



PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

Town Board

Town of North Greenbush

AUGUST 13, 2026

6:50 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Supervisor Bott _____

Councilwoman Hoffman _____

Councilwoman Merola _____

Councilman Gordon _____

Councilwoman Sabo _____

Public Hearing to Consider Amending Chapter 189 (Water), Article VIII of the Code of the Town of North Greenbush to Establish a Mandatory Meter Access Policy and Non-Access Infrastructure Surcharge

Comments on the Agenda:

Discussion:

Adjournment:

Chapter 189 Water
Article VIII Penalties (Sections 189-16 – 189-18)

§ 189-16.1 Mandatory Meter Access and Non-Access Surcharge.

A. Right of Access. The Superintendent of Water or their authorized representative shall have access to any premises served by municipal water at reasonable hours for the purpose of reading, inspecting, repairing, or replacing water meters.

B. Non-Access Infrastructure Surcharge. In the event a water meter records a continuous "zero" or non-communicating reading, and the property owner fails or refuses to grant physical access to Town personnel to replace or repair the meter within sixty (60) days of a written request, a \$150.00 Quarterly Non-Access Surcharge shall be applied to the account.

C. Billing and Accumulation. This \$150.00 surcharge shall be billed quarterly in addition to the standard minimum water rate of \$29.75. It shall repeat every consecutive billing cycle until a functioning meter is successfully installed by the Town.

D. Application to Historic Violations. Any property with a documented history of non-communication or a "zero" reading spanning twelve (12) months or greater prior to the adoption of this statute shall be issued an immediate 60-day final warning. Failure to comply within sixty (60) days of said notice will trigger immediate enrollment into the quarterly surcharge schedule at the next standard billing cycle.

E. Tax Relevy Authorization. Pursuant to General Municipal Law § 452, any unpaid Non-Access Infrastructure Surcharges remaining outstanding at the end of the annual collection cycle shall become a direct lien against the real property and shall be certified for relevy onto the Town and County real property tax roll.