

The Town of Moriah Town Board held their Board Meeting Thursday, April 12, 2012 at 6:00pm at the Court House, 42 Park Place, Port Henry, NY.

Present:

Thomas Scozzafava	Supervisor
Richard Carpenter	Councilman
Paul Salerno	Councilman

Absent:

Timothy Garrison	Councilman
Thomas Anderson	Councilman

Others

Present: John Easter; Diana Stevenson; Georgiana Scott; Joe & Diane Lashway; Jackie Viestnenz; Dan Stec, Assembly candidate; Dwayne Maye, Water & Sewer Supt.; Rose French, Deputy Town Clerk; Elaine Adkins, Town Clerk.

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 6:00pm by saluting the flag.

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

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

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

The supervisor introduced Dan Stec, Supervisor of Queensbury, NY who is running for the NYS Assembly Seat in our region.

Floor Open to the Public: No one spoke.

Department Head Reports: Excused were: Ed Roberts, Rich LaPier, Jamie Wilson, Steve Stahl

Dwayne Maye, Water & Sewer Supt., reported that FEMA doesn't think the Bartlett Pond spillway will be a problem.

When flushing hydrants this past week a house on Tarbell Hill Road lost water and had some damage to some of their pipes; wasn't as much damage done as they first thought. We put it in the paper and on channel 17 to turn water off when they flush hydrants, we're not sure what else we can do, maybe send notices in the mail next year. Mr. Salerno asked if we should do a local law for the installation of check valves; Mr. Maye stated he thinks the DOH will be pushing for that sometime in the near future.

Councilman Salerno stated that because of DEC regulations the 270 gallon tank at the water plant has to have a containment system; they also want one on the outside and on the delivery truck which must be designed by an engineer.

Councilman Carpenter gave the following Police Report for February and March: In February the Police Department handled 141 calls of service of which three were violation arrests, five misdemeanor arrests, issued 18 traffic tickets and handle six traffic accidents.

In March the Police Department handled 163 calls for service of which seven were violation arrests, three misdemeanor arrests, issued 15 traffic tickets and handled six traffic accidents.

Town Board General Discussion:

Mr. Carpenter asked that since we took out a Bond until the FEMA money comes in can we pay it off before the next board meeting. The Supervisor stated that we can do a resolution to pay it off if it comes in before the next meeting; we'll do this at the end with all the other resolutions.

Councilman Carpenter stated that he has three quotes for eight lights for the shop at the water department; he stated Hynes Electric was the cheapest at \$150.00 each for the T5s. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was

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

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board approve the purchase of eight T5 lights for the water department's shop from Hynes Electric in the amount of \$150.00 each using the money left from the oil spill.

We received a letter from Haley Waldron asking permission to use the bandstand for a wedding on July 21, 2012. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Supervisor Scozzafava, the following resolution was

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

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board gave Haley Waldron to use the bandstand for a wedding on July 21, 2012.

Town Board Committee Reports:

Councilman Salerno gave the following report for Richard LaPier: Building & Codes issued six building permits in March.; three were violation notices. Mr. LaPier attended Codes training in Lake Placid. He recommended approval of a trailer permit for John Evens on Lakeview Avenue.

Councilman Salerno stated that on April 21st there will be a clean up at Cheney Mountain at the base of the mountain to the top from 9am until noon; anyone interested in helping is welcome. We will supply gloves and bags.

Town wide clean up day will be May 5th; bags, gloves and vest will be given out at the Town Hall the week before and Saturday morning. The Board discussed having a day for the residents to get rid of unwanted junk; proof of residency will be a requirement and they will look into this further.

This year the weather is a lot better for the campground, so far. There have been 145 deposits paid and 22 unpaid; 169 forms have been filled out. The inmates were there helping to clean up along with helping throughout the town. Mark, Ken and Pete begin on Monday. Mr. Salerno is looking into grant money for playground equipment for the campground.

There was a Pre-blast meeting held for Water District #4 yesterday; they will be drilling and blasting about 200 feet on Forge Hollow and another 200 feet at the further end. They have talked with the homeowners and plan on blasting next week. Riznick Construction has agreed to pave the whole road (in the contract only for where the pipe is going in); they have been asked to keep the road watered down to keep the dust down. Everything is progressing well.

Supervisor's Report:

- The Johnny Podres sign will be ready in May or June. The money was raised by donations for the sign and Willy Grant did a beautiful job on it.
- We are sharing a new website with the Chamber and the Village. John Viestnez has been heading this up; we have our Agendas on the website along with the minutes and some of the local laws.
- Received notification that the shelter inspection passed for our temporary shelter.
- There will be a rabies clinic May 1st from 6:00 -7:00pm at the highway garage.
- DEC has a state wide ban on all burning until May 14th; if you are caught burning you will be fined.
- There will be a prescription drop off April 28th from 10:00am until 2:00pm at the Courthouse if anyone has old prescriptions they want to get rid of.
- Received our permit from the Army Corps of Engineers for the campground; this is a 10 year permit. We will have to find money to do the work with.
- Good news, NYS will be picking up the town's share of 25 percent from the storms.

Resolutions:

1. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Carpenter, Salerno, Scozzafava
Nays 0
Absent Anderson, Garrison
RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board authorize the Town Clerk to do a mail in census for dogs in the Town of Moriah.

2. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Carpenter, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Carpenter, Salerno, Scozzafava
Nays 0
Absent Anderson, Garrison
RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board contract with William and Constance Stoddard as Assistant Managers for Bulwagga Bay Campsite for the 2012 season.

3. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Carpenter, Salerno, Scozzafava
Nays 0
Absent Anderson, Garrison
RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board go to bid for docks at the Bulwagga Bay Campsite for a boat launch (the cost to be covered by FEMA) with the bid opening at the May 10th Board meeting.

4. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Carpenter, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Salerno, Carpenter, Scozzafava
Nays 0
Absent Anderson, Garrison
RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board contract with mike Brenish to up-date and maintain the Town website at \$25.00 per hour plus expenses incurred for 2012.

5. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Carpenter, seconded by Councilman Salerno, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Carpenter, Salerno, Scozzafava
Nays 0
Absent Anderson, Garrison
RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board approve the mobile home permit for John Evens, 320 Lakeview Avenue per Richard LaPier's recommendation.

6. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Carpenter, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Salerno, Carpenter, Scozzafava
Nays 0
Absent Anderson, Garrison
RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board approve a two lot subdivision for Martin Malone, Tax map No. 97.13-2-27.100.

7. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Carpenter, the following resolution was
APPROVED Ayes Salerno, Carpenter, Scozzafava
Nays 0
Absent Anderson, Garrison
RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board authorize the Water & Sewer Department to start 10 hours days, 40 hours per week beginning May 1st through September 30th with Mondays and weekends off.

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

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

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board contract with C.T. Male for design and engineering services for the replacement of Bartlett Pond Dam as per their proposal dated March 14, 2012 using FEMA and Irene funds.

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

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

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board authorize the replacement of the Welcome to Moriah sign on 9N & 22 south entrance as per quote by Will Grant not to exceed \$1,400.00.

10. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Carpenter, with a Unanimous second, the following resolution was

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

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board opposes the sale of the Horace Nye Nursing Home.

The Supervisor stated he does not believe the nursing home is a deficit to the county. Mr. Lashway asked if they could put the mail into a designated fund from the sale of the home; the answer was yes, but the Supervisor is afraid the money will be spent elsewhere. A lot of them come from hospitals as swing bed patients where the first 100 days are covered by Medicare and when they come to the home they are only covered by Medicaid which pays a lot less money.

11. **ON MOTION** by Councilman Carpenter, with a Unanimous second, the following resolution was

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

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board offers a resolution of appreciation and congratulations to Ralph Jaquish and Paul Tromblee on their retirement; Ralph after 53 dedicated years as Fire Chief and Paul after 18 dedicated years as Fire Chief.

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

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

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board authorize the Supervisor to pay Riznick Construction \$66,803.04 for the Water District #4 Project.

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

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

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board approve payment of the warrants.

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

APPROVED Ayes Carpenter, Salerno, Scozzafava
Nays 0

Absent Anderson, Garrison

RESOLVED that the Town of Moriah Town Board authorize the Supervisor to pay off the Bond with the FEMA money should it come in before the next meeting.

Floor open to the Public: No one spoke.
The meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.

Abstract Distributions:

Claim Nos.

(March 28, 2012 End of Month Bills)

Highway	\$3,491.43	334 - 350
General	41.91	
Water #1	76.14	
Water #2	50.71	
Sewer	215.67	

(April 12, 2012)

General	\$73,138.24	358 – 470
Highway	14,440.22	
Water #1	2,887.13	
Water #2	1,946.59	
Sewer	2,567.82	

Capital Projects:

Claim Nos.

Water #4	\$76,717.19	5 – 8
Court House	951.17	5 – 6

Town Clerk