



**Town Board
Town of North Greenbush
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 10, 2022
7:00 p.m.**

Supervisor Bott called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with asking all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Bott asked the Town Clerk, Janice Kerwin, to do roll call. All Board members were present.

Supervisor Bott	<u>Present</u>
Councilwoman Hoffman	<u>Present</u>
Councilman Rogers	<u>Present</u>
Councilwoman Merola	<u>Present</u>
Councilman Gordon	<u>Present</u>

Announcements:

Supervisor Bott asked for a moment of silence for 2 people that have passed away recently. Tommy Mulson of Mulson's Garage passed away from a tragic snowmobile accident. Tommy has been a member of the community for his whole life; his family's garage is right across the street from town hall and he has worked on town vehicles and our school buses for many years. Our second loss was Sophie Maltais who was battling cancer. She had been a member of the Board of Assessment Review for many years. Sophie just resigned from the board this year due to her health and will surely be missed.

Supervisor Bott wanted to let everyone know that the town has finally received our DEC permits to clear the creek due from all the flooding situations that the town has had in the past year. He wanted to thank Eric Westfall and Mark Premo for the continued help with the permit. This should help with the debris that has ended up along the creek, which has caused blockage in the flow of water.

Another announcement is that the town will again have our Easter Egg Hunt! Due to COVID we have not had the hunt in 2 years and we can now finally have it once again. We will also have our Memorial Day Parade. Supervisor Bott hopes that since we have not been allowed to have a parade in 2 years due to COVID, that this one will be bigger and better than ever before.



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Comments from Residents on Agenda:

Michael Meyer of Evergreen Lane, asked about Resolution 2022-3-14. He wanted to know how the money will be spent. Supervisor Bott stated that they will publish the list of how they will be spending the money.

New Business:

Resolution 2022-2-11: Supervisor Bott made a motion in the matter of appointing Town Court Secretary to the Town Justice, seconded by **Councilperson Rogers**. All members voted Aye, motion carried.

Resolution 2022-3-12: Councilperson Hoffman made a motion in the matter of accepting a Justice Court Grant and authoring eligible expenditures, seconded by **Councilperson Merola**. All members voted Aye, motion carried.

Resolution 2022-3-13: Councilperson Merola made a motion in the matter of approving purchase of a Police vehicle, seconded by **Supervisor Bott**. All members voted Aye, motion carried.

Supervisor Bott asked the chief to briefly describe the process. Chief Keevern mentioned that this contract was less than the past because we usually buy the Police vehicles equipped and this one was not. The department will handle getting the vehicle equipped which cost approximately \$5,000.00 less than in the past. A camera system will be placed in this new Police vehicle. Supervisor Bott asked if this is consistent with the replacement process that the town has in place. Chief Keevern said the 5 year replacement for vehicles is right on track.

Resolution 2022-3-14: Councilperson Gordon made a motion authorizing the acceptance and expenditure of Grant Funding from the Federal Government for the 2021 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), seconded by **Supervisor Bott**. All board members voted Aye, motion carried.

Anthony Germano, Town Comptroller gave a breakdown of programs how the ARPA will be spent. **Attached A is included with Permanent March minutes**. Any unspent monies will be placed in the Fund Balance. Councilman Gordon asked where the money would be spent. Anthony Germano gave a breakdown of the percentages he calculated.



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Programs:

Town Park Improvements	45%
Municipal Water Transmission Improvements	32%
Highway & Drainage Mitigation	12%
Emergency Services (Fire/Ambulance)	6%
Town Employee Premium Pay	4%
Town Facility Safety Improvements	2%

Councilman Gordon feels this is a great use for the ARPA money. Anthony Germano stated there are Federal Guidelines that they need to consider when spending the ARPA.

Resolution 2022-3-15: Councilman Rogers made a motion in the matter of extending the construction contract with Carver Construction for Route #43 Water Transmission Line Project to complete original concept, seconded by **Councilman Gordon**. All board members voted Aye, motion carried. This resolution will help finish up the project and the completion to design. Supervisor Bott expressed that this will fix the low pressure issue and give us a reliable water source and tanks.

Resolution 2022-3-16: Supervisor Bott made a motion in the matter memorializing March 2022 as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month in the Town of North Greenbush, seconded by **Councilman Rogers**. All board members voted Aye, motion carried. Supervisor Bott wanted to express his gratitude to Sandra Bishop for her work and dedication to this resolution. Sandra gathered the information for the resolution. The Town’s Community Build board will be blue for the month of March for Colorectal Cancer awareness.

Resolution 2022-3-17: Councilperson Hoffman made a motion in the matter of accepting a contract from Wheelock-Rides and Concessions for the Town Celebration, seconded by **Councilperson Merola**. All board members voted Aye, motion carried. Supervisor Bott wanted to add to the contract that we would like to have an additional ticket sale area, as last year it just wasn’t fast or efficient enough for the crowd we had at the celebration. Fred Kirwin stated that the board could make a motion to add it to the existing contract along the bottom.

Councilperson Hoffman made a motion to add another ticket sale location to the current contract, seconded by **Councilperson Gordon**. All members voted Aye, motion carried.



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Discussion:

Supervisor Bott asked if anyone from the public had any comments or questions pertaining to the meeting now, as they would be going into executive session.

Michael Meyer spoke up and asked if the town could make the front parking lot designated to handicap parking only, as last year it was very difficult to get to the celebration due to lack of available handicap parking.

Department Reports:

The board meeting was asked by Supervisor Bott to review the departmental reports at their leisure.

Approval of Minutes:

Councilperson Rogers made motion to accept all February minutes as presented by Town Clerk, seconded by **Councilperson Merola**. All board members voted Aye, motion carried.

Executive Session:

Councilperson Hoffman made a motion to go into executive session to discuss and review a Union contract matter, seconded by **Councilperson Merola**. All members voted Aye, motion carried and they went into Executive session @7:35 p.m.

Councilperson Merola made a motion to close the executive session, seconded by **Councilperson Gordon**. All members voted Aye, motion carried. The executive session ended @ 8:23 p.m.

Councilperson Merola made a motion to adjourn, seconded by **Councilperson Hoffman**. All members voted Aye, motion carried. Adjournment was @ 8:29 p.m.

- **A COMPLETE ACCOUNTING OF ALL DISCUSSIONS ON THE AGENDA IS AVAILABLE TO REVIEW VIA STREAMING ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE.**

Respectfully Submitted
Janice Hannigan Kerwin
Town Clerk, Town of North Greenbush