

The Town of Moriah Town Board held their Regular Town Board Meeting on Thursday, June 13, 2019 at 6:00pm at the Town of Moriah Court House, 42 Park Place, Port Henry, New York.

**Present:** Thomas Scozzafava Supervisor  
Tom Anderson Councilman  
Luci Carpenter Councilwoman  
Matt Brassard Councilman

**Absent:** Paul Salerno Councilman

**Others Present:** Jamie Wilson, Bill Trybendis, Ed Roberts, Sharon O'Connor, Cecelia Wojciukiewicz, Diana Stevenson, Rich Lapier, Mark Davenport, Jackie Viestenz, and Rose French-Town Clerk.

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

**ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

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

#### **Floor Open to the Public:**

Jackie Viestenz would like to thank Ed Roberts and crew for hanging the planters; also she would like to thank Jamie Wilson and crew for planting the trees on Main Street. The Supervisor thanked Jackie for all she has done.

#### **Department Head Reports:**

Rich Lapier-Building Codes: Issued 2 building permits for the Month of May and responded to 4 complaints and did one (1) fire/safety inspection.

The Supervisor stated that we have two (2) Code Enforcement Officers; Rich Lapier-new construction and Frank Slycord-property maintenance; they have been very busy. Starting to make progress on property clean up.

Jamie Wilson-Highway Superintendent: They have been hauling gravel for dirt roads. They planted the trees on Main Street. He would like to thank all the volunteers for their help with that. The tree in the park has been cut down and taken care of. The pier is cleaned up the best it can be right now, still some water on it. Highway employees were trained on the bucket truck by the County; banners are up. They have been doing some roadside mowing. Repairing potholes. Working on a Healthy Places grant for the playground on Pelfishire Road. Will be putting in a crosswalk by the park next to Linney Field and signs. Will be getting a radar speed signal. Still waiting on word from the insurance company regarding the excavator; it has been three (3) weeks. Also waiting on estimate from tech; it will probably be down most of the summer. Mr. Wilson spoke to Cheyenne Morin Transfer Station Operator and also Ticonderoga and Schroon Lake regarding the metal collection process at the Transfer Station. He has reached out to our current vendor and another vendor and we are trying to come up with a system so we can start collecting refrigerators and air conditioners again. The Supervisor stated that Moore Recycling is not taking any metal into Canada. Earth Waste will take the metal but the Freon has to be out of them. Mr. Wilson stated the Town would have to hire another vendor to remove the Freon. The Supervisor stated that Moore Recycling is trying to work with us. The Supervisor stated it's a good idea if you buy a new refrigerator have it delivered so they will take the old one. The Supervisor also stated that the whole system at the Transfer Station needs to be looked at. We need scales.

Ed Roberts-Building & Grounds: Mr. Roberts reported that the playground at Linney Field is a mess. They have had to do a lot of repairs on the Viking ship. The Supervisor stated that we posted the hours. He stated that the police are patrolling more. Mr. Roberts also asked what

could be done about the “dumping areas” around town, can we put up trail cameras. The Supervisor stated that putting up cameras opens up a legal issue. Councilman Anderson asked if there has been a decision made yet regarding the legalities of using surveillance cameras and the Supervisor said no. The Supervisor said he is surprised about what is being dumped along the roadside, most of it is stuff you can get rid of for free anyway.

Mr. Roberts stated that the DEC will be removing the cedar posts at the boat launch and putting stone in.

Councilman Brassard asked if the tree has been taken down at Raymond Wright Park. Mr. Roberts stated no. The Supervisor stated that whoever takes it down will have to climb it. Councilman Brassard stated that Dayton Dedrick asked him about it. The Supervisor stated that we are getting three (3) quotes for the job.

### **Town Board Report's:**

Councilman Anderson stated they went over applications and did interviews for the Summer Program. He has a list of counselors to hire. Steve Pelkey is working on the Department of Health Packet. The Summer Program will run July 8, 2019 – August 9, 2019. Last day for campers is August 8, 2019. August 9<sup>th</sup> will be a clean-up day. Applications for the campers are at the school and also the Town Hall. The Supervisor stated that the program is getting more regulated and some towns are talking about doing away with the program because of the measles issue. It might come down to having an RN on staff and the program just can't afford that. Councilman Anderson stated it has been challenging this year to get counselors.

Councilwoman Carpenter read the Police Report: Handled 162 calls for service. 3 Violations-1 harassment 2<sup>nd</sup> degree, 2-disorderly conduct. 5 Misdemeanors-2 aggravated unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle 3<sup>rd</sup> degree, 1 criminal mischief in the 4<sup>th</sup> degree, 1 criminal trespass in the 2<sup>nd</sup> degree, 1 issuing bad checks. 0 Felonies. Issued 19 traffic tickets. Handled 5 traffic accidents. Conducted 12 pistol permit background investigations.

Councilwoman Carpenter would like to thank all the Waterfront Committee members. The grant has been submitted for improvements. Won't hear until September. The Supervisor asked if this was for Shoreline Erosion also and Mark Davenport said no, it is separate. Councilwoman Carpenter stated that committee members have visited other campsites for ideas. They would like to meet with the Town Board regarding support; commitment; and communication. The Supervisor stated we should hold a special meeting just for campsite. Councilwoman Carpenter asked if the beach house at Champ RV Park could be leased as a snack bar. The Supervisor said yes, but whoever lease's it would be responsible for all the regulations by the Department of Health. The lease would be for the building only. They would be responsible for everything else.

Councilwoman Carpenter asked about the boat rentals. The Supervisor stated he thought they would do better at Champ RV Park. He also feels that we should drop the rates and see how it goes. Councilman Brassard stated there are a lot of teenage kids at Champ RV Park that would love them. The Supervisor stated we won't put them out until the lifeguards are here. The Board was in agreement with moving the rentals to Champ RV Park. The Supervisor stated the Managers would collect the money for the boat rentals.

Councilwoman Carpenter asked if the Waterfront Committee needed the Town Board's permission to solicit donations. The Supervisor stated they can't solicit; it has to be not for profit. For example, when the group collecting money for the iron ore sculpture has enough money; it has to go out to bid. The Supervisor stated that the Town cannot be a community bank like with Johnny Podres fund, the sculpture fund, baseball fund etc.. He stated the money could go through the Chamber. Mark Davenport asked if Walmart could donate and the Supervisor said yes. Donations for the campsite would have to go directly to the Town not through the Waterfront Committee. Councilwoman Carpenter asked if there was any leftover money from the sidewalk project and the Supervisor said no. Councilwoman Carpenter stated they are hoping to get donations to work on the brochure. Mark Davenport passed out a sample brochure. The Supervisor suggested that the Committee invite ROOST to their next meeting; this is what they do. In exchange for the bed tax they do our advertising.

Councilman Brassard thanked Jamie and crew for getting the campgrounds ready. He stated it was a crazy spring with all the flooding.

He is still working on the income surveys. It has been tough getting people to open their doors and give information. Sharon O'Connor stated she feels the confusion is if the owner or renter should be filling it out. The Supervisor stated it is based on the renter's income. The Supervisor thought the article in The Sun did a good job of relaying this. Councilman Brassard stated we have 3 weeks left. The Supervisor stated we should concentrate on Grover Hills. Mark Davenport asked what the threshold was. The Supervisor stated we have to have 51% and the median income is \$45,000. Councilman Brassard stated they still need to deliver between 65-80 surveys.

**110. ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, unanimous second, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** a resolution of appreciation to Ms. Woodard's 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Class for cleaning up Linney Field.

Discussion: They got rid of between 8 – 10 bags of garbage.

### **Supervisor's Report:**

The Supervisor received a thank you card from Linda Smyth thanking Ed Roberts, John Hickey and all who worked so hard hanging the banners.

The Supervisor stated we received a quote from Orkin to remove Pidgeon feces at the Iron Center in the amount of \$3,285.00. Jeff Popp has offered to clean it up when he does the work on the cupola. The Town Board was in agreement with this.

**111. ON MOTION** by Supervisor Scozzafava, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to rescind Resolution #96 of May 9, 2019 resolving to issue a Ban for a new Police Vehicle through Orrick Bond Counsel and Glens Falls National Bank.

Discussion: The Supervisor stated that we will not need to take out a BAN; we used money in reserves to pay for it.

The Supervisor gave a brief report on the monthly EMS Report: Moriah EMS had 40 calls; Mineville/Witherbee Fire Department had 7 calls; Moriah Fire Department had 12 calls; Port Henry Fire Department had 18 calls and Moriah Police Department had 57 calls.

The Supervisor stated that last year we did a resolution in support of the sale of Tub Mill Pond. He has been getting calls from residents asking if they can go up there. Yes, you can hike up in there and even kayak, he is not sure yet about camping and camp fires. Ed Roberts thought it was roughly a 3-mile hike.

The Supervisor stated that seasonal numbers are down at Bulwagga Bay but he does not have an exact number; however, seasonals are up at Champ RV Park.

### **Resolutions:**

**112. ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** authorization for Supervisor to do interfund advances in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 9-A to transfer monies due to Town accounts from Capital Projects and to write off any interfund advances that can't be paid.

Discussion: The Supervisor stated some of these Capital Projects go back to the 90's. You over spend and then have to pick up the balance out of the General Fund and then you have to pay that fund back.

113. **ON MOTION** by Councilwoman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** authorization to transfer \$2,787.45 from General Fund to Sidewalk Capital Project.

114. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** authorization for Supervisor to get a VISA Business Card from Glens Falls National Bank. Card to be secured at Town Clerk's Vault and only Supervisor authorized to use with Town Board approval.

Discussion: The Supervisor was opposed to this for years, but it is getting harder and harder to buy anything with a voucher. Councilwoman Carpenter asked if the Supervisor would call the Board every time he used it and the Supervisor said no, would follow the Procurement Policy. The Town Clerk stated it would make it easier to order on line, because a lot of times you can get items cheaper on line.

115. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to authorize the Supervisor to advance \$5,000.00 cash from Water District #1 to Water District #4 to cover costs for cash flow.

Discussion: The Supervisor stated that Water District #4 does not pay enough in Operation and Maintenance. Too much was collected in Water #1. We will be consolidating Water Districts #1, #2, and #4 probably in August. The Town has 17 different bank accounts.

116. **ON MOTION** by Councilwoman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to authorize the Supervisor to close out CDBG as per Charlie Phillion for old housing projects to General Fund in the amount of \$2,581.84.

Discussion: The Supervisor stated this is another account that has been sitting there for years.

117. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to authorize payment of \$19,965.00 to Adirondack Concrete for Sidewalk Project.

Discussion: The Project is complete and it looks good. Jamie Wilson met with NYS DOT regarding the parking on Main Street. May lose 2 or 3 spots when it is changed. Parking lot is working out good.

118. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to authorize Contractual Agreement with Hannah Clark and Shannon Smith for Assistant Managers at Champ RV Park at no compensation-only for when Managers are not available.

Discussion: No Assistant Managers at Champ RV Park; Managers left daughter in charge when they had an emergency. Councilwoman Carpenter stated they would not receive any compensation and the Supervisor stated that is correct.

119. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to set price for C & D at Transfer Station at \$40.00 per yard.

Discussion: The Supervisor stated it is \$30.00 right now. If the Board is in agreement, it can be effective July 1<sup>st</sup>. The Board was in agreement with this.

120. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to increase hours of Transfer Station Assistant to 35 hours per week for the Summer.

Discussion: Councilwoman Carpenter asked what his hours were right now and the Supervisor said 28.

121. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** authorization for Supervisor to sign agreement between Teamsters Local 294 and Town of Moriah.

Discussion: The contract was approved months ago, the language in it was the problem.

122. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** authorization to pay Plumbing Today \$4,676.00 for emergency slip lining on sewer lateral on Broad Street from Sewer District #2.

Discussion: This involved 3 homes where the lateral crossed the road.

123. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilman Anderson, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Anderson, Carpenter, Brassard

Nays 0  
Absent Salerno

**RESOLVED** to surplus 2009 Crown Victoria Police Car and put out to bid in “as is” condition. Bid opening at July Board Meeting.

Discussion: The Supervisor will help the Town Clerk write up the bid.

- 124. ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to purchase riding mower from Peru Farm Center from dissolution money in the amount of \$4,099.00 (lowest of 3 quotes).

Discussion: The Supervisor stated we have more mowing due to the dissolution of the Village.

- 125. ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to reimburse Mike & Sarah McGrath partial payment for Seasonal Site in the amount of \$980.00 due to a personal crisis at Bulwagga Bay Campsite. Will be charged full rate for month of May.

Discussion: The Supervisor stated that they already paid in full. Councilman Brassard stated he does not have a problem with the refund. He wants to make sure that they understand that they will lose their site for next year.

- 126. ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** authorization for Supervisor to sign agreement for Grant in the amount of \$8,000.00 for Health Places to be used for area play grounds at Linney Field.

- 127. ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** a resolution adopting policy that all campers at the Summer Youth Program must provide proof of MMR vaccination in order to participate in the program.

Discussion: The Supervisor stated that this is a big issue right now with the measles outbreaks. The NYS DOH stated we have to do this.

- 128. ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to set date and time for Public Hearing on CDBG Public Infrastructure Grant for Thursday, July 11, 2019 t 5:45pm (prior to regular board meeting).

Discussion: This is Phase #2 of the \$700,000 Water & Sewer Grant.

- 129. ON MOTION** by Councilwoman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to set date and time for Public Hearing on CDBG Public Facilities Grant for Thursday, July 11, 2019 at 5:45pm (prior to regular board meeting).

130. **ON MOTION** by Councilwoman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Anderson, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to rescind Resolution #104 of May 10, 2018 reducing rates for transients at Bulwagga Bay Campsite and Champ RV Park to \$25.00 Sunday – Thursday and \$35.00 Friday – Saturday, excluding Holiday Weekends.

131. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilman Anderson, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to authorize payment to Orkin in the amount of \$354.51 for quarterly pest control at the Town Hall.

132. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** authorization for Town Employees to place flags on main Street (put out in morning and take down at night) for Memorial Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Labor Day and Veteran's Day; for the Holiday ONLY.

133. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to amend Resolution #132 to include Flag Day.

134. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** a resolution authorizing the issuance of an Invitation to Bid for Construction of the Tarbell Hill Pump Station Upgrades Project, with funds provided by Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Grant numbers C007402GG and C00833GG.

Discussion: This is part of consent order from DEC. Will use grant money. May need to do a BAN.

135. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** payment of the warrant.

136. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Anderson, Carpenter, Brassard

Nays 0  
Absent Salerno

**RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors Thomas Scozzafava remove Reliance Trust Company as Trustee with respect to the Town of Moriah effective June 4, 2019,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Directors appoint Thomas Scozzafava as Trustee with respect to the Town of Moriah effective June 4, 2019.

Discussion: This resolution was already done but it needed an effective date.

- 137. ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to accept proposal from Willie Grant for Town Hall Sign – Road Side - \$675.00; Town Hall Sign-by building-\$450.00; Town Sign-North Entrance - \$275.00; Town Sign – South Entrance - \$425.00.

Discussion: This is to refurbish existing signs. Councilwoman Carpenter asked where this would be paid from and the Supervisor said the General Fund.

- 138. ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to appoint to the 2019 Summer Program the following Counselors: Jarod Lewis, Leslie Flippo, Jessica Canterella, Emma Hayes, Sommer Scorsome, Emily Gangi, Gwendolyn Eichen, Emily Lafountain, Kenzee Cutting.

- 139. ON MOTION** by Councilwoman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Brassard, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** to adjust kayak and canoe rental fees as recommended by the Waterfront Committee and move them to Champ RV Park.

- 140. ON MOTION** by Councilman Brassard, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

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

**RESOLVED** That Thomas Scozzafava, as Town Supervisor of Town of Moriah is hereby authorized and directed to file an application for contributory reimbursement funds as part of the “**10,000 Trees...And Growing!**” tree planting program, and upon approval of said request, to enter into and execute a project agreement with National Grid for such financial contribution to this municipality.

Discussion: The Town Clerk is trying to get reimbursement from National Grid for the trees that we planted on Main Street and/or any future trees the Town may plant.

**Floor open to the public:**

N/A

The meeting adjourned at 7:13pm.

**Abstract Distributions:**

**Claim Numbers:**

May 24, 2019



General	\$36,820.93	2019/744-769
Highway	\$812.51	
Fire Protection	\$52,000.00	
Water #1	\$63.95	
Water #2	\$44.18	
Water #3	\$134.86	
Water #4	\$7.08	
Sewer #1	\$99.91	
Sewer #2	\$108.88	

June 4, 2019

General	\$2,000.00	2019/772-793
Highway	\$4,000.00	
Water #1	\$336.00	
Water #2	\$228.00	
Water #3	\$600.00	
Water #4	\$36.00	
Sewer #1	\$990.00	
Sewer #2	\$210.00	

June 7, 2019

General	\$26,495.17	2019/795
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June 13, 2019

General	\$40,162.99	2019/796-924
Highway	\$4,733.42	
Water #1	\$4,978.93	
Water #2	\$4,788.74	
Water #3	\$10,733.21	
Water #4	\$249.38	
Sewer #1	\$7,789.83	
Sewer #2	\$10,236.65	

**Capital Projects:**

Tarbell Hill Pump Station	Environmental Design	#4	\$6,320.00
Main St. Sidewalk Project	Adirondack Concrete	#3	\$19,965.00

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Town Clerk