

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
REGISTRATION OF VOTERS
AND VOTING
ON
2020 – 2021
SCHOOL BUDGET, SCHOOL BUSES,
AND ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS
EAST GREENBUSH CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that a virtual public hearing of the inhabitants of the above named district will be held in the Administration Center, East Greenbush, New York on May 27, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., local time. Information is available on the District's website at www.egcsd.org.

The Board of Education will present at said public hearing, a detailed statement in writing, of the amount of money which will be required for the school year 2020 - 2021 for school purposes. Copies of said budget, tax exemption notice, and the text of any resolution which will be presented to the voters, may be obtained by any qualified voter of the district at any school office of the district on and after May 26, 2020 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. except Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Copies will also be available at any public library or free association library within the district and on the district's website.

Voting on the budget and election of Board members and any propositions will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 via absentee ballot only.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that, in accordance with Executive Order 202.26, at least (1) absentee ballot shall be provided per household for the 2020 annual meeting. If a household requires additional ballots, please contact the District Clerk at 518-207-2524 or pangburnje@egcsd.org. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on June 9, 2020. A list of persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be available for inspection in the District Clerk's Office, during regular business hours, during each of the five (5) days prior to the election, except Sundays, and shall also be posted at the doors of the polling place(s) on June 9, 2020, as follows:

- Voting District #1: Bus bay of the Donald P. Sutherland Elementary School, Nassau, NY.
- Voting District #2: Main entrance doors of the Green Meadow Elementary School, Schodack, NY.
- Voting District #3: Main entrance doors of the Bell Top Elementary School, North Greenbush, NY.
- Voting District #4: Main entrance doors of the Howard L. Goff Middle School, East Greenbush, NY.

Nominations of candidates for the office of member of Board of Education must be filed with the District Clerk not later than May 11, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Election of Board Members will be on an at-large basis. Candidates receiving a plurality of the votes cast respectively for the several offices shall be declared elected in accordance with Section 2034, Paragraph 7 of the Education Law.

Three vacancies are to be filled. The vacancies are for (3) three-year terms commencing on July 1, 2020 and expiring on June 30, 2023.

In accordance with New York State Executive Order No. 202.26, there is no minimum threshold of signatures required on nominating petitions for this election, provided, however, an individual must meet any other requirements necessary to be placed on the ballot, including any applicable residency and age requirements.

Any propositions to amend the budget, or otherwise to be submitted for voting at the election, must be filed with the District Clerk no later than May 11, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Each proposition must be signed by at least eighty-three (83) qualified voters of the district, which is the greater of 25 or 5% (five percent) of the number of voters who voted in the previous annual election. Any proposition may be rejected by the Board of Education if the purpose of the proposition is not within the power of the voters, or where the expenditure of moneys is required by the proposition, if the proposition fails to include the necessary specific appropriation. The District reserves the right to alter the language of a proposition in order to ensure compliance with the law.

DESCRIPTION OF VOTING DISTRICTS

VOTING DISTRICT #1 (Donald P. Sutherland Elementary School)

- a. All residents of the East Greenbush Central School District who have a Nassau, New York mailing address.
- b. Those residents of the East Greenbush Central School District who live in the Town of Sand Lake.
- c. Those residents of the East Greenbush Central School District who live in the Town of Chatham in Columbia County.

VOTING DISTRICT #2 (Green Meadow Elementary School)

- a. All of the residents of the Town of Schodack that do not have a Nassau mailing address.

VOTING DISTRICT #3 (Bell Top Elementary School)

- a. All of the residents of the Town of North Greenbush.

VOTING DISTRICT #4 (Howard L. Goff Middle School)

- a. All of the residents of the Town of East Greenbush.

RESIDENTS OF DISTRICTS #1, 2, 3 and 4 will vote via absentee ballot only.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN the following Propositions in substantially the following form shall be presented to the qualified voters of the District at such Annual District Meeting and Election and appear on the ballots to be inserted in the voting machines.

PROPOSITION NO. 1

For the amount(s) of money which will be required for the school year 2020 - 2021 for school purposes.

RESOLVED;

That the operating budget, in the amount of \$_____ as proposed by the Board of Education, be adopted for the school fiscal year 2020 – 2021 and the levy of taxes be assessed therefore in accordance with law.

PROPOSITION NO. 2

SCHOOL BUSES PROPOSITION

RESOLVED;

(a) That the Board of Education of the East Greenbush Central School District, in the Counties of Rensselaer and Columbia, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to purchase four (4) sixty-six (66) passenger school buses at the estimated cost of \$114,753 each, aggregating \$459,012, two (2) thirty-five (35) passenger school buses at the estimated cost of \$68,152 each, aggregating \$136,304, one (1) thirty passenger four-wheel drive bus at an estimated cost of \$80,323 and one (1) twenty-two (22) passenger drive bus at an estimated cost of \$60,431, the foregoing to total the aggregate maximum amount of \$736,070 and to expend therefore, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$736,070;

(b) that the Board of Education is hereby authorized to expend \$736,070 for the vehicles referred to herein from the District's "Bus Purchase Reserve Fund" which was established pursuant to voter approval on May 15, 2018; and

(c) that the Board of Education is hereby further authorized to deposit in the District's "Bus Purchase Reserve Fund" an amount up to 100% of any State Aid received in any year with respect to the purchase of vehicles.

Certain of such preceding Propositions shall appear on the ballots to be inserted in the voting machines used for voting at said Annual District Meeting and Election in substantially the following condensed form:

PROPOSITION NO. 2

SCHOOL BUSES PROPOSITION

YES

NO

RESOLVED;

(a) That the Board of Education of the East Greenbush Central School District, in the Counties of Rensselaer and Columbia, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to purchase various school buses and to expend therefore, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$736,070;(b) that the Board of Education is hereby authorized to expend \$736,070 for the vehicles referred to herein from the District's "Bus Purchase Reserve Fund" which was established pursuant to voter approval on May 15, 2018; and (c) that the Board of Education is hereby further authorized to deposit in the District's "Bus Purchase Reserve Fund" an amount up to 100% of any State Aid received in any year with respect to the purchase of vehicles.

NOTICE IS ALSO HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Section 2014 of the Education Law, personal registration of voters is required and no person shall be entitled to vote at said meeting whose name does not appear on the register of said school district or who does not register as hereinafter provided, except a person who is otherwise qualified to vote and is registered under the provisions of the Election Law. The Board of Registration shall prepare a register for said annual district meeting, except that the register prepared at the last special meeting or election shall be used as the basis therefore and shall include all persons who shall have presented themselves personally for registration thereat and also persons who shall have been previously registered hereunder for any annual or special district meeting or election held or conducted at any time where four years prior to the preparation of said register.

VOTER REGISTRATION

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that because of health and safety concerns associated with the novel coronavirus pandemic and the Governor's resulting order of school building closure, the School District will not conduct personal registration of voters for the June 9, 2020 annual meeting and general election. Unregistered voters may register to vote with the Board of Elections by filing an application online with the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles ("DMV"). Information is available at <https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/electronic-voter-registration-application>.

QUALIFICATION OF VOTERS

A person shall be entitled to register, and to vote if registered, at any school meeting for the election of school district officers, and upon all other matters which may be brought before such meeting who is:

1. A citizen of the United States
2. Eighteen years of age
3. A resident within the district for a period of thirty days next preceding the meeting at which he/she offers to vote

The register of voters prepared by the Board of Registration will be available for inspection by any qualified voter between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. local time at the office of the District Clerk from June 3, 2020 (period of five days), except Sundays.

Notice is also given that military voters who are not currently registered may apply to register as a qualified voter of the School District by requesting to be registered by the District Clerk at 518-207-2524 or pangburnje@egcsd.org. Registered, qualified voters of the School District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at the phone number or email address listed above. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 14, 2020. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or electronic mail.

DATES OF PUBLICATION

May 12, 2020 - Tuesday

May 29, 2020 - Friday