



**Town Board  
Town of North Greenburgh  
Regular Meeting  
MINUTES  
February 10, 2022  
7:00 p.m.**

Supervisor Bott called the meeting to order @7:05 p.m. immediately following the Public Hearing by asking all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken with the following Board Members present.

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

**Announcements:**

Supervisor Bott announced that the town has FREE Covid-19 Test Kits available in the Town Clerk's office. The kits were donated to the town from Rensselaer County.

Supervisor Bott spoke of how the planning of the Memorial Day parade will begin. We will finally be having the parade this year, after 2 years of not having one due to Covid-19.

The town's Summer Concerts will again be Sunday nights and they are in the process of scheduling the bands he announced. We will again have the Food Truck Night Event this year, as it was a huge success last year; the only change is the night it will be. This year it will be on Wednesday nights, starting on May 4<sup>th</sup> from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.

**New Business:**

**Resolution 2022-2-8: Councilwoman Hoffman** made a motion in the matter of the approval of adopting a Local Law #1 for 2022, establishing no parking on Thompson Court, seconded by **Supervisor Bott**. All board members voted Aye, motion carried.

Mark Premo, Highway Superintendent, said the signs are ordered and will be placed with 2 on each side of the road.

**Resolution 2022-2-9: Councilwoman Merola** made a motion in the matter of Authorizing an undertaking with the NYS Department of Transportation and authorizing the town Supervisor to sign the attached agreement and NYS Department of Transportation Highway work permit application for annual sewer and water maintenance and repair, seconded by **Councilman Rogers**. All board members voted Aye, motion carried.

Mark Premo, Superintendent, said this is a plus, as they will be covered while picking up bags of leaves and brush on the highways. He feels this was a great idea and glad it has been approved.

**Resolution 2022-2-10: Councilman Gordon** made a motion in the matter of establishing an increase in town water user rates pursuant to an increase by the City of Troy for water purchases, seconded by **Supervisor Bott**. All board members voted Aye, motion carried.

Anthony Germano was asked to explain the increase. He mentioned how it will be approximately a 5.82% increase, which equals about \$25.00 increase a year. The resolution will show our water users that Troy increased the rate, so we have to pass it on to the users. This increase was done by a 30 day notice, as stated in our contract with the City of Troy.

#### **Discussion:**

Town resident David Wilson, 2 Valente Drive, asked if all districts in the town pay the same rate. Anthony Germano answered by explaining that we have different rates from East Greenbush and Rensselaer. Their rates are at a higher than the rate from the City of Troy.

Michael Meyer, 5 Evergreen Lane, asked about the comments that Supervisor Bott made pertaining to updating some zoning codes and time frames, do you have a set time frame. Supervisor Bott explained that they are looking into updating the Comprehensive Plan and then zoning for the town. He explained how they go hand in hand when updating. Mike Meyer said you stated you are thinking of updating, do you have an exact time? Supervisor Bott said the plan is for some time this year.

#### **Department Reports:**

Supervisor Bott asked the board to look over the Department reports at their leisure.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

**Supervisor Bott** made a motion for the Approval of all Meeting Minutes for January 13, 2022, they were sent by email and everyone should have reviewed them. The motion was seconded by **Councilwoman Merola**. All board members voted Aye, motion carried.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by **Councilman Gordon** to adjourn the meeting, seconded by **Councilwoman Merola**. All members of the board voted Aye, motion carried.

- **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



# Public Hearing Minutes

Town of North Greenbush

Town Board

February 10, 2022

6:50 P.M.

## Consider a Petition for the Establishment of Local Law #1 for 2022 for No Parking on Thompson Court Law.

Supervisor Bott opened the Public Meeting @ 6:50 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken by Town Clerk, Janice Hannigan Kerwin.

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>

Supervisor Bott gave a brief description of the Local Law #1 for 2022 explaining the no parking on Thompson Court.

Councilwoman Hoffman stated that this concern was brought to the attention of the Public Safety Committee by Kathleen Allen, President of the North Greenbush Ambulance. She had concerns of being able to get to the emergency calls located on Route #4 and the corner of Thompson Court due to the over-crowding of cars blocking the access of the entrance to Well-Now. Councilwoman Hoffman said the

Chief of Police sent an email stating what a major improvement this will be, as he too has had complaints of parking in the same area and he too had concerns.

**Discussion:**

Supervisor Bott asked if anyone present had any comments on the Public Hearing Agenda.

Colleen & Paul Thompson, 15 Thompson Court, questioned why only 200 feet at the beginning of the street, as the whole road needs to be safe for a neighborhood of children and elderly residents.

The town attorney, Fred Kirwin, explained how the decision was created. Mike Miner, Building Department Inspector and Chief Keevern went over to the area and as a result, the Local Law was created. They both made the decision of 200 feet from the corner of Route #4 and Thompson Court to deter people from blocking the entrance.

Mark Premo did state that there is no parking on all town roads from November to May, due to plowing.

Colleen Thompson asked why the town allowed Well-Now to build with not enough parking spots. Supervisor Bott explained that it was built with enough parking spots. We follow New York State Code and parking is based on the square footage of the building. He believes that this is mostly from the Covid-19 testing and outbreaks of COVID.

The next public comment was from Michael Meyers, 5 Evergreen Lane; he wanted to know where the money from the parking tickets would be placed. He gave an example of The General Fund? Anthony Germano answered that most likely to the courts, but we do receive a % from the Court. Michael Meyers then asked were there any other options that could have been made rather than no parking.

Supervisor Bott said no, as this is the best way to handle the parking problem. Fred Kirwin, Town Board Attorney, said this is the best process of handling the issue.

Colleen Thompson spoke again and expressed her appreciation to the board for listening to her concerns and questions.

**Adjournment:**

**Councilwoman Merola** made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing, seconded by **Councilwoman Hoffman**. All board members voted Aye, motion carried. Adjournment was @ 7:05 P.M.

- **A COMPLETE ACCOUNTING OF ALL DISCUSSIONS ON THE PUBLIC HEARING IS AVAILBALE TO REVIEW ON THE TOWN'S WEBSITE.**

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