EAST GLENVILLE FIRE DISTRICT #3
PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE BUDGET OF 2014
October 15, 2013

Present: Commissioner Paul Stuart
Commissioner Suzanne Pohl
Commissioner Gerald Cullen
Commissioner Clem Schimikowski
District Treasurer Jeffrey Prescott
District Secretary Elaine Erckman
Jack Erckman

The hearing was called to order by the Chairman of the Board Clem Schimikowski at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

There were seven people in attendance.

This is a public hearing regarding the 2014 proposed budget. In accordance with New York State law, all fire districts must, prior to the adoption of their budget, hold a public hearing on their budget. This budget hearing must be held in such a manner as to maximize participation in the budget process. The purpose of this hearing is to discuss the contents of the budget. The Board of Fire Commissioners in accordance with legal requirements has adopted their proposed budget September 16, 2013, which is at least 21 days prior to this budget hearing.

The district secretary sent a notice of the hearing to the Daily Gazette, the Town of Glenville website and signboard and the East Glenville Fire District signboard. Copies of the proposed budget were made available to interested residents five days before the hearing. The notice specified the time, date and place where this public hearing would be held.

The district treasurer Jeffrey Prescott presented the proposed budget for 2014.

Commissioner Schimikowski explained the procedure for any person wishing to be heard on the proposed budget. There were no questions at this time.

Commissioner Schimikowski stated that the public comment period of the hearing has concluded and the members of the Board of Commissioners are now allowed to ask questions.

Commissioner Pohl stated her concern over the lawsuit filed by K-Mart against all taxing jurisdictions, handled by the Town's assessors office, fighting the assessed value of the property formerly owned by K-Mart and Albany Public Market. The lawsuit has been settled and East Glenville Fire District #3 will be forced to refund taxes in the amount of approximately $5,600.00.

The Treasurer responded by stating that this cost, not budgeted, will have to be transferred from the Contingency Line in order to pay the refund this year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cullen, seconded by Commissioner Pohl and unanimously passed declaring the public hearing regarding the 2014 proposed budget is closed.

An application for membership was received from Sean Thibault. The company voted and approved his membership at the September 9, 2013 meeting. The application as been presented to the Board of Commissioners for their approval. The arson check has been received.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cullen, seconded by Commissioner Stuart and unanimously passed to approve the membership of Sean Thibault in the East Glenville Fire Company.

A motion was made by Commissioner Stuart, seconded by Commissioner Pohl and unanimously passed to close the meeting at this time at 7:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Erckman
District Secretary