

The Town of Moriah Town Board held their Regular Town Board Meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2020 at 6:00pm at the Town of Moriah Court House, 42 Park Place, Port Henry, NY.

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| Present: | Thomas Scozzafava | Supervisor |
| | Paul Salerno | Councilman |
| | Tom Anderson | Councilman |
| | Matt Brassard | Councilman |
| | Nathan Gilbo | Councilman |

Others Present: Bill Trybendis, Ed Roberts, Lohrer McKinstry and Rose French-Town Clerk

Supervisor Thomas Scozzafava called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Supervisor Scozzafava did a roll call and all Board members were present.

The Supervisor stated due to COVID 19 we were going to hold the meeting outside but with the wind he was afraid you wouldn't be able to hear anything on the video. The meeting will be live streamed because the public cannot attend. The building will be cleaned thoroughly after the meeting.

ON MOTION by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was

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| APPROVED | Ayes | Scozzafava, Salerno, Anderson, Brassard, Gilbo |
| | Nays | 0 |
| | Absent | 0 |

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

Supervisor's Report:

The Supervisor gave a report on the Corona Virus. He reported that the Town Hall is open every day from 8:00am – 4:00pm. The Transfer Station still has the same hours; but they are not accepting recyclables at this time. Once we get through this they will start accepting them again. The Supervisor stated you can either store your recyclables or throw them in the trash. Town employees are working with split crews; 50% staff reduction. The Board has been made aware through emails. Water & sewer deadline for first payment has been extended to May 3, 2020. Please mail in all payments.

Councilman Salerno asked about grievance day. The Supervisor stated the final roll is due July 1, 2020. The Assessors have not done new construction yet. Board of Assessment and Review members will need training; the Town Clerk thinks the only one is Sharon O'Connor. Assessments are at 100%; will not see 6% increase this year.

The Supervisor stated that the town budget will get hit hard; we have already been notified that any state money we get will be reduced by 5 or 10%. We are on emergency spending only.

Resolutions:

103. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilman Gilbo, the following resolution was

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| APPROVED | Ayes | Scozzafava, Salerno, Anderson, Brassard, Gilbo |
| | Nays | 0 |
| | Absent | 0 |

RESOLVED to officially name the Privately owned road on the east side of 9N & 22 across from the former Vic's Motel as Peter's Island Road.

104. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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| APPROVED | Ayes | Scozzafava, Salerno, Anderson, Brassard, Gilbo |
| | Nays | 0 |
| | Absent | 0 |

RESOLVED to set tentative opening date for both campgrounds for June 6, 2020.

105. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilman Gilbo, the following resolution was

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| APPROVED | Ayes | Scozzafava, Salerno, Anderson, Brassard, Gilbo |
| | Nays | 0 |
| | Absent | 0 |

RESOLVED An award be made to an engineering firm for the Moriah Sewer Upgrades project # P-1005-2019.

Further, the notice of award shall be made only after an acceptable price for these services be agreed upon between the firm ranked first by the Qualification Based Selection (QBS) process, and the Town.

The ranking of the firms is as follows:

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| 1. MJ Engineering, P.C. – | 100 / 100 points |
| 2. AES Northeast, PLLC – | 99 / 100 points |
| 3. C2AE - | 91 / 100 Points |
| 4. KSPE – | 82 / 100 points |
| 5. EDP - | 80 / 100 points |

106. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilman Gilbo, the following resolution was

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| APPROVED | Ayes | Scozzafava, Salerno, Anderson, Brassard, Gilbo |
| | Nays | 0 |
| | Absent | 0 |

RESOLVED A RESOLUTION AWARDED THE BID FOR THE MORIAH SEWER UPGRADES PROJECT ENGINEERING CONTRACT TO MJ ENGINEERING AND LAND SURVEYING, PC, (“MJ”) WITH THE FUNDS THEREOF TO COME FROM THE NYS EFC GRANT AND LOAN # C5-5566-05-00 AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE TOWN BOARD TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH MJ FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Moriah has reviewed all proposals submitted for the Moriah Sewer Upgrades project Request for Proposals with the assistance from Essex County Community Resources;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that after review and discussion of the proposals submitted to the Town Board at a Regular Board Meeting on this date;

WHEREAS, the decision was made to select an engineering firm, that most fist the needs associated with this project and an acceptance price has been agreed upon;

THEREFORE, the Town Board of the Town of Moriah will award **MJ** the engineering contract for said project in the amount of \$603,600.00.

Discussion: Based on scale of points. Funded through grant money. Projects are on hold right now where the Town has to spend the money first and then be reimbursed.

107. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Gilbo, the following resolution was

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| APPROVED | Ayes | Scozzafava, Salerno, Anderson, Brassard, Gilbo |
| | Nays | 0 |
| | Absent | 0 |

RESOLVED authorization for Supervisor to sign Contract Agreement with Adirondack Landfill Services for groundwater monitoring at the old landfill site as required by DEC; amount for 12 months is \$1,797.00.

Discussion: The Supervisor stated this is the same amount as last year.

108. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Anderson, the following resolution was

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| APPROVED | Ayes | Scozzafava, Salerno, Anderson, Brassard, Gilbo |
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Nays 0
Absent 0

RESOLVED authorization to pay the monthly warrant and end of month warrant.

109. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Gilbo, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Anderson, Brassard, Gilbo
Nays 0
Absent 0

RESOLVED to pay any bills that arrived late and not included on the warrant due to reduced staffing.

Councilman Salerno asked if now would be a good time to look at selling the cell tower lease; we could use the money. The Supervisor stated no; we do have some fund balance to work with; the pandemic will affect next year's budget. Councilman Salerno also asked what the impact would be if we don't open the campsites and the Supervisor stated it would be significant; possible cuts in positions.

The meeting adjourned at 6:11pm.

Abstract Distributions:

Claim Numbers:

March 24, 2020

General \$6,100.00

2020/396

March 30, 2020

General \$2,202.20

2020/399-422

Highway \$76.43

Water #1 \$730.04

Water #2 \$529.26

Water #3 \$134.13

Water #4 \$66.91

Sewer #1 \$74.11

Sewer #2 \$93.16

April 9, 2020

General \$82,953.11

2020/425-544

Highway \$49,697.48

Water #1 \$3,923.09

Water #2 \$3,671.23

Water #3 \$3,758.16

Water #4 \$89.54

Sewer #1 \$9,166.48

Sewer #2 \$4,635.24

Capital Projects:

NYS EFC Master Wastewater Denton Publications \$19.38 #2

Tarbell Hill Pump Station Denton Publications \$19.38 #1

Tarbell Hill Pump Station Environmental Design & Research \$1,280.00 #2

Town Clerk