

**TOWN OF MOREAU**  
**Regular Town Board Meeting**  
**September 12, 2023**

**AGENDA**

**7:00 p.m. - Regular Town Board Meeting**

1. Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Minutes
  - August 8, 2023 - Regular Town Board Meeting
  - August 29, 2023 - Audit Meeting
3. Highway Department
4. Assessor
5. Water & Sewer Department
6. Employee Handbook
7. Supervisor Items
8. Executive Session
9. Other Business
10. Privilege of the Floor
11. Motion to Adjourn

A Regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Moreau was held on August 8, 2023, in the Town of Moreau Municipal Building, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, New York.

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Town Clerk called the roll.

**Town Board Members Present**

Mark Stewart	Councilmember
Alan VanTassel	Councilmember
Theodore T. Kusnierz, Jr.	Supervisor

**Town Board Members Absent**

Kyle Noonan	Councilmember
John Donohue, Jr.	Councilmember

**Also present:** Brenda Hutter, Town Clerk; Ellen Buttles, Deputy Town Clerk; Lisa Sperry, Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor; Michael A. Panich, RLA, The LA Group; Alex Porter, Reporter for the Post Star; Karla Buettner, Attorney for the Town; Brigid Martin, Town Historian; Town Residents: Steven Hutter, Frank & Patti Girard, Judy Rosebrook, Ken Fuller, Elizabeth, Patrick, & Zayn Kaetzel, Kriss & Ray Ruby, Pong & Myong Kim, Ki & George Whaley, Pete & Chris Carlisi, Ray & Helen Morris, Bruce Lant, Sandy & Tom Mahoney, Dominic Tom, Connie Walsh-Toler, James Toler, Scott Weir, Dianne Fairchild, Emily Swanson, Keira Bardin, and Larry LaRose.

The Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The following minutes were prepared and presented to the Town Board members in advance of the meeting for their review, comment, correction, and approval:

- July 11, 2023 - Regular Town Board Meeting

**Resolution #2023-234**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember VanTassel, and carried, to approve the minutes as prepared for the July 11, 2023 - Regular Town Board Meeting.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Absent
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

**OLD BEND CEMETERY**

Supervisor Kusnierz stated that this evening’s meeting was a special one due to the Town Board honoring Kenneth Thomas “Kenny T” Fuller. The Supervisor added that Fuller has been voluntarily maintaining the Big Bend Cemetery on Old Bend Road. Supervisor Kusnierz stated that after visiting the cemetery and seeing what an exceptional job he was doing, the Town Board unanimously decided to recognize August 8, 2023, as Kenneth Thomas “Kenny T” Fuller Day.

The Supervisor read the following proclamation aloud:

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**PROCLAMATION  
Declaring August 8, 2023  
Kenneth Thomas “Kenny T” Fuller Day  
In the Town of Moreau**

**WHEREAS**, Kenneth Thomas “Kenny T” Fuller was born on December 19, 1966, and attended South Glens Falls Central Schools in the Town of Moreau; and

**WHEREAS**, as an adolescent, Kenny T spent his formative years in the Town of Moreau with his parents Rev. Patricia and Frank Girard and his younger siblings, Collin, Julianne and Gabriel; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenny T is known for and has a love of reading and music, playing his guitar with friends and performing with various bands at parties and weddings throughout the area; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenny T gives generously of his time and is known to selflessly offer his assistance and guidance to anyone in need; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenny T, alongside his family and friends, regularly gives back to our community in many ways, including participating in the annual clean-up day in the Town of Moreau and the Village of South Glens Falls with a keen interest in the aesthetics of Big Bend Cemetery on Old Bend Road along the banks of the Hudson River; and

**WHEREAS**, Kenny T continues to show his love for his community by single handedly continuing to take on the arduous task of clearing undergrowth and brush from around the gravestones contained in Big Bend Cemetery while ensuring adequate pathways lead into and out the Cemetery so the public may have safe access; and

**WHEREAS**, it is only fitting to recognize the volunteer efforts of Kenny T that make our Town a great place to live, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Moreau Town Board does hereby unanimously proclaim August 8, 2023, as “Kenny T” Fuller Day in the Town of Moreau.

The Town Board presented the framed proclamation to the family of Kenneth Thomas “Kenny T” Fuller.

**BIG BEND TRAIL**

Supervisor Kusnierz gave a brief update on the Moreau Big Bend Trail Project. He stated that due to the constraints that were contained in the first proposed timeline no bids were received, however after giving flexibility for the completion date allowing contractors to work into the next year to complete the project, the Town received 10 viable bids. The bids ranged from \$464,595.00 to \$1,179,600.00. Supervisor Kusnierz invited Michael Panich, Representative from the LA Group, to go over the next steps moving forward. Panich began by stating that after the Town received bids from Carver Construction, Cutting Edge Group, DelSignore, Galusha Construction, HMA Paving, Luizzi Bros, James Maloy, Perry Construction, Upstate Companies, and Wolfe Excavation. Panich stated that the lowest qualified bidder was Wolfe Excavation, whose bid came in at a Full Build-Out grand total of \$464,595.00. After discussing these bids with Supervisor Kusnierz and Councilmember VanTassel, they all agreed to proceed with Wolfe Excavation. Panich added that he had reached out to various other project owners across the region that had worked with Wolfe Excavation and the sole proprietor, Tom Wolfe, and all of them had nothing but positive things to say. The Supervisor of the Town of Greenfield told Panich that this contractor recently did a large septic installation for the Town owned golf course, and that he was extremely impressed with his work and would highly recommend Wolfe Excavation to do any large project. Panich informed the Board that Wolfe Excavation expects to break ground in September, which is great news for the Town.

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The Town Clerk read the following Resolution aloud:

WHEREAS, the Town advertised and received sealed bids for the Moreau Big Bend Trail Project; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that the bid from Wolfe Excavation LLC meets the bid specifications and represents the lowest responsible bidder at a bid price of \$464,595.00 for Full Build-Out;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Town Board hereby awards the bid for Moreau Big Bend Trail Project to Wolfe Excavation LLC with a bid price of \$464,595.00,

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Supervisor and the Town's engineering consultant, The LA Group, are hereby authorized to execute any and all necessary documents related to Moreau Big Bend Trail Project to effectuate the purposes of this resolution.

**Resolution #2023-235**

A motion was made by Councilmember VanTassel, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, and carried, to adopt the foregoing resolution as read into the record by the Town Clerk.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Absent
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

**ZONING ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACT**

Supervisor Kusnierz stated that this agenda item will be tabled until the next Town Board meeting.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

**Resolution #2023-236**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember VanTassel, and carried, to open a purchase order with Global Montello Group for purchase of gasoline, in the amount of \$25,000.00, for the 2023 budget year under Saratoga County Contract # PC-69516.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Absent
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Supervisor Kusnierz stated that this purchase will be paid from line item DB5142.460, which as of July 31, 2023, had a balance of \$68,398.81. The amount budgeted for the current year was \$120,000.00.

Supervisor Kusnierz stated that there have been changes in regulations at fuel pumps that will require the Town to make necessary upgrades that could potentially cost the taxpayers around \$27,000.00 in order to comply. The Supervisor continued by stating that Highway Superintendent Chris Abrams has recommended that the Town sign up with Wex Pay Fuel Credit Card Services. The Highway Superintendent

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stated that this card service company is being used by several other Towns, as well as Saratoga County. Abrams added that the fees are minimal, and the cards can be used in 48 States at any service station that sells regular gasoline and diesel fuel. Supervisor Kusnierz stated that there are a few organizations that currently use our pumps and asked Karla Buettner, Attorney for the Town, for advice on how to proceed if the Town decides to sign up with this card service company. Counsel recommended that the Town not rescind any clauses yet with the organizations that use the Town's pumps , as the Town would only be in the preliminary stage of setting up the Wex Pay Fuel Credit Card Service account. The Highway Superintendent agreed, stating that it would not be up and running for at least 60 days, adding that the Wex Fuel Card Company had stated that they would be willing to work with each of these organizations when the time comes, to make the transition as easy as possible.

### **Resolution #2023-237**

A motion was made by Councilmember VanTassel, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, and carried, to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign all required documentation to enter into an agreement with Wex Pay Fuel Credit Card Services.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Absent
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Supervisor Kusnierz stated that there was a request made by residents for the Town to put up a three-way stop sign at the corners of Feeder Dam Road, Tanglewood, and Hilton Drive. He continued by stating that the Highway Superintendent, in his capacity, has reached out to the school district to get their input as well before any action is taken.

Supervisor Kusnierz briefly discussed ongoing road issues that the Town has been having with Speakman Street over the last 15 years. He stated that back in 2008 the Town Board had looked into repairing the road, and that the cost came in at approximately \$1,000,000.00. The Town had not budgeted for the cost at that time, and hearing that even after spending that much money, there would be no guarantee that the issues would not come up again in the future, the Town decided not to proceed. The Supervisor added that fast forward, the Road has now become unsafe , therefore having the Highway Superintendent in his capacity, closing it off for the safety of the public. Supervisor Kusnierz stated that after speaking with Chris Abrams, Highway Superintendent, about the possibility of reopening the road , he (Abrams), felt that one feasible option would be to open up one lane thereby having a one way out option. The Supervisor added that this may be the best option at this time until the Town can have an engineer come in and evaluate long-term repair options. Larry LaRose, a resident in that neighborhood stood up and stated that the road closure has not stopped any traffic from coming in and out, and that he has not seen any signage regarding the closure. Supervisor Kusnierz stated that he would give all members of the public a chance to speak regarding this matter during privilege of the floor.

### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Supervisor Kusnierz stated that the Board has received clarity from the Recreation Director, Jeremy Brogan regarding the placement of security cameras by the South Glens Falls Girls Softball League. Brogan stated that they would be adding 5-7 cameras for security purposes only, and they would not be using them to broadcast any games. The cameras would potentially be placed inside the concession stand, on the new batting cages, and on the four corners of the building. The Recreation Director and Recreation Staff would have full access to these cameras, and the League would be responsible for the purchasing and set-up of these cameras. Councilmember Stewart stated that he has spoken with Counsel regarding this and would like to move forward with an approval from the Town Board.

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**Resolution #2023-237**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember VanTassel, and carried, to approve South Glens Falls Youth Softball League to install 7 security cameras, on concession stand, batting cages, and on the four corners of the building to be at no cost to the Town, and will be maintained by the organization.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Absent
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

**WATER DEPARTMENT**

Supervisor Kusnierz stated that he received a request from the Water Superintendent to purchase 48 water meters @ \$232.55 each, from Ferguson Waterworks, as the Water Department is in the process of repairing water meters.

**Resolution #2023-238**

A motion was made by Councilmember VanTassel, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, and carried, to purchase 48 5/8 x 3/4 MTR PLAS BOT 3G REG USG Water Meters @ \$232.55 ea. for a total expense of \$11,162.40 to be paid from CW8310.4, which as of August 1, 2023, had a balance of \$700,485.20.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Absent
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

**COURT OFFICE**

Supervisor Kusnierz stated that the Town Board received a memo from the Town Justices requesting approval for Court Clerks Kara Gutowski, Ella McFadden, Kristine Brown, Danielle Relyea, and Ronald Belisle to attend the NYS Magistrates Court Clerks Association Conference on September 17, 2023, through September 20, 2023, at the Turning Stone Resort in Verona, NY. The total cost for all to attend will not exceed \$3,964.42. Supervisor Kusnierz added that Town Justice John Hogan and Town Justice Jeffrey McCabe requested approval to attend the Annual NYS Magistrates Association Conference from October 1, 2023, through October 4, 2023, at the Marriott Syracuse in Syracuse, NY. The total cost for both Judges to attend will not exceed \$1,942.42.

**Resolution #2023-239**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember VanTassel, and carried, the approval of Kara Gutowski, Ella McFadden, Kristine Brown, Danielle Relyea, and Ronald Belisle to attend the NYS Magistrates Court Clerks Association Conference on September 17, 2023, through September 20, 2023, at the Turning Stone Resort in Verona, NY, and Town Justice John Hogan and Town Justice Jeffrey McCabe to attend the Annual NYS Magistrates Association Conference from October 1, 2023, through October 4, 2023, at the Marriott Syracuse in Syracuse, NY, with a total cost not to exceed \$5,906.84.

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Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Absent
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

**PLANNING BOARD**

Supervisor Kusnierz read aloud a letter that the Town Board received from Eric Bergman, with intent to resign from his position as a Town of Moreau Planning Board Member effective September 30, 2023.

**Resolution #2023-240**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember VanTassel, and carried, to accept the letter of resignation from Eric Bergman, Town of Moreau Planning Board Member, effective September 30, 2023.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Absent
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Councilmember VanTassel thanked Bergman for his service as a Planning Board Member, adding that he has done a fantastic job and will be missed. Supervisor Kusnierz agreed, stating that through his extensive years of serving on the Planning Board, he has undoubtedly made the Town a better place to live and raise a family.

Supervisor Kusnierz stated that Bradley Nelson has expressed interest in serving on the Town of Moreau Planning Board, and that after meeting with Board Members it is his recommendation to appoint Bradley Nelson to fill the unexpired term of the former Chairperson. Kusnierz stated that after he and the Board met with Nelson his recommendation was to appoint Nelson to fill said term.

**Resolution #2023-241**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember VanTassel, and carried, to appoint Bradley Nelson to fill the unexpired term of the former Chairperson of the Town of Moreau Planning Board for the period of October 1, 2023, through December 31, 2025.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Absent
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

**SUPERVISOR ITEMS**

Supervisor Kusnierz reported on the July 2023 Sales Tax Distribution. The Town of Moreau received \$406,402.00 which is a 14.48% increase from what was received in July 2022. Supervisor Kusnierz added that this increase is great news because sales tax revenue funds all of the Highway Department, thereby not having a Highway Tax on Property Tax Bills.

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Supervisor Kusnierz stated that the Town Attorney has received correspondence from Scott T. Earl's Attorney withdrawing the offer of \$725,000 for purchase of the three lots at the Moreau Industrial Park. Supervisor Kusnierz stated that this is unfortunate for our community, as this offer was approximately 30 % over the appraised value of these properties. The Supervisor added that the money from the sale could have been utilized for a number of different projects, such as expanding the Recreation Park and aiding the Fire Department with the potential purchase of a new ladder truck.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Supervisor stated that he does not need an executive session. Counsel agreed.

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

No Councilmembers had other business that needed to be addressed.

### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

Town resident Elizabeth Kaetzel was the first to speak about the Speakman Street Road closure. Kaetzel began by first distributing pictures to the Town Board of the road damage and a map of her neighborhood. She stated that on April 18<sup>th</sup> it was posted in the newspaper that Speakman Street was going to be closed for an undetermined amount of time due to road failure. Since that date there has been two to three times more traffic than before. Kaetzel continued by stating that her home is located at the intersection of Birch and Robert Rogers Road and that traffic is entering the neighborhood at high rates of speed. She stated that she is in fear of someone getting hit by one of these vehicles, as the neighborhood has children playing, people riding bikes, and going for walks. Kaetzel added that it is an extremely dangerous blind turn as traffic comes into the neighborhood due to the closure of Speakman Street, stating that the turn is 180 degrees to get into the neighborhood adding that this angle would make it impossible for an emergency vehicle such as a fire truck to enter. She continued by stating that three years ago, they had trees that fell across the bridge and that if it were not for all of her neighbors using their own chainsaws, that tree would not have been moved, adding that no one from the Town showed up. Kaetzel stated that with this indefinite road closure property values in the neighborhood would be affected, adding that in the past year the Town had significantly raised the neighborhood's property assessments. Kaetzel stated that she left a message for the Town's Highway Superintendent last week asking if there was an estimated date for Speakman Street to be repaired. Abrams returned her call and, in the message, stated that the one lane is indefinitely closed due to the damage and that at this time the Town is in no position to repair it and he apologized for the inconvenience. Kaetzel stated that inconvenience is an understatement and that at this point, it is a safety hazard. She stated that she spoke with Christopher Abrams again on Monday, and that he told her that 10 years ago the Town got an estimate for the repair that was a half a million dollars with no guarantee. She stated that she understands that was a lot of money to spend with no guarantee being, but questioned why the Town Board has not saved any money in the past 10 years to permanently repair this damaged road. She stated that as the Supervisor reported earlier in the meeting that Sales Tax Revenue for the Town is up 14 % from last year and that it is this money that funds the Highway budget and infrastructure law that can take and help fund to fix the road. Kaetzel stated that she does not think that a permanent fix to the road is a lost cause as the State has a Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and a Safe Street for All program that will provide funding for entities in need of repair to infrastructures. Supervisor Kusnierz thanked Kaetzel for her comments.

Next to speak was four-year-old resident Zayn Kaetzel, who addressed the Board by stating "FIX THE ROAD!"

Raymond Ruby, from 1 Robert Rogers Ave. was next to speak. Ruby agreed with Elizabeth Kaetzel's comments, adding that one of the many reasons that his family chose to live in the neighborhood 20 years ago was due to how quiet and peaceful it was. Ruby stated that since the road closure, the difference in dangerous road activity is very noticeable. He stated that it's not just traffic from regular vehicles, but also



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service vehicles such as dump trucks, cooling and heating trucks, adding that none of these are slowing down when entering the neighborhood. He stated that these vehicles are going so fast that they are barely making the turn in front of Elizabeth's home, some have even driven up on part of his lawn in order to do so. He stated that over the years Birch Drive has been blocked by fallen trees, and that there is a ravine that you have to drive over in order to get to the neighborhood. He added that by having Speakman Street closed, all traffic is forced to use the other entrance. Ruby stated that he hopes the Board can produce a better solution, even if it does cost extra money, in order to keep everyone safe.

Supervisor Kusnierz stated that the Town Board and Highway Superintendent's number one concern is public safety, and that is why the decision to close the road was made. Kusnierz stated that he and the Town Board will work with the Highway Superintendent and have an engineer come in and start the initial feasibility process. Kusnierz addressed the public by asking if they would prefer to have only one way lane opened or keep the road completely closed in the interim. The audience stated that they would prefer a one-way closure over complete closure.

Larry LaRose, from 1 Hobbs Lane was next to speak. He stated that he recently had a contractor come in to put a new heating system in his house and the first thing that the contractor said to him was how difficult it was to drive up from Fort Edward Rd and turn onto Birch. LaRose stated that when vehicles make that sharp right-hand turn without falling down the embankment. He stated that the whole section needs to be redone, repaved, and have signage to warn travelers about the upcoming sharp turn.

Supervisor Kusnierz asked what the speed limit was in that area. The Highway Superintendent said it is posted at 30 mph. Supervisor Kusnierz stated that he would contact the County Sheriff's Department and ask to have the Department patrol the area more frequently. The Supervisor asked the Highway Superintendent, Christopher Abrams how quickly opening the one lane could happen. Abrams responded saying that he could do it as soon as Monday. Councilmember Stewart asked Abrams how he intended to restrict traffic from using both lanes once the Town opens one lane. Stewart questioned how the Town could stop an 18-wheeler turning onto the road from crossing over into the other lane. Abrams stated that he could set up mafia blocks to try and prevent that from happening. Councilmember Stewart asked Abrams if he had enough of these concrete blocks to do this, to which Abrams answered that he does.

Chris Carlisi, from 6 Hobbs Lane was the next to address the Board. She asked that the Town Board contact the school bus garage, as she has witnessed how difficult it has been for them when heading North to pull around that dangerous corner. Supervisor Kusnierz stated that he would do so. Peter Carlisi stated that there are forty-one homes that have been affected by the closure of Speakman Street. Seven are on Speakman, eight are on Robert Rogers, twelve on the right of the lower loop, eleven on Hobbs, and three on Birch. He stated that it is good to know that an ambulance will now be able to get into the neighborhood once the Town opens one lane.

Jim Toler, from 7 Robert Rogers Avenue was next to speak. He echoed the dangerous speeds that people are traveling at in that neighborhood and stated that traffic patrol needs to happen more often so that no one gets injured.

Town Resident Peter Kitchner, asked that Elizabeth Kaetzel read the following letter aloud, as he was unable to attend the Board Meeting:

"Moreau Town Board,

I am writing to you regarding road closure of Speakman Street. I live on Hobbs Lane and the closure has directly affected the residents in the neighborhood.

The closure has impacted all of us in the area. Some residents have seen an influx of traffic past their homes with increased traffic comes increased risk. Residents with small children have increased worries with traffic doubling past their homes. It could be said that kids shouldn't be in the road, that I get but the reality is that we all considered the amount of traffic and quiet of the area when purchasing our homes. The road closure has dynamically changed this.

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What if there is an emergency response for the area happens. Emergency vehicles could impact being able to leave for durations of the emergency. In case of a fire there are no hydrants in the area, how does a water shuttle happen and again the impact to the residents but just as important if ambulance is on the wrong side of the fire trucks it could be unusable for the duration. Meaning a firefighter or citizen that needs to get to the hospital would suffer a delay. Fire trucks can be rather large and are they able to effectively make the turn from Burch Drive onto Robert Rogers, not just this time of the year but what about the winter months.

Another point is with the storms that now a days happen to come in fast and at times hard. What happens when a tree comes down across Burch Lane and blocks access?

Last point I would like to bring up is the intersection of Burch Drive and Fort Edward Road. For one its on the curve and seems to be a issue. I would say turning in from either direction is at times sketchy at best. Coming from the Reservoir Road side has its challenges of a vehicle coming from 197 come around that corner fast enough for concern to pull in to the area. Coming from 197 side you must make a turn of almost 180 degrees.

The problem with the intersection doesn't even count darkness and if there is a car or cars coming off Burch. At night making a right turn of Fort Edward Road, you can't see anything as the area is unlit end headlights are of no use on the turn. The Burch Drive and Fort Edward Road intersection is not set up for the increased traffic.

Can the Board or anyone definitively tell us how this impacts the value of our homes and our safety. If it was good enough to be there in the first place, shouldn't it be fixed?

I get that "it's not that big of deal" or "we still can get around" but we had a road that previously was open had things were different. This change of the road being closed is a negative change that I believe if was corrected would increase the safety and quality of life for the residents.

Respectfully,  
Peter Kitchner”

### **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Supervisor Kusnierz thanked everyone for their time and comments. He proceeded to invite four-year-old Zayn Kaetzel up to the bench.

A motion was made by Councilmember VanTassel, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, and carried, to close the meeting for the evening at 8:05 p.m.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Absent
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

The audience cheered as young Zayn Kaetzel tapped Supervisor Kusnierz's gavel to the desk indicating official closure of the regular Town Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned,

Respectively submitted,

Brenda Hutter  
Town Clerk

A month-end meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Moreau was held on August 29, 2023, in the Town of Moreau Municipal building, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, New York.

The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

**Town Board Members Present**

Kyle Noonan	Councilmember
Alan VanTassel	Councilmember
John Donohue, Jr.	Councilmember
Theodore T. Kusnierz, Jr.	Supervisor

**Town Board Members Absent**

Mark Stewart	Councilmember
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**Also present:** Dianne Lewis, Deputy Town Clerk; Ellen Buttles, Deputy Town Clerk; Anna Labiak, Billing Coordinator; Lisa Sperry, Confidential Secretary to the Supervisor; Tim Dawkins & Kristine Orr, Representatives from the South Glens Falls Central School District; Alex Portal, Reporter from the Post Star Newspaper; Town Resident, Amy Noonan.

Supervisor Kusnierz briefly discussed an invoice that the Town received from David E. Locke in the amount of \$4,160.00. The invoice was for the clean-up of a property on Redmond Road. Due to the unexpected disposal of tires, the charge exceeded the amount that the Town Board had previously approved at the June 27, 2023, Regular Town Board meeting by \$160.00.

**Resolution #2023-242**

A motion was made by Councilmember Noonan, seconded by Councilmember VanTassel, and carried to pay an additional \$160.00, for a total amount of \$ 4,160.00, to be paid to David E. Locke for the clean-up of a property on Redmond Road.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Absent
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Supervisor Kusnierz briefly discussed a voucher that the Town had received from Orbitalfire, LLC, a vendor that the Town uses for cyber security services. Kusnierz stated that the Town Board had passed Resolution #2023-190, at the May 23, 2023, Regular Board Meeting authorizing him to execute a contract for 26 users at \$244.40 per month. Supervisor Kusnierz added that the cost did not include any additional users, which will end up costing the Town more than the original contract stated, adding that the Town currently has 35 users. Kusnierz recommended that the Board rescind Resolution #2023-190, and authorize any additional expenditures of \$4.70 per user, per month, for awareness training and \$4.70 per user, per month, for phishing testing.

**Resolution #2023-243**

A motion was made by Councilmember VanTassel, seconded by Councilmember Noonan, and carried, to rescind Resolution #2023-190, which had authorized Supervisor Kusnierz to execute an agreement with Orbitalfire, LLC, at \$244.40 per month, and furthermore, authorize the execution of the agreement with Orbitalfire, LLC, for cyber security purposes, at a rate of \$4.70 per user, per month, for awareness training and \$4.70 per user, per month for phishing testing.

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Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Absent
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

**Resolution #2023-244**

A motion was made by Councilmember VanTassel, seconded by Councilmember Noonan, and carried, that, \$ 7,000.00 be transferred from A1990.4 General - Contingent Account and \$ 7,000.00 be transferred to A1620.4 General - Buildings - Contractual to transfer funds for the payment of General Town Hall expenses.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Absent
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

**Resolution #2023-245**

A motion was made by Councilmember VanTassel, seconded by Councilmember Noonan, and carried, that, \$ 399.31 be transferred from A1330.4 General - Receiver of Taxes - Contractual and \$ 399.31 be transferred to A1410.4 General - Town Clerk - - Contractual to transfer funds for the payment of Town Clerk expenses.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Absent
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

**Resolution #2023-246**

A motion was made by Councilmember VanTassel, seconded by Councilmember Noonan, and carried, that, \$ 800.00 be transferred from A1010.2 General - Town Board - Equipment and \$ 800.00 be transferred to A1010.4 General - Town Board - Contractual to transfer funds for the payment of e-mail accounts for the Town Board.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Absent
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

A month-end meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Moreau was held on August 29, 2023, in the Town of Moreau Municipal building, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, New York.

**Resolution #2023-247**

A motion was made by Councilmember VanTassel, seconded by Councilmember Noonan, and carried, that,  
 \$ 2,500.00 be transferred from GI8110.2 Sewer - Administration- Equipment and  
 \$ 2,500.00 be transferred to GI8110.4 Sewer - Administration - Contractual to transfer funds for the payment of sewer-related expenses.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart            Absent  
 Councilmember Noonan            Aye  
 Councilmember VanTassel        Aye  
 Councilmember Donohue         Aye  
 Supervisor Kusnierz             Aye

**Resolution #2023-248**

A motion was made by Councilmember Noonan, seconded by Councilmember VanTassel, and carried, to approve the payment of bills as audited.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart            Absent  
 Councilmember Noonan            Aye  
 Councilmember VanTassel        Aye  
 Councilmember Donohue         Aye  
 Supervisor Kusnierz             Aye

**AUDITED CLAIMS**

General Fund – A Account Claim Nos. 657 - 666, 669 - 675, 677, 679 - 682, 686, 688 - 689, 692, 697, 704 - 705, 708 - 709, 713 - 717, 719 - 724, 730, 732, 735 - 736, 742	\$202,478.62
Town Outside Fund – B Account Claim Nos. 664, 673, 675, 681, 688, 690, 712, 715 - 716, 724, 736 - 739, 741, 750	\$14,810.05
Consolidated Water District Fund – CW Account Claim Nos. 661, 663 - 665, 668, 683, 688, 704, 715 - 716, 718, 724 - 725, 727 - 728, 731, 749	\$122,850.58
Highway Fund – DB Account Claim Nos. 667, 676, 684 - 685, 687, 691, 693 - 694, 702, 704, 706 - 708, 726, 729, 734	\$64,058.19
Sewer I Fund – GI Account Claim Nos. 661, 663 - 665, 673, 715, 727	\$2,417.34
EFC – Sewer 1 Ext. 5 Fund – HG Account Claim Nos. 744 - 748	\$151,445.78
Landfill Reserve – LF Account Claim No. 678, 743	\$3,288.95
Meadow Ridge Lighting – MR Account Claim No. 658	\$91.37
Pallette Lighting – PA Account Claim No. 658	\$188.07

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Palmerton Heights – PH Account Claim No. 658	\$476.01
Pinewood Lighting – PW Account Claim No. 658	\$269.50
Riverview Lighting – RV Account Claim No. 658	\$302.88
Sherwood Forest Lighting – SH Account Claim No. 658	\$290.60
Trust & Agency – TA Account Claim No.	\$0.00
Transfer Station Fund – TS Account Claim Nos. 661, 663 - 665, 688, 695, 704, 714 - 716, 733, 736	\$9,956.25
Tanglewood Lighting – TW Account Claim No. 658	\$138.21
Woodscape II – WP Account Claim No. 658	\$348.66
Woodscape – WS Account Claim No. 658	\$449.07

Skipped Vouchers: 695, 698 - 701, 703  
 Voided Vouchers: 681, 740

A motion was made by Councilmember Noonan, seconded by Councilmember VanTassel, and carried, to close the month-end meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Asked if all in favor, the following responses were given:

Councilmember Stewart	Absent
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

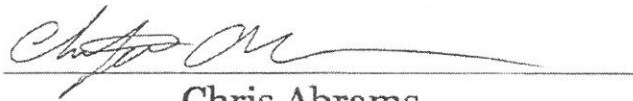
Brenda Hutter  
 Town Clerk

**TOWN OF MOREAU  
Highway Department  
1543 Route 9  
FORT EDWARD, NY 12828  
Chris Abrams: Highway Superintendent**

**TOWN BOARD MEMO**

TO: Board Members  
FROM: Chris Abrams  
SUBJECT: Transfer funds  
DATE: September 7, 2023

I am requesting to transfer \$17,000 from DB5142.490 (road salt) to DB5110.457 (trees). There is an annual budget of \$225,000.00 in DB5142.490 (road salt), and currently \$177,311.39 available. There is an annual budget of \$8,000 in DB5110.457 (trees), and currently \$0 available.



Chris Abrams  
Highway Superintendent

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**TOWN OF MOREAU**  
**PURCHASE REQUEST & QUOTE SUMMARY**

**Department:** HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

**Date:** 9/7/2023

**Description of Purchase Request:** Tree work

**Vendor's Name and Address:**

Richard Sears Tree Experts  
16 Harold Harris Road  
Queensbury, NY 12804

**Price:** \$ 17,000

**Vendor's Name and Address:**

**Price:** \$

**Vendor's Name and Address:**

**Price:** \$

**[Please list all vendors contacted for a quote, even if they didn't submit a quote.]**

**Account number purchase will be paid from:** DB5110.457

**Balance in account and date:** \$0 as of 9/1/23

**Amount Budgeted for the current year:** \$8,000

**Department Head's Recommendation:** On 10/25/2022, the Town Board signed a tree contract with Richard Sears Tree Experts for a period of one year.

**Board Approval Received:** \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

**Date Approval Received:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Vendor Authorized:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_



**TOWN OF MOREAU  
Highway Department  
1543 Route 9  
FORT EDWARD, NY 12828  
Chris Abrams: Highway Superintendent**

**TOWN BOARD MEMO**


TO: Board Members  
FROM: Chris Abrams  
SUBJECT: Transfer funds  
DATE: September 7, 2023

I am requesting to transfer \$9,000 from DB5142.491 (road sand) to DB5110.493 (road materials). There is an annual budget of \$9,000 in DB5142.491 (road sand), and currently \$9,000 available. There is an annual budget of \$14,000 in DB5110.493 (road materials), and currently \$72.88 available.



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Highway Superintendent

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**TOWN OF MOREAU**  
**PURCHASE REQUEST & QUOTE SUMMARY**

**Department:** HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

**Date:** 9/7/2023

**Description of Purchase Request:** Stone product

**Vendor's Name and Address:**

Peckham Road Corp  
438 Vaughn Rd.  
Hudson Falls, NY 12839

**Price:** \$ 9,000

**Vendor's Name and Address:**

**Price:** \$

**Vendor's Name and Address:**

**Price:** \$

**[Please list all vendors contacted for a quote, even if they didn't submit a quote.]**

**Account number purchase will be paid from:** DB5110.493

**Balance in account and date:** \$72.88 as of 9/1/23

**Amount Budgeted for the current year:** \$14,000

**Department Head's Recommendation:** Peckham Road Corp. Saratoga County Contract 22-PWCSGS-50R

**Board Approval Received:** \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

**Date Approval Received:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Vendor Authorized:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Amount Approved:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Total:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_