

The 209th ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING of the Town Board of the Town of Moriah was held at the Town Hall, 38 Park Place, Port Henry, NY on Thursday, January 5, 2017 at 6:00 P.M.

Present: Thomas Scozzafava Supervisor
 Paul Salerno Councilman
 Thomas Anderson Councilman
 Lucille Carpenter Councilwoman
 Timothy Garrison Councilman

Others Present: Ann Tesar and Rose French-Town Clerk

Thomas Scozzafava opened 209th Organizational Meeting of the Town of Moriah Town Board the meeting by saluting the flag at 6 PM.

1. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was
 APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
 Nays 0
 RESOLVED that Arthur Morgan is hereby appointed Water and Sewer Superintendent for the Town of Moriah with a salary that was adopted in the 2017 budget- \$46,514.00.
2. **ON MOTION** by Councilwoman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Anderson, the following resolution was
 APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
 Nays 0
 RESOLVED that Deputy Supervisor position be hereby set for Town of Moriah for the year 2017. This position is the appointment of the Supervisor and Mr. Scozzafava hereby appoints Paul Salerno as the Deputy Supervisor. Said appointment carries an additional salary of \$1,000.00. He is also authorized to sign checks in the Supervisor's absence.
3. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was
 APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
 Nays 0
 RESOLVED that Thomas R. Scozzafava, Supervisor, be and is hereby authorized by the Town Board of the Town of Moriah to attend the Association of Towns Meetings in New York City in February, 2017. Mr. Scozzafava will attend the Annual Business Session of the Association of Towns and will also be the Voting Delegate for the Town of Moriah. Any elected official desiring to go may attend. Reimbursement will be actual necessary expenses with meals being paid at the state rate.

 Discussion: Art Morgan Water & Sewer Superintendent would like to attend the Association of Towns Meeting in February.
4. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was
 APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
 Nays 0
 RESOLVED that Art Morgan has permission to attend the Association of Towns Meeting in February 2017.
5. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was
 APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
 Nays 0
 RESOLVED that the position of Budget Officer for the Town of Moriah be set and that Thomas R. Scozzafava, Supervisor, be and hereby is appointed Town of Moriah Budget Officer for the year 2017 at a salary of \$2,304.00. Rebecca Gilbo is appointed as Deputy Budget Officer at a salary of \$2,589.00.
6. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Garrison, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

Cheyenne Morin be and is hereby appointed Town of Moriah Transfer Station Operator for the year 2017 at the hourly rate of \$19.30 and set the rate of \$13.68/hr. for the transfer station attendant.

7. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that Julie Ida, be and hereby is appointed Clerk of the Town of Moriah Water and Sewer Districts also Deputy Registrar for the year 2017 at a salary adopted in the 2017 budget of \$23,205.00 and \$1,003.00 as deputy.

8. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Garrison, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah be authorized to pay \$1,100.00 dues to the Association of Towns for the year 2017.

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

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that all Town Officials shall receive their actual and necessary expenses for mileage at the rate allowed by the IRS per mile for 2017 to perform the duties of their offices. Vouchers must have the place they left from and where they went, the miles to and from and what business was conducted for the mileage.

Discussion: The Supervisor reported that he can't remember the last time a councilman has turned in a voucher for mileage. Councilman Salerno asked if they would have to submit a form that had "to" and "from" on it and the Supervisor said, yes.

10. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Garrison, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Moriah hereby designates the The Sun as the official newspaper of the Town of Moriah for the year 2017 with the Press-Republican of Plattsburgh as an alternate.

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

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that Thomas R. Scozzafava, Supervisor, be and is hereby authorized to renew the contract with the Town of Moriah Ambulance Squad, Inc. for the year 2017, for the sum of \$15,000.00 plus diesel to transport residents and persons within the boundaries of the municipality to hospitals (as per contract). The Town also pays for Worker's Compensation for the Ambulance Squad.

12. **ON MOTION** by Councilwoman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Garrison, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board retain the position of Deputy Highway Superintendent to be filled at the discretion of the Highway Superintendent, Jamie Wilson. The position carries a salary as adopted in the 2017 budget in the amount of \$20.30 per hour. The appointed Deputy can use a Town vehicle at Mr. Wilson's discretion.

13. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that Thomas R. Scozzafava, Supervisor be and hereby is authorized to sign checks on all Town of Moriah Municipal Accounts at the Glens Falls National Bank, Port Henry, NY for the year 2017.

14. **ON MOTION** by Councilwoman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that Rose M. French, Town Clerk and Tax Collector by and is authorized to sign checks on the Town Clerk’s Account and the Tax Collector’s Account at the Glens Falls National Bank, Port Henry Office, Port Henry, NY for the year 2017.

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

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED whereas, under and by virtue of Subdivision 1, Section 164, Article 4 of the Town Law, this Board is required to designate the banks of trust companies in this State in which the Supervisor, Town Justices, Town Clerk and Tax Collector, Policeman of the Town of Moriah shall deposit all monies coming into their hands by the virtue of their respective offices, now, **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Glens Falls National Bank, Port Henry Office, Port Henry, NY be and it hereby is designated as depository of all monies coming into the hands of the Supervisor, Town Justices, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Policeman, of the Town of Moriah, by virtue of the respective office and said offices, and said officials are hereby directed to deposit all such monies coming into their hands in said depository for the year 2017.

16. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Garrison, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that Mr. Scozzafava, Supervisor, be and hereby is authorized to purchase Certificates of Deposit with available funds depending on interest rates.

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

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that Stephen Stahl is re-appointed Officer in Charge, Full-time, for the year of 2017 at a salary that was set by the 2017 budget. Art Brassard will be appointed a Full-time Police Officer for the year 2017 at a salary set by the 2017 budget.

All unionized employees will follow the schedule regarding sick, personal leave, and vacation days in accordance with the Union agreement.

Mr. Scozzafava presented the Board with the following list of committees:

- Deputy Supervisor Paul Salerno
- Highway Tom Anderson, Tim Garrison
- Transfer Station. Luci Carpenter, Tim Garrison
- Senior Citizens. Thomas Scozzafava
- Water and Sewer Paul Salerno, Tom Anderson,
- Buildings and Grounds Paul Salerno, Luci Carpenter
- Youth Commission Thomas Anderson, Thomas Scozzafava
(Thomas Anderson Voting Member of Youth Board)
- Campsite. Paul Salerno, Luci Carpenter
- Cable TV Thomas Scozzafava/Luci Carpenter (New Contract Renewal)

Public Access TV/YouTubeLuci Carpenter
 Police Committee* Tim Garrison, Tom Anderson
 Animal Control Luci Carpenter
 Iron Center. Luci Carpenter
 Chamber of Commerce Tim Garrison/Luci Carpenter
 Codes Enforcement Paul Salerno, Luci Carpenter

*Police Committee is required to meet quarterly and the dates will be given to the Town Clerk when the Committee gets them.

Payroll: As per Union Contract and 2017 Budget.

The following schedules are paid holidays, vacation days, and sick days for non-union employees:

Paid Holidays:

New Year's Day	Columbus Day
Martin Luther King, Jr.	Veteran's Day
Presidents Day	Thanksgiving Day
Memorial Day	Day after Thanksgiving
July 4th	Christmas Day
Labor Day	Floating Holiday

Vacations: (Continuous Service)

1 year - - - - - 5 working days	5 years - - - - 15 working days
2 years - - - - -10 working days	10 years - - - - 20 working days

Sick Days: One (1) day per month

18. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
 Nays 0

RESOLVED that Thomas R. Scozzafava, Supervisor, be and he hereby is authorized to renew the contract with the Sherman Free Library, Port Henry, NY for the amount of \$10,000.00 for the year 2017, payable in May 2017.

19. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
 Nays 0

RESOLVED, that Thomas R. Scozzafava, Supervisor, be and he is hereby authorized to state the appropriation for Moriah Fire District No. 1, Mineville/Witherbee Fire District No. 2, and Port Henry Fire District is \$26,000.00 for each department plus an additional \$5,000 of in-kind services for snow plowing for Fire Districts #1 & #2 for the year 2017 payable in May 2017.

Discussion: Councilman Salerno had a suggestion for Fire Commissioner, Jeanne LeClaire. The Supervisor thought that was a good suggestion and suggested Councilman Salerno get ahold of her to see if she is interested.

20. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
 Nays 0

RESOLVED that the compensation for the members of the Board of Assessment Review for 2017 shall be \$300 per year per person unless otherwise authorized by the Town Board, consistent with duties in Town Law as required. (This amount includes the 2 Special Meetings required by the state).

21. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board enter into a shared services contract with Moriah Central School for in-kind services from the Town for snow plowing/ice removal in the amount of \$5,000 in exchange for the use of the school for the summer program for 2017.

Discussion: The school does not bill us for busing the Summer Program kids in exchange, we provide security at the football games. An Agreement will be drafted.

22. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Regular Meetings of the Town Board of the Town of Moriah for 2017 will remain on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM to be held at the Court House, 42 Park Place, Port Henry, New York.

23. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that all Department Heads must attend all Town Board Meetings. IF UNABLE TO ATTEND, THE SUPERVISOR MUST BE NOTIFIED OR THE COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON IF THE SUPERVISOR IS UNAVAILABLE.

24. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that all Town Vehicles must carry the Town insignia decal on each side of the vehicle. Also, Town equipment shall not leave the Town of Moriah unless approved by the immediate Supervisor of that Department. Town equipment is to BE USED FOR TOWN WORK ONLY. Only Town Employees are to be in the vehicles with the exception of the police when making an arrest.

25. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that Richard LaPier be and hereby is appointed to the position of Building Codes Enforcement Officer for the year 2017 at a salary of \$14,901.00 as per the 2017 budget.

Discussion: The Supervisor reported again that effective April 1, 2017, the effective date of the dissolution of the Village of Port Henry, Bill Ball will take over Property Maintenance and Rich Lapier will be doing Building Codes. Councilman Garrison asked if the Town will have to hire Bill Ball as a new employee and the Supervisor reported that there will have to be resolutions creating the new positions.

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

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that Elizabeth LaMoria be and hereby is appointed Town Historian for the Town of Moriah for the year 2017. Mrs. LaMoria as Town Historian shall receive a salary in the amount of \$1,500.00 per year.

27. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter

Nays 0

RESOLVED that one Vital Record book per year is restored for a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00.

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

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that Moriah Family Health Center's Dr. McKeever be appointed Health Officer for the Town of Moriah, at a salary of \$745.00 per year, does not include health insurance, for the year 2017. (This amount is set by state law.)

29. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Garrison, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED to appoint Edward Roberts Animal Control Officer at \$5,000.00 for the year 2017. **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Town Board authorizes Mr. Roberts to perform Animal Control Officer duties during regular business hours in the case of an emergency upon approval from the Supervisor.

30. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Garrison, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that Kimberly Kolodzey be appointed Court Clerk 35 hours per week at a salary of \$12.75 per hour for the year 2017 per the 2017 budget.

31. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Moriah does hereby set the salaries of the following Town Officers and employees for the year 2017 beginning January 1, 2017 at the amounts respectively stated and such salaries shall be payable at the time specified.

NAME	OFFICE	SALARY
Thomas R. Scozzafava	Supervisor	31,341.00
Thomas R. Scozzafava	Budget Officer	2,304.00
Paul Salerno	Councilman	5,221.00
Timothy Garrison	Councilman	5,221.00
Thomas Anderson	Councilman	5,221.00
Luci Carpenter	Councilwoman	5,221.00
Paul Salerno	Deputy Supervisor	1,000.00
Rose M. French	Town Clerk/Tax Collector	31,682.00
Brian Venne	Justice	14,550.00
Richard Carpenter	Justice	14,550.00
Paul Mazzotte	Assessor (Chairman)	12,500.00
Leilani Sprague	Assessor	7,000.00
Brent Ida	Assessor	7,000.00
Jamie Wilson	Highway Supt.	55,000.00
Pam Yakalis	Sen. Citizens Bus Driver	11.73 /hr
Edward Roberts	Buildings & Grounds	40,144.00
Head Lifeguard		13.00/hr.
Lifeguard		11.00/hr.
Campsite Laborer		15.70/hr
Campsite Foreman		16.70/hr.
Senior Account Clerk		49,941.00
Deputy Town Clerk		24,208.00
Deputy Highway Supt.		20.30/hr.

HEO	19.30/hr.
Laborer	17.92/hr.
W & S Maintenance	19.30/hr.
Transfer Station Operator	(40,144.00)19.30/hr.
Transfer Station Attendant	13.68/hr.
Water Plant Operator	(41,621.00)20.01/hr.
John Aurilio	17.28/hr.
Officer in Charge	49,441.00
Police Officer	38,011.00
Court Clerk	12.75/hr.
W & S Supt.	46,514.00

32. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0
RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah renew the contract with Essex County regarding USDA Summer Program, reimbursed by Federal Funds.

33. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0
RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah renew the contract with Essex County regarding the YCC Program reimbursed by Federal and County Funds.

Discussion: The Supervisor reported that this program has had to be scaled way back due to the increase in minimum wage. We used to be able to hire 14 and 15 year olds, now we can only hire 16 and 17 year olds.

34. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Anderson, seconded by Councilman Garrison, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0
RESOLVED the Town of Moriah gives the Chamber of Commerce \$6,875.00 for 2017. The Town Board requests an annual statement.

Discussion: Councilman Garrison asked if the Town ever received the \$2,500 from ROOST. The Supervisor reported that he has called and the Town should have the paperwork next week. The Town should be getting \$2,500 for 2016 and \$2,500 for 2017 for the Chamber. The Supervisor also reported that he spoke to Marty Nephew from Mountain Lake Services regarding the Chamber moving into one of their offices on Main Street. Mr. Nephew was going to look into, would be good for both organizations if they did.

35. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Garrison, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0
RESOLVED that Rose M. French is hereby appointed Registrar of Vital Statistics for the year 2017.

36. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilwoman Carpenter, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0
RESOLVED to contract with Wayne and Ruth Plunkett as Campground Managers at a contract amount of \$17,300.00 and provide them with a site for the 2017 season.

Discussion: Councilman Garrison asked if there was any more talk into converting the Port Henry Beach into a Recreation Park. The Supervisor reported that he has been in contact with our Consultant regarding the redevelopment plan. He wants to make sure both

campsites are being run at their maximum potential. Councilman Salerno asked if the same people would run the Port Henry Campsite next year and the Supervisor said yes.

37. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Garrison, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was

APPROVED Ayes Scozzafava, Salerno, Garrison, Anderson, Carpenter
Nays 0

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board contract with John Silvestri as Attorney for the Town for 2017 at a rate of \$125.00 per hour.

Discussion: The Supervisor reported that Charles Noth will be leaving Port Henry and John Silvestri, who is the Town's Attorney, will be taking over for him.

ON MOTION by Councilwoman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Garrison, the meeting adjourned at 6:45pm.

Town Clerk