

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Moreau was held on January 14, 2020 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

John Hogan	Councilman
Kyle Noonan	Councilman
Gina LeClair	Councilwoman
John Donohue, Jr.	Councilman
Theodore T. Kusnierz, Jr.	Supervisor

Town Board Members Absent

None

Also present: Leeann McCabe, Town Clerk; Karla Buettner, Attorney for the Town; Paul Joseph, Highway Superintendent; Jesse Fish, Water Superintendent; Peter Olesheski, Recreation Leader; Kathleen Moore, Post Star Reporter; Town Residents: Dominic Tom, Virginia Livsey, Bruce Flayer and Terry Donohue; Village Resident: Thomas Wade

The Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from December 19, 2019 (4 sets), December 30, 2019 and January 2, 2020 were prepared and presented to the Town Board prior to the meeting for their review, comment, correction and approval.

Resolution #2020-57

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, approving the minutes from December 19, 2019 (4 sets) as prepared.

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

Councilman Hogan	Abstain
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Abstain
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Resolution #2020-58

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Hogan and carried, approving the minutes from December 30, 2019 as prepared.

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Abstain
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Resolution #2020-59

A motion was made by Councilman Noonan, seconded by Councilman Hogan and carried, approving the minutes from January 2, 2020 as prepared.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

SET FUTURE MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS

None scheduled

MOUNTAIN MEDICAL CONTRACT

The Supervisor stated that he had received a new contract agreement from Mountain Medical, which is the firm that the Town uses for pre-employment physicals. Their rate has increased \$10.00, to \$120.00 per Pre-employment Physical/JCA Exam. The Supervisor read through some of the additional fees listed in the agreement. He recommended that the Town stay with this firm.

Resolution #2020-60

A motion was made by Councilman Noonan, seconded by Councilman Hogan and carried, authorizing the Supervisor to sign a contract agreement with Mountain Medical for the period from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

A request had been received from the Recreation Leader for the rental of portable toilets for use in the Park, from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

The following quotes were received for the rental of (1) Basic Portable Toilet and (1) Handicap Accessible Toilet:

Party Pooperz 380 N. State Rd. Argyle, NY 12809	\$175/mo + \$50.00/mo for freezing temps (Nov-Apr) \$2,400/year
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Stone Industries 4305 Route 50 Saratoga Springs, NY 12866	\$240/mo = \$2,880.00/year
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IBS Septic & Drain Service 2 Lower Warren St. Queensbury, NY 12804	No Quote
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Mountain Top Portable Toilets PO Box 405 West Sand Lake, NY 12196	No Quote
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It was the recommendation of the Recreation Leader as well as the Recreation Committee to stay with Stone Industries, as the Town has used them for the past several years with no issues. They are a Saratoga County company who will come weekly to do maintenance.

Resolution #2020-61

A motion was made by Councilman Hogan, seconded by Councilwoman LeClair and carried, authorizing the rental of portable toilets from Stone Industries for the period from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. The expense will be paid from account A7410.4.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

The Recreation Leader submitted a request for (2) 10-yard dumpsters for the Recreation Park, with weekly pick-up from April 13, 2020 through November 14, 2020 and for (1) 2-yard dumpster for the Beach, with weekly pick-up from May 4, 2020 through September 12, 2020.

The following quotes were received:

Ace Carting	\$350/mo for 10-yard dumpsters
PO Box 468	\$55/mo for 2-yard dumpster
Fort Edward, NY 12828	

Waste Management of NY Inc.	\$480/mo for 10-yard dumpsters
100 Ransier Drive	\$140/mo for 2-yard dumpster
West Seneca, NY 14224	

CV Waste Removal Container Srv., Inc.	No 10-yard dumpsters available
70 Ann St.	\$125/mo for 2-yard dumpster
Fort Ann, NY 12827	

The Recreation Leader's recommendation was to use Ace Carting, which is the current vendor.

Resolution #2020-62

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, authorizing the rental of (2) 10 Yard Dumpsters for the Recreation Park, for the period from April 13, 2020 through November 14, 2020 and (1) 2 Yard Dumpster for the Beach, for the period from May 4, 2020 through September 12, 2020. The services are to be provided by Ace Carting and will be paid from accounts A7140.4 and A7310.4.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

A request was received from the Recreation Leader to adjust the fees for the use of Town pavilions at the Recreation Park. Presently, there is no rental fee for Town residents and the fee for non-resident users is \$35.00 for under (6) hours and \$60.00 for (6) hours or more. The suggestion was to charge resident users

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a fee of \$10.00 per day and non-residents \$60.00 per day. The Supervisor stated that anyone can use a pavilion if it's available and hasn't been reserved, however, charging a fee would guarantee access.

Councilwoman LeClair stated that Mr. Olesheski did a good job comparing the fees charged in other local municipalities. She agreed with the \$10.00 fee. She stated, that last year, the Town spent over \$2,000.00 on new barbeques. She stated it would be nice to have the little extra money to help pay for things of that nature. She also stated that it was a pretty good bargain compared to what other municipalities are charging.

The Supervisor stated that it wasn't so much about the revenue but rather to guarantee the opportunity for exclusive rights to the pavilion. Councilman Hogan believed the School should be exempt from having to pay for the use of a pavilion. The Supervisor stated, that right now, the School is treated as a resident and doesn't pay. Only schools outside of the Town are charged. Councilman Hogan asked about the new resident fee of \$10.00 and what the intent would be for the schools in the Town of Moreau. The Supervisor stated that they would be exempt from the fee.

Councilman Donohue stated that \$10.00 was cheap for a resident fee and that even \$20.00 would be reasonable. He was also of the opinion that \$60.00 wasn't enough for non-residents and suggested that they be charged \$85.00 per day.

Councilman Noonan asked if the Recreation Committee had looked at the proposed rate schedule. Councilwoman LeClair stated that they looked at the rates from other communities and had no problem with the increase to \$60.00 per day for non-residents. She also didn't have a problem with \$85.00 per day.

Councilman Hogan agreed with her and the cost of \$85.00 per day. He also had a concern that some pavilions have already been rented for the upcoming season.

Mr. Olesheski stated that those people who already reserved a pavilion at no charge would be grandfathered in. He also stated that he intended on coming back to the Board at the end of the year with feedback from the fee changes. He stated that they may have to make adjustments again for 2021.

Councilman Donohue and Councilman Noonan were both okay with \$85.00 per day for non-residents.

A motion was made by Councilman Noonan and seconded by Councilman Donohue to increase the fees for resident use of the Town pavilions to \$10.00 per day and for non-resident use of pavilions to \$85.00 per day.

There was discussion relating to the cost for the SGFCSD.

Councilman Noonan withdrew his motion.

Resolution #2020-63

A motion was made by Councilman Noonan, seconded by Councilman Donohue and carried, to increase the resident rate for pavilion rentals to \$10.00 per day and the non-resident rental fee to \$85.00 per day effective January 1, 2020. The South Glens Falls CSD will be exempt from the resident \$10.00 fee.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
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Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

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The Town Clerk asked about those who had already reserved pavilions prior to January 1, 2020. It was replied that they would be grandfathered in, with the fee that was in place at the time they applied to use a pavilion. The Supervisor stated that going forward, anyone looking for a waiver of the fees would have to have Town Board approval.

Mr. Olesheski stated that he was hoping to officially be the person in charge of pavilion rentals. He commented that he's already the one that handles field usage. The Supervisor stated that it was an administrative issue, which doesn't require Town Board approval.

TRANSFER STATION

The Supervisor stated that the two holding tanks have been pumped out, and that approximately 2,000 gallons was taken. He stated, that it was brought to his attention, that the alarm system indicating when the tanks are full, isn't operating. He also had no idea how long it hasn't been operating. Ted Monsour, who oversees the Transfer Station, was asked to investigate getting it repaired. Mr. Monsour provided the Supervisor with two quotes.

The Supervisor read the hourly rates with terms & definitions provided from Siewert Equipment:

<u>Hourly Rates:</u>	<u>Standard</u>	<u>Overtime</u>	<u>Holidays and Sundays</u>
Service Technician	\$125.00	\$188.00	\$250.00
Public Works Projects*	\$155.00	\$233.00	\$310.00
Reliability Engineer**	\$180.00	\$270.00	\$360.00

Oil/Waste Disposal:	\$30 per pump/machine
Oil Analysis**:	\$75 per pump/machine
Laser Alignment**:	\$205 per pump
Vibration Testing:	\$205 per day
Confined Space Equipment:	\$205 per station
Flatbed Truck & Crane:	\$225 per trip
Portable Gantry Crane:	\$205 per trip
Roto-Jet Service:	\$205 per pump
E/One Loaner Pump:	\$25 per day
Shop Storage:	\$10 per day after 30 days

Emerick Associates needed more information and didn't provide an accurate cost. It was relayed that everything would be predicated on a per hour basis plus mileage.

The Supervisor recommended they reach out to Siewert so they can get the alarm up and running as soon as possible. He suggested a motion be made approving the service rates for 2020 and then once the problem has been diagnosed, they can approve the repair.

Resolution #2020-64

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, authorizing the service rates for Siewert Equipment as listed above, for the year 2020.

Councilman Donohue asked how the problem got to this point and asked if there was a service contract on the unit. The Supervisor believed that they only had a service contract on the compactor itself. Councilman Donohue stated that if there were a service agreement on the alarm system, they wouldn't get into the same predicament that they're in now. The Supervisor stated that he wouldn't dispute the fact that past practices didn't involve a lot of oversight.

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Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

TOWN LEGAL SERVICES

The Supervisor stated that he's been provided with a draft contract for legal services from the current firm of Bartlett, Pontiff, Stewart and Rhodes, P.C. He stated that the terms remained the same from last year. His recommendation was for the Town Board to move forward and authorize him to sign the contract.

Resolution #2020-65

A motion was made by Councilman Noonan, seconded by Councilwoman LeClair and carried, authorizing the Supervisor to sign the contract agreement with Bartlett, Pontiff, Stewart and Rhodes, P.C. for the 2020 year.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

The Supervisor read the hourly rates into the record:

Principal's time	\$170.00 per hour
Associate's time	\$100.00 per hour
Paralegal's time	\$ 80.00 per hour

The firm shall provide representation as needed for any Planning Board or Zoning Board of Appeals meetings, at the request of the respective chairperson.

DOG CONTROL SERVICES

The Supervisor stated, at the Organizational Meeting, Alicia Floud was named as Dog Control Officer. Her contract expired the end of December 2019. He stated that the Town Board has a draft contract before them, which has been reviewed by Counsel. He stated that it was identical to the last contract with the only change being an increase of \$150.00 per month for compensation.

Resolution #2020-66

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, authorizing the Supervisor to sign the contract agreement with Alicia Floud for Dog Control Services, for the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

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HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Resolution #2020-67

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, authorizing an open purchase order for the purchase of Diesel Fuel from Sprague Operating Resources in the amount of \$25,000.00 from the 2020 budget year. The purchases will be made under State Contract #PC68214 and will be paid from account DB5142.460.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Resolution #2020-68

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, authorizing an open purchase order for the purchase of Gasoline from Global Montello Group Corp. in the amount of \$15,000.00 from the 2020 budget year. The purchases will be made under State Contract #PC68456 and will be paid from account DB5142.460.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Resolution #2020-69

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Hogan and carried, authorizing an open purchase order for the purchase of Rock Salt from Morton Salt in the amount of \$80,000.00 from the 2020 budget year. The purchases will be made under County Contract #18-PWS-10R and will be paid from account DB5142.490.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

The Supervisor received notification from the Highway Superintendent, that he will be listing (4) vehicles and a few miscellaneous items on Auctions International. He stated that (3) of the vehicles are from the Highway Department and the fourth vehicle is the old Building Department truck.

The Supervisor stated that the Town will be working to repair the garage roof at the Highway Garage and will need a construction manager for oversight of the project. Laberge Group has submitted a proposal for the work, which was budgeted for in 2020. The Supervisor read through the tasks which would be performed.

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The proposed fee for services is as follows:

Construction Administration	\$18,000 Lump Sum
Construction Observation	\$20,500 Lump Sum
<u>Reimbursable Expenses</u>	<u>\$ 3,500 Estimated</u>
Total Estimated Fee	\$42,000

Resolution #2020-70

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, to engage the services of Laberge Group, for Construction Phase Administration and Construction Observation for the Highway Garage Repairs and authorizing the Supervisor to sign the contract.

Councilman Hogan asked if the services include the HVAC work as well as the Roof Repair. The Supervisor stated that the HVAC is part of the global repair of the Highway Garage. He stated that the service is for all the repairs and listed HVAC as well as the Roof Repairs.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

WATER DISTRICT CONSOLIDATION

The Supervisor stated that the Town was moving forward on water district consolidation and as part of the process Laberge Group was approved by the Town to move forward with a CREG application. The Town was successful in receiving the grant. The Supervisor stated that he now needs authorization for Laberge Group to do the work for the consolidation. He stated that he had received a contract addendum (#2019108-00) from Laberge Group, for professional services related to additional services related to MPR for Water District Consolidation, in the amount of \$24,950.00.

Resolution #2020-71

A motion was made by Councilman Noonan, seconded by Councilwoman LeClair and carried, authorizing the Supervisor to sign the Contract Addendum #2019108-00 with Laberge Group in the amount of \$24,950.00.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

ZONING BOARD

The Supervisor reported that there is an unfilled vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals. He had an individual reach out to him, whom he met with for over an hour. He thought that some of the other Town Board members had spoken with him as well. The Supervisor thought he would be a great addition to the Zoning Board. By filling the vacancy, it will fully constitute the Board. The Supervisor's recommendation is to appoint Justin Farrell as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals.

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Councilman Noonan asked if there were any other applicants for this position and the Supervisor replied that there were none.

Resolution #2020-72

A motion was made by Councilman Noonan, seconded by Councilwoman LeClair and carried, appointing Justin Farrell as a member to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The Supervisor stated that he was a great young man, who is interested in being involved in all the things the Town is moving forward in. He's very interested in seeing the growth along the commercial corridor. The Supervisor commented that he will be a great addition and appreciates his willingness to serve the community.

Councilman Donohue stated that he had spoken with Mr. Farrell as well and asked him why he wanted to be a member of the Zoning Board. He stated that Mr. Farrell's response was that he has time to do it and wants to be involved. He liked his answer.

Councilman Noonan stated that the Zoning Board is a great way to get your foot through the door. He stated that he thought Mr. Farrell would be great.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

SOUTH HIGH MARATHON DANCE

The Supervisor stated that he had received correspondence from Dan Albert, who is on the Board of Directors for the South High Marathon Dance, requesting a temporary waiver of the Town's sign law. The Supervisor stated that the Town Board doesn't have the authority to exempt anyone from a local law. He stated that they were requesting to put up a message board announcing where to park and such. The second request was for a temporary parking restriction on Merritt Road and Elmwood Drive. He believed they had done the same last year. Paul Joseph stated that they've done this for the past four years. The Dance will provide the No-Parking signs. The Supervisor stated that there was no need for a resolution. The Town Board was okay with the request, which will be reported back to Mr. Albert.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Tom Wade addressed the Town Board regarding the \$24,900 being spent on water consolidation. He wondered if it would save the tax payers money in the long run, and asked what the purpose of the consolidation was for. The Supervisor stated that prior to moving forward with the consolidation effort, had applied for a CREG grant. He stated that he believed that 90% to 95% of the cost will be reimbursed. The Supervisor reported that the consolidation will reduce administrative work load. He also stated that the water districts aren't funded by the tax payers but rather the users in the districts.

Councilwoman LeClair stated that she had heard in the past, that those in a district with a lot of money won't want to consolidate with a district that has none. She stated that the districts with the most money wouldn't have nearly enough to repair infrastructure, should their system fail. She stated that if a system were to fail, the cost would be spread out amongst all users and not just to those in the district. Mr. Wade asked if the districts would be changing. The Supervisor stated that it would be a paper change. Councilwoman LeClair also stated that the Town's water towers serve the users in all water districts. Mr. Wade asked if this was an equalization. Councilwoman LeClair stated yes, it helps the people who have the older infrastructure.

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Bruce Flayer addressed the Town Board regarding the Highway Garage roof repair work. He stated that most materials have inspection requirements for the warranty. He suggested that the suppliers be contacted to see what's necessary to extend the warranties and to find out what supervision is needed. He stated that the contractor only warrants the workmanship. The Supervisor stated that the Town has looked into that. The Town's engineer verified the warranties for all the products being used and the warranties on the workmanship. Mr. Flayer believed there is normally a standard limited warranty, unless someone is on sight observing the work.

Dominic Tom, Cedar Lane, addressed the Board. He stated that he wanted to congratulate Councilman Hogan for publicly expressing his surprise and skepticism regarding the replacement of the Planning Board member, that was announced at the Organizational Meeting, and to be concerned enough to abstain from the vote. He stated that it was a clear indication that the 56 resolutions had been given to the Town Board and the public just before the meeting started. He stated that whomever is responsible for compiling the mostly standard annual resolutions, had since November, when election results were finalized, to ensure the legislation was ready and distributed in enough time for the Board Members to review in advance. Mr. Tom was of the opinion, that to allow a vote on 56 resolutions without providing a public comment period or suitable advance notice is very questionable, regardless of the Supervisor's discretion. He suggested a solution would be to hold a public Town Board workshop a few days before the regular meeting, so the agenda items available at that time can be explained and discussed in depth. Mr. Tom advised the Town Board that he has lodged a complaint with the ACLU over a Town Board meeting last fall. He stated that the Supervisor had interrupted him twice, while reading a prepared statement and then advised him that his three-minute public comment time had expired. He stated that this was a violation of his freedom of speech, because it was a bogus accusation, that he was making personal and political attacks. He stated that he was formally notifying the Town Board that the ACLU Executive Director told him, that any such public comment time that's interrupted by an elected official, is to have the wasted amount of time added back on to the original time limit. He commented that the Executive Director also stated, any further interruptions should be reported to the ACLU via an official complaint. They will consider this a repeat offense on the part of the Moreau Town Board and would consider taking legal action. He further requested the Town Board to establish a policy or issue a directive that all non-elected, salaried department heads/managers/supervisors be required to, as necessary, participate in all regularly scheduled and special Town Board meetings. He stated that when he was a reporter, he covered many local governments and school districts and they all required attendance at meetings. He stated that Moreau is the first town he's encountered that fails to do so. He pointed out that Jesse Fish is a non-elected official and attends all meetings.

SUPERVISOR'S ITEMS

The Supervisor stated that he was appointing Brigid Martin as the local historian for the Town. He thanked Mary Antis for her service to the community, which she has provided in that position for the past several years.

The Supervisor stated that he was appointing Deputy Supervisor, Kyle Noonan, to the newly created position of South Glens Falls CSD liaison, to ensure that the School District and the Town, not only work together, but have a better communication line.

The Supervisor stated that the moratorium on the construction of commercial solar arrays in the Town as well as the six-month moratorium on multi-family dwellings expired last week. He's asked Counsel to review the documents. He stated that the Town isn't where it wants to be at this time and will need to extend the moratoriums. Counsel will provide draft documents for the Town Board so they can work through this. He stated that the Town has received enormous interest in Solar throughout the Town (Industrial Park, Ag District and other areas). He stated that the Town needs to make sure that they have a wide-ranging regulation of those arrays. He stated primarily, to maintain the character of the community but also for the Town to be a contributor in green energy on the grid. He thought that there was a balance that could be struck by extending the moratorium so that it gets done right the first time.

The Supervisor stated that the Town had an IT event on Christmas day 2019. He's reached out to the FBI's Albany bureau regarding the possibility of them participating in an informational discussion on cyber

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security. He thought it would be an incredible benefit for our residents and businesses in the community and surrounding communities, if they're interested in attending. He plans to organize a meeting sometime in February. A special agent would lead the discussion on what threats they're seeing in our area of upstate New York. They'll also discuss best management practices for our residents and businesses, to help protect them from these types of issues. They'll also provide some case studies from the past, to make us more aware of what's going on. The Supervisor stated that this would be open to the public. Once he sets a date and time, there will be an RSVP for the number of people that plan on attending, so he can adjust the venue accordingly.

The Supervisor wanted to make everyone aware that the new Hudson Headwaters Health Network for Moreau Family Health, will be opening on January 20, 2020. He stated that he's excited and commented that the new facility will be larger and have additional services.

The Supervisor stated that he had received correspondence from Kristine Orr, who is the Superintendent of South Glens Falls CSD, regarding the branding logo that the School has adopted for the use on uniforms and such. She wanted the Town to know that the logo is available for the Town's youth if the Recreation Department would like. He thanked her for sharing that with the Town.

Councilman Noonan stated that the bulldog designs over the years have been borrowed. The School went through a graphic designer and created a new bulldog that is now owned by the District. He stated it will be on all uniforms, letterhead and such.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Noonan wanted to address an email from a resident, who felt he wasn't treated fairly at the Transfer Station. He stated that he had reached out to this resident to get his take on what happened at the Landfill. Councilman Noonan stated that we do everything by the bag. The individual rarely throws out garbage and didn't fill up a 32-gallon drum. He paid for the 32-gallon drum but had 3 \$1.50 bags that weren't filled. It was flagged by the Town's new employee, who Councilman Noonan thought did the right thing. The resident felt that if he didn't go over the 32-gallon size, he shouldn't be charged for each bag separately. He wasn't asked to pay the extra fee. Councilman Noonan suggested that the Landfill Committee look into the matter. He stated that the employee did exactly what he was hired to do but the resident only had 32 gallons in total. He stated that there needs to be a middle ground.

Councilman Donohue stated that there was an issue at the Transfer Station and suggested that there be some signage keeping people out of areas that they don't belong. He stated that there is a yellow line in front of the recyclables but no sign telling people that they shouldn't go past the yellow line. He suggested a chain and a couple small signs.

Councilman Donohue stated that he attended a Community Center meeting last night. He was amazed at how much goes on at the Center and commented on how fiscally responsible they are. He spoke with Councilwoman LeClair regarding a quarterly newsletter and the possibility of the Community Center partnering with the Town. Councilman Donohue stated that the Community Center would also like to be involved with the 5-year Recreation Master Plan. They would like to coordinate some of their programs with the Recreation programs.

Councilman Donohue stated that department heads should be available at meetings to answer questions. He suggested that if someone has a question that the Town Board can't answer, the department head could be available at the next Town Board meeting to give an answer. The Supervisor stated, that at the Organizational meeting, a resolution was passed that allows for any Town Board member to request that a department head be present for a meeting. If they're hourly employees, they would be compensated.

Councilman Donohue stated that he had received a letter from Mr. Tom regarding some issues that he felt needed to be revisited. The first being that National Grid should be contacted when the sewer project starts, for the possibility of having buried lines instead of lines above the ground. He suggested that the sewer committee look into this. The Supervisor stated that he had looked into this for the benefit of the public and for Mr. Tom. He spoke with the Town engineers before they started this project. He indicated

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that this was something the Town would like to do and asked what the feasibility would be. It was relayed from the engineer that it would add several million to the already \$16,000,000 project. He asked the engineer why it would cost more, and it was relayed to him that the project is being done by directional boring not by digging trenches. The Supervisor stated that National Grid will never pay for the installation. It would always be the responsibility of the municipality. He didn't believe that the tax payers would be willing to spend \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000 to alleviate an eyesore, if they knew that it might triple or quadruple their taxes. The Supervisor also commented that you're not permitted to put utility lines next to sewer lines, or in the same hole, according to the engineers. The Supervisor stated that the only other time you'll see someone other than the municipality pay for an upgrade, is if it's part of a DOT project. The Supervisor wasn't saying that this wasn't a good idea only that it really isn't doable.

Councilman Donohue also asked, on behalf of Mr. Tom, for an exemption on real property for those who have disabilities. He stated that he had spoken with the Assessor and was told that the exemption is very similar to the over 65 exemption. She told Councilman Donohue that the Town would have to opt into it and work with the School District. She told Councilman Donohue that she would be willing to meet with the Town Board to discuss the options, rules, regulations and qualifications. She did tell Councilman Donohue that it wouldn't affect a lot of people and therefor, wouldn't be a big burden on the other tax payers, who would have to pick up the slack.

Councilman Noonan stated that he would be willing to speak with Ms. Cronin for her analysis.

The Supervisor stated that he had spoken with the Assessor. He stated that he is always very cognizant of the government initiating new tax credits, however, someone has to pay for it.

Councilman Donohue stated that he had taken a tour of the water towers with Jesse Fish. He stated that the Town is lucky to have someone like Mr. Fish. He commented, that he didn't realize there was so much involved with the Water Superintendent's job.

Councilman Donohue reported that he would be attending the training session for newly elected officials tomorrow. He stated that he would report back to the Board.

Councilman Donohue stated that he had spoken with Paul Joseph regarding Old West Road and will be meeting with him to go over some things.

The Supervisor commented that Old West Road is a challenging situation that doesn't have a simple fix. He stated that there are three driveways at the hairpin turn. He stated that the guard rails don't have holes for driveways. The Highway Superintendent told the Supervisor, that even if they were able to do spaced guard rails, plowing snow from west to east, would require his trucks to be in the other lane. The Supervisor thought that would be more of a danger than not having a guard rail. The Supervisor stated that there's no solution yet, but that they know it's a problem.

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, to close the meeting for the evening at 8:26 p.m.

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

Councilman Hogan	Aye
Councilman Noonan	Aye
Councilwoman LeClair	Aye
Councilman Donohue	Aye
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Leeann McCabe, Town Clerk