

GREENVILLE FIRE DISTRICT

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Mr. Paul Feiner, Supervisor
Town of Greenburgh
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Dear Mr. Feiner:

On very short (i.e., hours) notice, the Greenville Fire District Board of Commissioners ("GFD") was informed that the Town Board would be taking action on a resolution to allow Town residents a brief deferral of tax payments (including fire district taxes) following State and County resolutions that only addressed waiving late penalty fees for late tax payments. Despite our request, no written details or information regarding the Town's proposal – much less the specific language of the Town's resolution – were provided to, or discussed with, us. While we wished the Town Board success with the proposal (so as to benefit residents), at no point did the Town write to us to suggest that it would delay payments to GFD on GFD's Tax Warrant. More pointedly, at no point did GFD agree to late/partial payment.

At all times, GFD informed the Town that GFD's actions would be guided by the legal boundaries of applicable NYS law and requested that any proposals included citations to the law which granted us authority for any proposed actions, which was never provided. To that end, the Town has sole authority to collect relevant taxes. The Town likewise is required by law to pay the Tax Warrants to GFD and other fire districts. We are not aware of any authority that permits late/partial payment on the Tax Warrant.

Please confirm that the Town timely will forward the payments due to GFD.

Regards,



Walter Groden, Chair *WG*
Board of Fire Commissioners

cc: Town Board