



**EAST GREENBUSH FIRE COMPANY
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 2007 (Thursday)**

A special Executive Board meeting was called to order at 7:04pm by Board of Directors Chairman Dennis Kennedy, whom filled in for the absent President Tim Boel, to discuss the T-Mobil communications tower project. Business Manager Michael Stafford and his guest were also present. As a communications tower expert, his guest was at this meeting to assist the Fire Company with questions and concerns related to industry terminology and the lease. The tower location proposed is behind the Main Station. T-Mobil, a subsidiary of Omnipoint is proposing a 100 foot cell tower to be erected.

A copy of the lease and pictures of cell towers were passed out to the board members. There was also a large plot plan of the fire station, Hayes Road, Columbia Turnpike, and the position of the possible cell tower. The board members discussed the future plans of the Main Station and made the Tower Committee aware they need to anticipate a new Hayes Rd. fire station in 5-10 years. There are 2 types of cell tower structures, a monopole, and a lattice tower. A cell tower typically cost approximately 45,000-60,000 dollars to construct. The lease was analyzed by the board members. According to the lease we would receive 1,350 dollars a month. This would be 10 year contract. The reason for a 10 year contract is because if T-Mobil goes out of business or if they are bought out we would still receive that money, whether it is on a monthly basis, or in a lump-sum. The board members discussed what option would be more suitable for the fire company. Many of the members feel that a lump-sum would be better because we can save that money, and put that money towards the building fund. If the company was

to put that money away, we would receive higher interest as well. The guest discussed the maintenance of cell towers. These towers from our position are very low maintenance. Other items discussed were public service towers, and “tower interference” as mentioned in the lease, physical interference vs. radio frequency (RF) interference. Our guest advised us that the Westerlo Fire Department owns a cell tower occupied by Nextel. The representative gave us a contact name and number.

Mike Benson Sr. made a motion to accept the lease, David Chesnut seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved. The board also authorized Chief David A. Cook as the liaison for this project.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael J. Benson Jr.
Recording Secretary