



Library Board of Trustees

Public Hearing: Presentation of 2025 Budget Proposal for East Greenbush Community Library

Held: July 23, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.

In person, livestreamed, and recorded

In-Person Attendees:

Board of Trustees:

- Mari Harris, President
- Charlie Pensabene, Vice-President
- Camie Engel, Secretary
- Katie Sheehan, Treasurer
- Amanda Miller, Trustee
- Nichole Krisanda, Trustee
- Michael Poost, Trustee

Library:

- Jill Dugas Hughes, Library Director
- Jenna Schmonsky, Administrative Assistant

Members of the Public:

- Julie Ann Price, Friends of the East Greenbush Library
- Jim McHugh, Town of East Greenbush
- Christine Wasyl
- Betty Bellino Guigno

Board Treasurer Katie Sheehan presented the proposed 2025 East Greenbush Community Library Budget. The proposed budget includes a 4.2% tax levy increase. This proposed budget will accommodate higher operational costs, program and material enhancements identified by the community during the strategic planning process, and construction projects that are underway to repair and renovate the 22-year-old library structure.

J. Ann Price's comments centered on the multi-year construction project, the library's role as a community warming station during power outages, purchasing a generator for Library, and Schodack representation. C. Wasyl inquired about trustee requirements. B. Bellino Guigno commented favorably on the decision to repair and renovate the library structure and was very appreciative of the library's addition of more adult programs.