

EAST GLENVILLE FIRE DISTRICT #3
PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE BUDGET OF 2017
October 18, 2016

Present: Commissioner Gerald Cullen
Commissioner Beth Larson
Commissioner Brian De La Fleur
Commissioner Clem Schimikowski
District Treasurer Jeffrey Prescott
District Secretary Elaine Erckman
Leonard Prevost

The hearing was called to order by the Chairman of the Board Gerald Cullen 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 2017 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 the district's 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 19, 2016, 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 2017.

Commissioner Cullen explained the procedure for any person wishing to be heard on the proposed budget.

Leonard Prevost, 31 Witbeck Drive, Glenville, New York 12302. The question asked was why was there \$10,000 added to the LOSAP program?

The next question from Mr. Prevost was are there any visits included in the budget to view the new Sutphen rescue engine as it is being built?

Commissioner Cullen stated that the public comment period of this annual budget hearing has now concluded. The members of the Board of Commissioners are now allowed to ask questions.

Commissioner Clem Schimikowski, 6 Glen Terrace, Glenville, New York 12302. Will the recommended proposed amendments to the budget have any impact on the operations of the fire district.

The treasurer will now, if able, address the issues raised during the public comments period.

The answer to Len Prevost's first question regarding the additional \$10,000.00 for the LOSAP program is to raise the funding percentage.

As to Len Prevost's second question regarding visits to view the building of the new rescue engine, this is not budgeted in the budget but can be taken from other line items.

The answer to Commissioner Schimikowski's question concerning the amendments to be made to the Proposed Budget and would they impact the operations of the fire district. The answer is the amendments would not take away any money necessary for the operations of the district.

Commissioner Cullen stated that the public hearing regarding the 2017 proposed budget is now closed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Schimikowski, seconded by Commissioner De La Fleur and unanimously passed declaring the public hearing for the 2017 proposed budget closed at 7:20 pm.

Before adopting the annual budget and after passing any resolutions necessary to override the tax cap levy, a form to the New York State Comptroller's Office now has be to submitted by the treasurer.

A special meeting has been scheduled immediately following the public hearing to approve the Budget for the year 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Erckman
District Secretary