

The Town of Moriah Town Board held a Budget Workshop on the 2026 Tentative Budget on Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at 6:00pm at the Town of Moriah Court House, 42 Park Place, Port Henry, NY.

Present:	Matthew Brassard	Supervisor
	Paul Salerno	Councilman
	Tom Anderson	Councilman
	James Curran	Councilman

Absent:	Nathan Gilbo	Councilman
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Others Present: Carl Perry, LeeAnn Sprague, William Trybendis and Vicki Sargent-Deputy Clerk

The Supervisor opened the meeting at 6:00pm by saluting the flag.

He then read the legal notice calling for the Budget Workshop.

Supervisor Brassard stated Carl will start with water and sewer and explain projects that will be coming up. Carl stated cleaning the reject reservoir for Water District #1 and Water District #2 will cost millions to empty. Will need to leave the \$2500.00 in equipment for Water District #1 and Water District #2. Carl stated they need a new radio system; current one is outdated and drops out and the air compressor will need to be replaced or repaired. There are electrical issues that need to be addressed. Supervisor Brassard stated that the approximated electric bill for the Water Plant and Waste Water Treatment Plant has increased \$1000.00 more a month from last year. Supervisor Brassard stated we need to have a five-year plan to start increasing operations and maintenance in Water and Sewer Districts to get to where we need to be.

Water District #1 tentative fund balance of \$59,044.00 dropped to \$44,382.00. Ad-Valorem will remain the same at \$137,189.00. The Town Board decided to increase operations and maintenance from \$340.00 to \$365.00. Supervisor Brassard stated that the current Fund Balance is diminishing because of low rates.

Water District #2 tentative fund balance used was \$49,949.00 Supervisor Brassard stated Fund Balance is very low approximately \$1500.00 by the end of year. The board increased rates for

operations and maintenance from \$340.00 to \$375.00 and use all of the fund balance of \$15,00.00. The Town Board discussed needing to consolidate districts for 2027.

Water District #3 tentative fund balance is healthy and staying at \$20,314.00. Operations and maintenance will not increase and stay at \$398.00.

Water District #4 with no fund balance and operations and maintenance will not increase and stay at \$340.00. The Town Board discussed that Water District #4 is maintaining. The Ad-Valorem dropped from the 2025 adopted budget that was \$1171.00 to \$363.00.

For Sewer District 1 The Town Board has decided to use \$83,791.00 of the Fund Balance of Sewer District 1 so it says the same as last year. The operations and maintenance will stay at \$256.00 and debt will stay at \$184.00.

Sewer District 2 tentative fund balance used \$119,086.00 and to be approximately \$70,000.00 by end of year. Because of low Fund Balance the Town Board decided to increase operations and maintenance from \$440.00 to \$480.00. With increased rates it is still not enough to cover expenditures. Supervisor Brassard stated we will have to go through figures and discuss Sewer District 2 at the next Budget Workshop on Tuesday October 21st next week.

Town Clerk/Deputy Clerk