

Town of Greenville
PUBLIC HEARING RE: FREEHOLD FIRE CONTRACT
October 17th, 2022 6:30pm

A public hearing was held by the Town Board of the Town of Greenville on October 17th, 2022 at 6:30 pm at Pioneer Hall regarding the renewal of the Freehold Fire District Contract.

All members of the Board were present. Highway Superintendent Mike Dudley, Planning Board Chair/Historian Don Teator, Maintenance Supervisor Tim Fitzgerald were present, as well as, 9 other guests.

This Public Hearing was advertised in the Town's official newspaper, The Catskill Daily Mail, on October 1st, 2022.

At 6:30pm on October 17th, 2022 Councilman Bear motioned, seconded by Councilman Bensen to open the Public Hearing for public remark on the signing the proposed five-year contract with the Freehold Fire Department. Carried 5 ayes

Supervisor Macko informed the hearing that typically the contract with Freehold Fire District is for four years, this year they proposed a five-year contract to help them allocate funding for the necessary upgrades to their airpack systems.

Supervisor Macko read aloud the proposed contract. The following points of discussion were had:

Airpacks – The NFPA requires 13 of the airpacks be replaced to keep Freehold Fire Dept in compliance. The cost for these upgrades is approximately \$200,000.00. The Fire Dept plans to stagger their purchasing of the airpacks to help prevent them all expiring at the same time again.

Grants – A \$75,000.00 grant is being awarded to Freehold Fire District from Senator Hinchey's office. Freehold Fire is still looking at all grants possible to help alleviate costs to the necessary upgrades for their Scott Airpacks.

Pumper Truck – A Fire Department in Long Island has donated a pumper truck to the Freehold Fire District. This truck normally would have cost them around \$80,000.00.

Greene County Paramedic Fly Car – The Freehold Fire Dept is doing renovations to the fire house to prepare for hosting the County Fly Car.

Supervisor Macko called upon the hearing three times for any further questions/comments/concerns. Supervisor Macko then expressed thanks on behalf of the Board for the Fire Department's service and dedication to keeping the Town safe.

Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear to adopt the five-year contract with Freehold Fire District as proposed. Carried 5 ayes

At 6:35pm Councilman Bensen motioned, seconded by Councilman Bear to close the Public Hearing.

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Jessica K. Lewis, Town Clerk-Collector

Supervisor Macko

Councilman Bear

Councilman Richards

Councilman Bensen

Councilman William J. Von Atzingen

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