

The Town of Moriah Town Board held a special Town Board Meeting on Thursday, July 20, 2023 at 6:00pm at the Town of Moriah Court House, 42 Park Place, Port Henry, NY on the Community Development Block Grant for Wells/Septic's in Cheever.

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

Absent: Nathan Gilbo Councilman

Others Present: Bill Trybendis, Lance Galvin, Jennifer Smith and Rose French-Town Clerk

The Supervisor opened the meeting at 6:00pm. He then read the legal notice calling for the special meeting.

The Supervisor stated in order to go forward with the CDBG grant application there are 2 resolutions that the Town Board need to pass.

Resolutions:

- 140. ON MOTION** by Councilman Salerno, seconded by Councilman Anderson, the following resolution was
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| Approved | Ayes | Scozzafava, Salerno, Anderson, Brassard |
| | Nays | 0 |
| | Absent | Gilbo |

RESOLVED A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Moriah has identified housing and assisting low/moderate income homeowners, as its most severe community development need, and

WHEREAS, the proposed program area is hereby defined as having many homes with substandard on-site, drinking water (private) wells and/or on-site sanitary septic systems occupied by low/moderate income families, Substandard is defined as:

A private, on-site, water well or on-site sanitary septic system, which is non-existent or defective but can still be installed or repaired for a reasonable amount, and

WHEREAS, the only affordable means of financing a program designed to meet these needs is to secure funding from the NYS Office of Community Renewal Community Development Block Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, due to the sparsely populated character of the proposed program area with homes scattered over a large geographical area, a non-target methodology is to be employed to assist only low- and moderate-income persons.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Moriah authorizes Supervisor, Thomas Scozzafava, to sign and submit an application to the NYS Office of Community Renewal for a community development program for housing rehabilitation (Standalone Residential Water & Wastewater Activities/Laterals), to act in connection with the submission of the application, and to provide such additional information as may be required.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Housing Assistance Program of Essex County, Inc. will perform administrative services as a subrecipient for the Town of Moriah.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Moriah is committed to affirmatively further fair housing within the town's jurisdiction, will substantially comply

with all Federal, State, and local laws, rules, and regulations applicable in the effort of furthering fair housing, and names Anna Reynolds, Director of Community Resources Department, Fair Housing Officer to be the primary point of contact for all fair housing related issues.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board of Moriah has adopted the following: Citizen Participation Plan, Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation

Assistance Plan, Excessive Force Policy, Lead Based Paint Plan, Drug-Free Workplace Program, and the Housing Rehabilitation Program Policy and Procedures, and that they are on file at the Town Hall.

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

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

RESOLVED A RESOLUTION NAMING THE CERTIFYING OFFICER AND DETERMINATION OF A TYPE II ACTION FOR 2023 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAMS

The Town of Moriah, Town Board name Thomas R. Scozzafava, Supervisor of the Town Board, the Certifying Officer for the purpose of conducting the Environmental Review for the Town’s 2023 CDBG funded Housing Programs, and;
The determination has been made that the Environmental Review Record for the Town of Moriah 2023 CDBG Housing Program be classified as a Type II Action (6NYCRR Section 617.4 and 617.5) for the Standalone Residential Water and Wastewater Activities/Laterals Program to be funded by the New York State Office of Community Renewal, Community Development Block Grant. Classification of Type II Action was determined based on review of <https://www.dec.ny.gov/permits/32521.html>.

Supervisor’s Report:

The Supervisor reported on the brush being cut on the south side of Port Henry; he stated this property is owned by CP Rail; private property; if the Town cuts it we would be using public money to do it; he needs to look further in to it.

The Chamber has requested \$3,000 support for the Farmer’s Market. Councilman Anderson asked what they were going to use the money for and Councilman Brassard said for music, advertising, etc. The Supervisor stated this is occupancy tax money.

The Supervisor stated he emailed the fence quote to all the Board members.

Bill Cook, Bulwagga Bay Campsite Manager has resigned effective August 1, 2023; current Assistant Managers have expressed interest in the job.

Mower needs to be repaired.

The Supervisor stated he will call a special meeting in the next few days to take care of these items; can’t do it at this meeting; this meeting is for CDBG grant only.

The meeting adjourned at 6:04pm.

Town Clerk