

East Greenbush Community Library Public Hearing: November 21, 2023, at 6:30 pm.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE A PARTIAL REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION
FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND
VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICE WORKERS**

MOTION to adopt the resolution to authorize a partial real property tax exemption for volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance service workers pursuant to Section §466-a of the NYS Real Property Tax Law.

WHEREAS, NYS Real Property Tax Law was amended by adding a new Section §466-a authorizing local governments, including special legislative district libraries, the option of enacting a partial tax exemption of up to ten (10%) percent of the value of primary residences owned by volunteer firefighters and/or ambulance workers located in the town in which the taxing district is located; and

WHEREAS, the East Greenbush Community Library (EGCL), a special legislative district library, wishes to: afford this partial tax exemption to acknowledge the valuable services provided to the library by volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers; and provide a valuable recruitment tool for these organizations; and

WHEREAS, on November 21, 2023, after providing proper notice, the EGCL conducted a public hearing to solicit input and accept comments from the public on this partial tax exemption; and

WHEREAS, the EGCL Treasurer and Board of Trustees confirm that this resolution will not have a material impact on the library's finances; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the East Greenbush Community Library Board of Trustees approves this resolution providing partial real property tax exemption for volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers pursuant to Section §466-a of the Real Property Tax Law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of East Greenbush Town Assessor shall administer the EGCL's partial real property tax exemption in the course of processing the EGCL's tax levy and collection; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect on the 2024 Assessment Roll for the January 2025 tax bills and shall remain in effect unless terminated by the EGCL Board of Trustees.