemed official and disseminated to the public by the Town Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the minutes of the regular Town Board Meeting held on March 18, 2020 have been presented; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has reviewed these minutes and any necessary corrections have been made;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the regular Town Board Meeting held on March 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: YES
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED: YES
Supervisor J. Conway	VOTED: YES
Councilor T. Tierney	VOTED: YES
Councilor H. Kennedy	VOTED: YES

83-2020 A Resolution Proclaiming the Week of May 11 – May 15, 2020 Police Week in East Greenbush

WHEREAS, in 1962, in recognition of the role that American police officers perform in maintaining domestic tranquility, President John F. Kennedy proclaimed the week of May 15th to be observed as National Police Week; and

WHEREAS, in immediate support of this proclamation, in a joint resolution of Congress, National Police Week was designated to pay special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others; and

WHEREAS, in 1974 New York State Police Trooper Emerson J. Dillon, Jr. was slain in the line of duty in the Village of Canestota, which would prompt the State Legislature to designate Police Week in New York and would lead to the establishment the Police Memorial now located at the Empire State Plaza, engraved with the names of fallen officers; and

WHEREAS, this Town Board appreciates how employees and residents alike have recognized Police Week locally by contacting Town police officers and offering thanks and encouragement to them; and

WHEREAS, this Board joins with the townspeople of East Greenbush in support of the police officers who serve our communities and encourage them to work safely as they pursue their duties;

now, therefore be it;

RESOLVED, that the week of May 11 - 15, 2020 be and hereby is proclaimed Police Week in East Greenbush.

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

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

Councilor Kennedy – mentioned this has personal meaning as her grandfather was a police officer and killed in the line of duty. His name is engraved on the Police Memorial at the Empire State Plaza.

Supervisor Conway – This is a reminder that every time police officers leave the station are in some measure of danger. Great resolution.

84-2020 A Resolution Proclaiming April, 2020 Child Abuse Prevention Month in East Greenbush

WHEREAS, every child has the right to safe, secure, and supportive environments, free from abuse and neglect; and

WHEREAS, child abuse is considered to be one of our nation's most serious public health problems, with studies documenting the link between the abuse and neglect of children and a wide range of medical, emotional, psychological, and behavioral disorders; and

WHEREAS, child abuse prevention creates a more compassionate society, one which places a high value on the welfare of children; and

WHEREAS, creating communities where families can access an array of support and resources to address the social, emotional and physical health of their children is the best way to combat child abuse; and

WHEREAS, keeping children safe from abuse means playing an active role in their lives, having check-ins, and teaching them the warning signs of abuse and how to protect themselves; and

WHEREAS, effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships between families, social services agencies, schools, faith communities, civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community; and

WHEREAS, displaying a pinwheel during the month of April will serve as a positive reminder that together, we can prevent child abuse and neglect, and by doing so, keep children safe;

now, therefore, be it;

RESOLVED, that April 2020 be and the same hereby is proclaimed Child Abuse Prevention Month in East Greenbush.

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

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

Councilor Tierney – Expressed importance of the first Whereas, especially during these challenging times. Added a reminder to watch out for our neighbors, even during social distancing.

A Resolution in Support of Raising Awareness of Sarcoidosis and Declaring April Sarcoidosis Awareness Month in the Town of East Greenbush

WHEREAS, Sarcoidosis is a disease which can affect multiple organs in the body; and WHEREAS, Sarcoidosis is an autoimmune disease associated with an abnormal immune response, but the trigger for the abnormal response is unknown; and

WHEREAS, Sarcoidosis most commonly targets the lungs and lymph nodes, but the disease can affect other organs too, such as the skin, eyes, liver, salivary glands, sinuses, kidneys, heart, muscles, bones, the brain and nervous system; and

WHEREAS, the symptoms of Sarcoidosis depends on the organ affected, but generally speaking symptoms will include fever, weight loss, night sweats and an overall feeling of malaise as well as persistent cough, enlarged lymph nodes, shortness of breath, headaches, visual problems, joint pain, eye pain and sinusitis; and

WHEREAS, while there is no cure for Sarcoidosis, there are treatment options; and WHEREAS, to further the public's awareness of Sarcoidosis and its effects on those diagnosed with this autoimmune disease, the Town of East Greenbush wishes to encourage Sarcoidosis awareness among residents of the Town of East Greenbush;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush wishes to support the raising of awareness of the symptoms and treatment of Sarcoidosis so that more money can be raised to support research and treatment options;

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board declares April to be Sarcoidosis Awareness month in the Town of East Greenbush.

This resolution was duly moved by Councilor Fritz and seconded by Councilor Tierney and brought to a vote resulting as follows:

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

Supervisor Conway – Stated this was brought to our attention last year by Rebecca Velozio, a warrior. She has been dealing with this for a long time now, and is a model of what the human spirit can be in troubled times. Important issue.

A Resolution Accepting the Resignation of Ryan M. Buell From the Position of Police Officer

WHEREAS, police officer Ryan M. Buell, has now accepted employment with the Cambridge Police Department and submitted his resignation to the Town, and

WHEREAS, this Board extends its thanks to Ryan M. Buell for his service to the Town and wishes him success in his future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has certified that this resolution will not have a material impact on the Town Finances;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the resignation of Ryan M. Buell from the position of Police Officer, effective March 24, 2020, is hereby accepted.

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

87-2020 A Resolution to Authorize a Public Auction of Surplus Equipment

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received a request from the Chief of Police to declare the following Town property to be surplus equipment;

One (1) model year 2007 Jeep Grand Cherokee VIN 1J8GR48K7C650245 (Town ID #311); and

WHEREAS, said equipment is not suited for any other Town department; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has determined that this resolution will not have a material effect on Town finances:

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that said property be and hereby is declared to be surplus; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Chief of Police be authorized to conduct a public auction or sale or otherwise to lawfully dispose of said surplus equipment now owned by and in the custody of the East Greenbush Police Department.

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

A Resolution to Authorize Paving and Surface Treatment of Town Highways

WHEREAS, in accordance with Town policy and General Municipal Law, all public works expenses in excess of \$10,000 require Town Board approval; and

WHEREAS, the Rensselaer County bid for Conventional Asphalt Paving was awarded on April 9, 2019 and remains in effect until December 31st, 2020, and the results of the bid were made available to all municipalities and school districts in the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of General Services Bid for Comprehensive Liquid Bituminous Materials Award 23101, was awarded on April 1, 2018 and remains in effect until March 30th, 2020 (extension or rebid pending) and the results of the bid were made available to all municipalities and school districts in the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public Works has reviewed the needs of the Town and determined that as many of the following pavement preservation projects as possible will be completed this season subject to available funding, and

ROAD NAME	PROCES S	ESTIMATE D COST	ROAD NAME	PROCES S	ESTIMATED COST
Albany Place	Overlay	\$14,000	Old Troy Road (Columbia Tpk to Bridge)	Overlay	\$30,000
Avian Drive	Micropave	\$12,000	Park Drive	Overlay	\$25,000
Bridle Place	Overlay	\$10,000	Rockefeller Boulevard	Overlay	\$30,000
Columbia Drive	Overlay	\$22,000	Rosebud Court	Overlay	\$25,000
Craver Road	T&L, Chipseal	58,400	Sequoia Drive	Overlay	\$8,000

Deer Run	Overlay	\$10,000	Smith Lane	Overlay	\$6,000
Dover Drive	Overlay	\$8,000	Spring Avenue E. (Water Project)	Overlay	\$24,000
Fairview Terrace	Overlay	\$9,000	Spruce Run	Overlay	\$50,000
Hudson Avenue E. (Water Project)	Overlay	\$16,000	Ternan Avenue	T&L, Chip Seal	\$51,000
Judy Lane	Double Chip Seal	\$4,900	Theresa Lane	Overlay	\$9,000
Mannix Road (Tech Valley to Large Culvert)	Overlay	\$52,000	Thrush Terrace	Repair, Micropave	\$32.000
Moore Road	Double Chip Seal	\$7,000	Yorkshire Drive	Overlay	\$9,000
Morner Road (Best Road for 900')	Drainage and Overlay	\$12,500			

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public Works states that the estimates for the work will not exceed \$526,800, an amount consisting of the 2020-2021 Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) funding (\$155,590), the PAVE-NY supplemental funding (\$29,968), Water Department (\$40,000) and the paving budget for 2020 (\$309,242); and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller believes at this time that this resolution will have a 2020 budgeted or designated fund impact on the Town's finances as follows:

Account Code 51124.01.04 CHIPs/PAVE-NY for \$185,558.

Account Code 51104.02.04 General Repairs Paving for \$301,242.

Account Code 83204.03.04.60 General Consolidated Water for \$40,000.

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Public Works is hereby authorized to approve paving and surface treatment expenses not to exceed \$526,800 for resurfacing of the aforementioned Town roads.

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 T. Tierney	VOTED: YES
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED: YES
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED: YES

Councilor Tierney reminded Supervisor Conway of a letter he received from Mya Preston, a young resident on Avian Drive, regarding the condition of her road. She had received last year a Spotlight on Youth Award.

89-2020 A Resolution to Approve a Budget Transfer Within the Community and Recreation Department Budget

WHEREAS, the Annual Easter Egg Hunt, After School Bowling program, and Spotlight on Youth ceremony were cancelled or postponed due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, and

WHEREAS, there is interest in redeploying some of those funds to cover the cost of the final Field Trip of Summer Camp, an outing to Guptils Skating Rink, a staple of the Community and Recreation program; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller confirms that this resolution will not have a material impact on Town finances since these expenses will be largely reimbursed to Community Recreation Events revenue code 2001.01.00.12 similar to the bowling program;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the transfer of \$2,000.00 from the 71404.01.04 Community and Recreation CE to 73104.01.04 Youth Summer Camp CE

This resolution was duly moved by Councilor Kennedy and seconded by Councilor Matters and brought to a vote resulting as follows:

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

Supervisor Conway – happy to support Mike Martin and Taylor Tibbits in their department.

A Resolution to Schedule a Public Hearing for the Adoption of the Town's 2020 Annual Report for Phase II SPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4), GP-0-15-003

WHEREAS, the Town of East Greenbush is subject to Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Phase II requirements of SPDES General Permit GP-0-15-003 stormwater management requirements of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES), for the development and adoption of an Annual Report; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing is required for further review and consideration of this annual report in accordance with the MS4 General Permit requirements; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the Annual Report will be on file for review at the Town Clerk's Office and on the East Greenbush Stormwater web site;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush, County of Rensselaer, State of New York, will hold a Public Hearing at the Town Hall, 225 Columbia Turnpike, East Greenbush, New York on the 13th day of May at 5:45 PM to consider adoption of the Town's 2020 Annual Report for Phase II SPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4), GP-0-15-003.

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: YES Councilor B. Fritz VOTED: YES

Supervisor J. Conway

Councilor H. Kennedy

Councilor R. Matters

VOTED: YES

VOTED: YES

91-2020 A Resolution Expressing Support for an Application for Technical Assistance to Prepare a Feasibility Study to Enhance Non-Motorized Transportation Accessibility, Mobility, and Safety Along the Gilligan Rd Corridor, and Authorizing the Use of GEIS Recreation-Funds in Support of this Study

WHEREAS, Gilligan Rd is the busiest Town-owned roadway in East Greenbush for vehicular traffic, along which are situated significant bicycle and pedestrian trip generators, including the East Greenbush Baseball League Complex and Goff Middle School as well as adjoining residential neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the Amenities Plan adopted in March 2012 and updated in December 2016 calls for extending a sidewalk linkage from Columbia Turnpike to Goff Middle School, enhancing connectivity among established neighborhoods, linking destinations, such as the Albany-Hudson Electric Trail, Columbia Turnpike, the ball fields, and Goff Middle School, and increasing bicycle and pedestrian amenities, more generally; and

WHEREAS, this linkage is included on the Town's priority list of Complete Streets projects and will advance the implementation of Complete Streets elements in the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC) and Capital District Regional Planning Commission (CDRPC) jointly offer grants of transportation and community planning support through its Community Planning Technical Assistance Program ("Technical Assistance"); and

WHEREAS, the Technical Assistance would support a project, which is aimed at: applying a complete streets approach to increase non-motorized connectivity along the Gilligan Rd corridor, identifying a preferred alignment for a separate multi-use facility (e.g., a side path) along Gilligan Rd, advancing detailed non-motorized safety treatments at involved intersections, supporting stakeholder involvement, and identifying additional neighborhood-level connectivity opportunities (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Technical Assistance requires a 25% local match and would be provided, in part, by a combination of staff time and the procurement, via mini-bid, of technical support services, such as traffic engineering and land surveying; and

WHEREAS, the GEIS committee has recommended to the Town Board that this is an appropriate use of GEIS Traffic funds; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has confirmed that this resolution can be fully funded with Generic Environmental Impact Statement fees;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to sign a Commitment Letter and other documentation, as necessary, to support an application to CDTC and CDRPC for Feasibility Study Technical Assistance;

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the expenditure of funds from the GEIS Traffic Fund for an amount not to exceed the amount contained in the GEIS Committee's recommendation for the purpose of supporting the Feasibility Study and Technical Assistance application; and

be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Planning and Zoning is authorized to execute a minibid in support of the Feasibility Study and Project.

Supervisor Conway made the motion to amend the above title to now read:

A Resolution Expressing Support for an Application for Technical Assistance to Prepare a Feasibility Study to Enhance Non-Motorized Transportation Accessibility, Mobility, and Safety Along the Gilligan Rd Corridor, and Authorizing the Use of GEIS Traffic Funds in Support of this Study

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

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

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

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Councilor Kennedy – stated this has to do with an application to the Capital District Transportation Committee (CDTC) and Capital District Regional Planning Commission (CDRPC) to prepare a Feasibility Study to support the project that is aimed at putting a side path along Gilligan Road, which will connect Goff Middle School, baseball fields, senior apartments, and First United Methodist Church. Mentioned it will follow a Complete Streets approach that focuses on mobility and different modes of transportation, pedestrian and bike traffic, while increasing safety.

92-2020 A Resolution to Make Staff Appointments for the Summer Camp

WHEREAS, the Community and Recreation Department is essential to the work of our Town government as it entails coordinating activities for youth, and managing the Town's Summer Camp program amongst other things; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board recognizes the importance of these key positions, Camp Director, Assistant Directors, Assistant Activities Director, and Assistant Medical Director; and

WHEREAS, the Town Camp is divided into a Junior Camp for children grades 1-5, and a Senior Camp for children grades 6-9, with a need and requirement for a Camp Director and Assistant to oversee each camp; and

WHEREAS, applicants applied through the Community and Recreation office and all participated in interviews with the Recreation Director and Assistant; and

WHEREAS, all candidates were once campers at the Town of East Greenbush Summer Camp, further showing the Town's commitment to providing a fun, safe place for the youth of our town to spend their summer year in and year out; and

WHEREAS, throughout the Camp's illustrious tenure as one of the best in Rensselaer County, enrollment and interest have increased rapidly, due in part to our tremendously qualified staff who helps guide and nurture all who attend; and

WHEREAS, The Town Comptroller confirms that these positions are budgeting in the 2020 budget charged to the account 73101.01 Youth Summer Camp;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following candidates are appointed to serve as Summer Camp Staff for the 2020 season;

Emily M. Dick	Junior Camp Director
Kara Blakeman	Senior Camp Director
Kelsey Hall	Assistant Junior Camp Director
Michael Iula	Assistant Senior Camp Director
Caitlin Lallier	Assistant Activities Director
Bailey Caruso	Assistant Health Director

and be it further

RESOLVED, that Camp Directors Emily M. Dick and Kara Blakeman will be compensated at the rate of \$15.25/hour, and Assistant Directors Kelsey Hall, Michael Iula, Caitlin Lallier and Bailey Caruso will be compensated at the rate of \$13.25/hour, and that these appointments are in effect from April 20, 2020 until August 15, 2020,

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

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

Supervisor Conway – spoke with County and they believe the State will issue some kind directive about summer camps. We have our fingers crossed – we'll have to wait and see.

Councilor Matters – thanked Councilor Fritz for clarifying Junior and Senior Camp Directors, as having to do with constituency of various individuals under their charge.

Councilor Kennedy – stated registrations are still be accepted.

93-2020 A Resolution Authorizing the Use of GEIS Funds to Replace the Roof at the Hampton Manor Lake House

WHEREAS, Hampton Manor Lake House is part of the Parks Department and the roof is in need of replacement to maintain its structural integrity; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public Works has requested three quotes for the replacement of the roof, the lowest of which is in the amount of \$3,950 plus \$50 per sheet of plywood that might need to be replaced due to moisture damage; and

WHEREAS, in the GEIS Committee Meeting held on April 6th, 2020, the Commissioner of Public Works presented this information to the GEIS Committee who voted to recommend approval of the use of GEIS funds for the replacement of the roof at the Hampton Manor Lake House; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has confirmed that the provisions of this proposed Board action will not have a material impact on the Town's finances and will be funded with GEIS Parks and Recreation funds:

now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Commissioner of Public Works to use GEIS funds to replace the roof at the Hampton Manor Lake House in an amount not to exceed \$4,500.

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

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

94-2020 A Resolution Accepting the Resignation for Purposes of Retirement of Dispatcher Steve E. Deyo

WHEREAS, Steve E. Deyo was sworn in as a dispatcher with the East Greenbush Police Department on September 18, 1989, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has received a letter of retirement from Dispatcher Steve E. Deyo of the East Greenbush Police Department effective April 4, 2020 having completed over 31 years of dedicated service to the Town of East Greenbush, and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has confirmed that the provisions of this resolution will not have a material impact on the Town Finances;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush accepts the resignation for purposes of retirement of Steve E. Deyo, thanks him for an excellent service record and wishes him the best in all future endeavors.

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

Supervisor Conway	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Tierney	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Kennedy	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Matters	VOTED:	YES
Councilor Fritz	VOTED:	YES

Supervisor Conway – Steve did a really good job for the Town of East Greenbush. He was a professional, did the business, did it right and treated people right. We will miss him and wish him well.

Councilor Matters – wished Good Luck to him.

95-2020 A Resolution to Re-Schedule a Public Hearing on a Local Law to Create a Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) for the Town of East Greenbush

WHEREAS, Resolution 42-2018 established the East Greenbush Natural Resources Work Group (NRWG) which was tasked with preparing a "Town of East Greenbush Natural Resources Inventory" to assist the Town in identifying and evaluating important resources located within the Town; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing was held on June 12, 2019 for the Town Board to consider comments and questions before having to render a decision to accept and adopt the Natural Resources Inventory; and

WHEREAS, after hearing comments and questions, the Town Board adopted the Natural Resources Inventory with Resolution 134-2019 on June 19, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the NRI includes maps displaying the Town's mineral, water, biological, recreation, scenic, and historic resources and their significance to the East Greenbush community; associated data; and a descriptive report summarizing the inventoried resources, findings, and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the NRI is to provide information for comprehensive land use and conservation planning, and to allow natural resource information to be included in local planning and zoning, and to inform the Comprehensive Plan update; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Resources Work Group has recommended that the Town consider the adoption of a Local Law to create a Conservation Advisory Council (CAC) which can conduct research, advise on environmental and preservation matters, update the Natural Resources Inventory, and serve as a resource for the Town Board and Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board believes that a CAC should be an essential part of our steadfast commitment to understanding and protection of our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board accepts and concurs with the recommendation of the NRWG to establish a Conservation Advisory Council; and

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

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing scheduled for April 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. by Resolution 67-2020 had to be postponed due to the Covid-19 emergency;

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush schedules a Public Hearing for May 13, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. to be held either at East Greenbush Town Hall, 225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, NY 12144 or by virtual instruments to hear comments on a Local Law to create a Conservation Advisory Council.

This resolution was duly moved by Councilor Tierney and seconded by Supervisor Conway and brought to a vote resulting as follows:

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

Supervisor Conway – stated this is very important and assured residents we don't want to surrender town business if we don't have to. We will reschedule if we need to.

Councilor Matters – mentioned the Town's gradual return is going to have to include a set of protocols for both the private and public sectors. Need creativity to be able to move forward. Adam Yagelski was very good about addressing Executive Order that served as basis for what we're doing now.

Councilor Tierney – reiterated previous comments that we really do need to keep business moving. Mentioned how much work went into the Natural Resources Inventory and it does need to feed into our Comprehensive Plan. Stated we certainly are not in any way going to stifle any public input or comment – we will listen, read, and hear every comment that we can get (via phone call or email), however, we do have to try different ways. Main difference is not everyone will be in the same room.

Councilor Fritz – Stated that we are entering a period of a new normal and more technology will have to be used for Public Hearings. For a while, we'll have to practice social distancing. Also agrees business has to go on.

96-2020 A Resolution to Establish an Ambulance District Fee Schedule for 2020 WHEREAS, this resolution was previously moved and tabled as Resolution 79-2020; and

WHEREAS, the East Greenbush Town Board, on behalf of the East Greenbush Ambulance District, is required to approve flat fees and rates to be charged by the District for ambulance and emergency-medical services rendered by the District's service provider, W.F. Bruen Emergency Squad, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the W.F. Bruen Emergency Squad has submitted a recommended for the Town Board's consideration; and

WHEREAS, the recommendation to the Town Board includes the following Fee Schedule:

Basic Life Support \$900.00 Advanced Life Support \$1,100.00 Advanced Life Support II \$1,300.00 Mileage \$20.00/mile

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller is unsure of the financial impact of this resolution; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Fee Schedule recommended by the W.F. Bruen Emergency Squad is accepted and approved by the Town Board of the Town of East Greenbush.

This resolution was duly moved by Councilor Matters and seconded by Supervisor Conway and brought to a vote resulting as follows:

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

Councilor Matters – Had asked Supervisor Conway if he could embellish a little on what was previously discussed and he was given the ok.

Supervisor Conway – Stated we need a new contract with Bruen and need further guidance.

97-2020 A Resolution Authorizing the Town of East Greenbush to Solicit Bids for Replacement of the Water Main on Hudson Avenue

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time for the regularly scheduled Pre-Board meeting of April 8, 2020 and was subsequently brought to the attention of the Board on April 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as part of the consolidation of the Hampton Manor Water District, the 2" water main on Hudson Avenue was identified as needing replacement due to size and age, with a determination made that a new 6" water main would have to be installed; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public Works has determined that this project should be contracted out because the size of the project and the current work plan for the Water Department preclude it being done by our Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, under the Town of East Greenbush Purchasing Policy the anticipated cost of this project requires formal bidding procedures to be followed; and

WHEREAS, the Town Comptroller has confirmed that the provisions of this proposed Board action 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 authorizes the Commissioner of Public Works to solicit bids for replacement of the 2" water main on Hudson Avenue with a 6" water main.

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

98-2020 A Resolution to Schedule a Public Hearing on a Local Law, Delegating to the Chief of Police the Power to Detail, Assign and Make Available for Duty and Use Police Officers and Equipment to Other Municipalities

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time for the regularly scheduled Pre-Board meeting of April 8, 2020 and was subsequently brought to the attention of the Board on April 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Town of East Greenbush has been approached by other local municipalities to enter into an agreement to share police officers and equipment for certain police activity; and

WHEREAS, the Town has also been approached by a number of municipalities to enter into an agreement for sharing police officers and equipment in Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Team actions; and

WHEREAS, New York State General Municipal Law Section 209-m authorizes the Town to delegate to the Chief of Police the powers under these agreements, by local law; and

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

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board shall hold a public hearing on a proposed local law to hear comments on a proposal to delegate authority to the Chief of Police to detail, assign and make available for duty and use Police Officers and equipment on May 13, 2020, at 6:45 p.m., at the East Greenbush Town Hall, 225 Columbia Turnpike, Rensselaer, New York 12144. Notice of such public hearing shall be posted by the Town Clerk.

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

99-2020 A Resolution Authorizing the Supervisor to Enter Into a Retainer Agreement in Relation to Litigation

WHEREAS, this resolution was not submitted in time for the regularly scheduled Pre-Board meeting of April 8, 2020 and was subsequently brought to the attention of the Board on April 13, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Liccardi and Nina Walsh, as executors of the Estate of Oreste F. Orciuoli, and E. W. Birch Builders and Construction, Inc., have brought a New York Civil Practice Laws and Rules Article 78 proceeding in Rensselaer County Supreme Court, challenging a determination by the Zoning Board of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board, in consultation with its attorneys, wishes to contest the allegations set forth in that lawsuit, and to defend the determination of the East Greenbush Zoning Board of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, the Comptroller confirms 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 execute a retainer agreement with attorney William Ryan of the law firm Tabner, Ryan & Keniry, LLP, for an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 to represent the Town and the Zoning Board of Appeals in this litigation.

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 T. Tierney	VOTED: YES
Councilor R. Matters	VOTED: YES
Councilor B. Fritz	VOTED: YES

David Gruenburg, Town Attorney – stated this is the second time in the last few months that the Zoning Board of Appeals has been sued for determinations that they made. First one related to a variance for that auto repair shop on 9&20 by entrance of Regeneron. After being sued, entered into discussions with plaintiff's lawyer, Town staff, Zoning Board Attorney and Chairman.

Thought is it will work out without litigation. Litigation did start, however, a lawyer should not have to be hired.

This one is a little harder. Petitioners/owners of property own a parcel in a development that is 0.83 acres. It is believed the minimum size is 1.5 acres under our zoning law. Variance can be applied for if you're not able to use property for designated use in district. Board found they self-created this problem, that is the owner himself or the predecessor had subdivided property in a way that made property nonconformance, so it was rejected on that ground. It seems we should be able to defend legally the determinations by our Zoning Board of Appeals. This allows Supervisor Conway to sign the Retainer Agreement with Bill Ryan's firm to represent us.

Adam Yagelski, Director of Planning and Zoning – confirmed 1.5 acres.

Councilor Tierney – acknowledged 99 resolutions in four (4) months is pretty impressive work. Extended thanks for keeping things moving along.

Supervisor Conway – Extended thanks and appreciation to department heads.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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

Adjourned at 8:03 PM.

Respectfully,

Ellen Pangburn
East Greenbush Town Clerk

Approved: May 20, 2020