



## **East Greenbush Fire Company Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

**April 18, 2023**

**The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by President Cullum.**

**The following Executive Board Members were in attendance:**

Rick Williams, Mike Benson Jr. Chris Linck, Joe Lacavita, Paul Benson, Mike Benson Sr, Kurt Schlachter, Mike Lansing, Tracy Cullum, Jeff Tooker, Jeff Wasileski, Chris Cargain, Jake Hallenbeck.

**Other Members Present :** Chris Lavin, David Cook, Frank Jenkins, RP Smith, Bill Lindemen. ( members from the main station committee.)

**First Item of Business: Line of Credit Loan-**

President Cullum reports from her initial consultation with Key Bank they have imposed numerous fees that we never discussed. Based on this finding she has moved to the Bank of Greene County.

Bank of Greene County would offer up to \$500,000 in a line of credit. Up to two years to spend the money with no prepayment penalty. All we would have to pay is \$1,500 for an appraisal . The loan application has been approved pending the appraisal. We have 13 years to pay the money back.

Company Treasurer Paul Benson advises there is money in the budget to make monthly payments.

Paul Benson makes a motion 2nd by Chris Linck to proceed with the Loan from the Bank of Greene County. That motion passes.

The President reports that Marc Iorio is looking into Paypal and Venmo for Fundraising money collection for the fire company. She will report back to the board once that is complete.

The President informed the Board that a letter was received from the Town of East Greenbush Water Department . The State of NY is requiring all businesses to have backflow devices on the water meters.

Tracy reports we are all set at the Park Station. The Main and the North need them. The Town suggested we contact Toven Services. The cost for the North is \$595.57. The main station is \$694.67.

Rick Williams makes a motion 2nd by Jeff Wasileski to hire Toven to complete the project.

The President reports that a small group of members who use the weight room has approached her in regards to getting some new equipment and selling some old items. We do have some money in the budget for the weightroom. They will bring it up during the company meeting.

President Cullum reports on the Headquarters remodel project.

The project would include replacing the carpet in all offices except the training room and conference room. Those two rooms would be replaced with a no scratch and dent resistant flooring. All offices would be painted.

The estimate was from High Peaks Construction for \$52,250.

**Chris Cargain makes a motion 2nd by Rick Williams to proceed with the project and approve the vendor.**

**That motion passes.**

Chris Lavin took the floor as chairman of the Main Station Committee. Chris introduced the members of the committee.

Chris turned over a working document binder that will be available in the President's office. The committee has been very busy since it was formed a few months ago.

Chris gave an overview to the board. There are 3 options they are looking at. They are as follows:

1. Move from the site and build a new station.
2. Remain on the site , demolish building and build a new station.
3. Renovate the existing station and make changes where needed.

Mike Benson Jr. states he would like to work on the committee and give insight as the Chief of the station. Chris welcomed Mike.

**A motion to adjourn was made by Jeff Wasileski with a 2nd by Rick Williams that motion passed.  
Meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.**

***Minutes recorded and submitted by Mike Benson Sr.***

