

*A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Moreau and public hearing on proposed Local Law 6 of 2025 was held at 7:00 p.m. on April 29, 2025 at the Moreau Municipal Building, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, Saratoga County, New York.*

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The meeting was held in person and called to order by the Supervisor at 7:00 p.m. with an attendance roll call.

<b>PRESENT:</b>	John Donohue, Jr.	Councilmember
	Patrick Killian	Councilmember
	Kyle Noonan	Councilmember
	Mark Stewart	Councilmember
	Jesse A. Fish, Jr.	Supervisor

<b>ALSO PRESENT:</b>	Erin Trombley	Town Clerk
	Brian Reichenbach	Town Counsel
	Josh Westfall	Building, Planning and Development (BPD) Coordinator
	Chris Abrams	Highway Superintendent
	Kristian Mechanick	Water Superintendent
	Elizabeth Bennett	Supervisor's Confidential Secretary

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tammy Breen, Pat Breen, Greg Hewlett (The Pines), Dave Rogge (Lamplighter Acres), Diane Selchick, Maureen Dennis (Schermerhorn Real Estate Holdings), Chris Scarincio, Emma Maiorella (and family), Steve Willard (C2AE), Adele Kurtz, Alex Portal (Post-Star)

**LOCAL LAW 6 OF 2025**

**Resolution 178-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, to open the public hearing for proposed local law 6 of 2025.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

Public Comments:

Adele Kurtz asked why this law was introduced, and why non-policy-making employees are included in those who need to make financial disclosure. She said the reason for financial disclosure was for transparency when someone has business before the Board, Planning Board or Zoning Board. She characterized adding clerks, accounts payable, and bookkeepers as overreach by local government. She also said the Town Justices are missing from the list of those required to file a disclosure. She said even State and County court judges, who are elected officials, must file. Councilmember Noonan asked who had drafted the law, if it had been Attorney Bruening. The Supervisor confirmed that Attorney Bruening had worked on the draft, who was not present at the meeting. It was suggested that clarification was needed from him. Confidential Secretary Bennett said the law was simply updating the titles of the employees that were listed in the old law, and that Judge McCabe had informed the Supervisor's office that he files his disclosure through the courts so he doesn't do Town disclosures. Ms. Kurtz said the unified court system requires financial disclosures for elected Supreme and Superior Court officials, but not from local Town Justices. Councilmember Stewart asked Attorney Reichenbach if the questions of Justices filing, and the inclusion of all staff could be clarified with Attorney Bruening. The Supervisor suggested leaving the public hearing open and referring the matters back to the Town attorneys to be revisited at the next meeting.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS/UPCOMING EVENTS**

Supervisor Fish said the only upcoming event would be the Memorial Day Parade on May 23.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

No comments were made.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Steve Willard, an engineer from C2AE, was asked by the Supervisor to address those assembled to explain the proposed sewer rates. Mr. Willard said they used the property classification code from Saratoga County Real Property and the Town's water law as a basis to calculate EDUs. He said he understood the original proposal for debt was based upon assessment, which he said was something he had never seen before. He said the first factor in the calculation was water usage, the 2<sup>nd</sup> factor, for those without a water usage to use, was the County drainage EDU rate, and third they examined individual properties with the Supervisor. He said this very fair and a common way debt is distributed, and asked if there were any questions.

Greg Hewlett asked if flow rates were used with other factors. He said there were flow rates on only 2 types of parcels and asked about the others. Mr. Willard said a single-family home will always equal 1 EDU, and that large commercial properties were based upon use as determined by meters. Mr. Hewlett asked how the use is calculated when there is an alternate water source, such as a well. He offered 1402 Route 9 as an example, which he said had 17 acres, 25,000 sq. ft. of building space, 30 or more employee vehicles daily, and very low water usage and was assigned 1 EDU. He asked how the formula adjusts for these factors. Mr. Willard questioned the idea of outside water supply that did not pass through a meter. Mr. Hewlett said the facility had an annual use figure of 4,500 gallons in 2024, equivalent to less than 15 days of toilet use in a home annually. He suggested well water could be their water source since many properties had wells before municipal water was available. Mr. Hewlett asked how some quantity of water going into the sewer that was unaccounted for through municipal water supply would be calculated in that scenario. Mr. Willard said a well water connection after the installation of municipal water would be very unusual because an inspection by the Department of Health is required to ensure the two supplies are physically separated. He said 20 years prior they had done that inspection. He added there would be no way to calculate that water use without proof. Mr. Hewlett said he had heard of a way to calculate volume based on sewer pump run cycles. Mr. Willard said flow is considered but not the overriding factor, and offered an example of residential use of well to supplement municipal water to water lawns, a large family vs. a retired couple, both assigned 1 EDU. He reiterated his belief that the Town's recent water law and the County sewer rate were a good basis to start with for the Town sewer rate.

Mr. Hewlett asked for the definition of "EDU" saying that he had heard it defined two ways. Mr. Willard said "Equivalent Dwelling Unit" was the correct definition. Mr. Hewlett said then a property on many acres with many employees is considered equivalent to a single family on a small parcel. Mr. Willard said he disagreed, restating that the calculation was based on the formula he described, and said even an empty lot got a single EDU, as did a truck terminal, and a house based on the standard formula applied to water rates. Mr. Hewlett said using the formula, the net is the same, and Mr. Willard agreed. Mr. Hewlett asked if Mr. Willard was comfortable with the results. Mr. Willard said he was, said that they had looked and looked again at the results, overspent their budget, and are prepared to stand by the Town until everyone is satisfied. He pointed out that the original price per EDU proposed was higher than the rate most recently proposed. Mr. Hewlett said it had been his contention that there were more potential EDUs that could have been assigned, which would lower rates per EDU. Mr. Willard disagreed, saying the rate will cover operations and maintenance, and that more users coming onto the system will reduce the rate. Mr. Hewlett questioned whether future development will be assessed equitably, because the application of the formula means a large facility could be assessed 1 EDU, which would not offset much. Mr. Willard said when new properties connect to the line it would offset costs. Mr. Hewlett said it was a one-time buy-in fee of \$3,000. He said he and Mr. Rogge were facing \$300,000 for 30 years, and that the extension was meant to spark growth. He suggested the formula didn't assure their costs would be offset in the future. Mr. Willard said that was Mr. Hewlett's opinion.

Maureen Dennis asked how 841 EDUs were determined that were used to calculate extensions 1-4. Mr. Willard said it was based on the formula. Supervisor Fish said the correct figure was 1,026 EDUs. Ms. Dennis said she looked at sewer capacity prior to a new line being added in 2021. She questioned the Home of the Good Shepherd, with 21 EDUs, and said users on Extensions 1-4 paid a buy-in, but Extension 5 users did not buy in. She said only 33 people on Extension 5 are actually using sewer, and people paying the same as sewer users who are not using sewer should be outraged. She asked if the rate would remain at \$270 per EDU since the EDU figure had changed. Mr. Willard and the Supervisor confirmed that \$270 would be the rate. Ms. Dennis said there would be plenty of money in extensions 1-4.

Councilmember Stewart thanked Mr. Willard and said each classification can be picked apart, but the Board chose the fairest method and will evaluate the rate annually. He said the Board had gone above and beyond, and that the \$750 rate per EDU for Extension 5 is lower than the initial proposed rates. He added that the best way to reduce cost is to add more EDUs. The 711 EDUs in extension 5 will go up, he said, adding that he stands by this decision. Councilmember Killian agreed, saying the Town needed a basis to calculate the assignment of debt and was potentially even leaving the Town short. He said they were being cautious because of the 30-year commitment, and that he hoped for progress.

### **SOUTH GLENS FALLS HIGH SCHOOL CAPSTONE PRESENTATION**

Supervisor Fish explained that students Alahnah Harris and Emma Maiorella from the South Glens Falls High School had worked on a capstone project and asked to present to the Board. He invited Emma to explain the project and present their findings.

Emma Maiorella said the objective of the capstone project, titled “Revitalizing the Community,” was to identify a problem and create a call to action to address the problem. Emma said her partner could not be there that evening. She said they looked for ways to revitalize the community through business and social opportunities. Ms. Maiorella said she looked into how multi-use developments can be used to grow towns like Moreau, to generate tax revenue, and to improve mental health among residents. Problems she said they identified included lack of recreational opportunities to draw teens and residents in general as a center for interaction. She said because other towns nearby with more opportunities tend to attract more travelers and residents, which negatively impacts tax revenue. She said multi-use developments bring more tax revenue than traditional developments. A study of Ashville, NC showed that downtown areas with mixed use had eight times the amount of tax revenue over large, single-use developments or structures, she said, giving Super Wal-Mart as an example of the latter. She said multi-use developments are also a more efficient use of land.

She said that despite having natural resources all around, the average travel time to outdoor recreation and work was 22 minutes by car, which she described as average nationwide, but that she felt was too long. Ms. Maiorella presented a chart that showed resources available in Moreau, showing 5% allocated to recreation and entertainment, 2% allocated to human services. She said this was bad because only 33% of suburban youth had visited a park or playground in a given week. She said this leads to social disconnection and higher rates of depression. In suburban areas, she said only 20% of residents said they know most of their neighbors compared to 50% in walkable neighborhoods. Neighborhoods without a social gathering place report 60% higher social isolation rates, she said.

Ms. Maiorella suggested a multi-use facility to combat these statistics in our suburban village. A single mixed-use like a café, community room, or gallery can increase neighbor interaction 25-30%, she said. She cited a 2022 study that showed that residents living above or near small businesses in suburban settings were 40% more likely to stay in their current neighborhood. A walkable multi-use structure increased foot traffic to an area up to 45%, she added. She cited a National Recreation and Park Association statistic that showed increased, walking, biking, and being outdoors, and 85% of adults reported being more active if there were places they could walk to safely.

Ms. Maiorella quoted another 2022 study that laid out how developing sewer could encourage growth and sustain growth. She said there had been a lack of growth. She said if the Town was serious about creating a multi-use space, they should do it right. Repurposing buildings is one way to do that, she said, by reducing cost, limiting environmental damage, and maintaining the character of the Town. Ms. Maiorella said there is a savings of 75% by repurposing buildings. She said to examine vacant or abandoned commercial properties for potential sites. She said zoning policies needed to be reviewed, and mentioned the C1 district is all auto shops and light repair, not really commercial. She said the Town could consider re-zoning to make it easier to bring in new businesses.

Access to green spaces reduces anxiety and depression rates, she said, and suggested that a rooftop garden, courtyard, or parklet open to the public could increase access to green spaces. Inclusion of native plants in these spaces helps reduce maintenance and support pollinators, she added. She also suggested partnering with local artists or schools for upkeep. Walkability in neighborhoods reduces obesity rates by over 20%, Ms. Maiorella said, suggesting sidewalks, crosswalks, bike paths, outdoor seating, and signage. To combat increasing traffic, she mentioned collaboration with CDTA , including a transit shelter in a multi-use development. She described inclusion of such a space as a hub of community activity rather than just a building.

Councilmember Killian asked what Ms. Maiorella would suggest as ideal. She said her personal opinion was more opportunities to do things with her friends were needed, and since many students do not have access to a car, public transit service should be better. She said the CDTA bus is inconsistent in route times in rural areas. She said she recommended retention of the “outdoorsy” nature of the Town, and to have a residential art space. She said there are no places, social third spaces, to go do things in Moreau. Those in attendance applauded Ms. Maiorella’s presentation, and the Board thanked her.

## **INSURANCE RENEWAL**

Supervisor Fish said the Town insurance policy was due May 1, but that all the quotes had not yet been received. As a way to avoid a special meeting, Attorney Reichenbach recommended authorizing the Supervisor to sign the policy recommended by the broker because an insurance policy can be changed at any time if the Board changes its mind.

**Resolution 179-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Killian, to authorize the Supervisor to sign the liability insurance policy to be recommended by the broker after quotes are received.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Supervisor asked the Town Clerk to read a resolution. She read:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board accepts and approves the minutes for the Special Town Board meeting on March 14, 2025 as submitted.” She also indicated Councilmembers Killian and Noonan had been absent.

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**Resolution 180-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, to accept the resolution as read.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Abstained
Councilmember Noonan	Abstained
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 3:0.

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The Town Clerk read the following:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board accepts and approves the minutes for the Month End Audit meeting on March 25, 2025 as submitted.” She indicated Councilmember Noonan had been absent.

**Resolution 181-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue, to accept the resolution as read.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Abstained
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

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The Town Clerk read the following:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board accepts and approves the minutes for the Regular Town Board meeting on March 25, 2025 as submitted.” She indicated Councilmember Noonan had been absent.

**Resolution 182-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Killian, seconded by Councilmember Donohue, to accept the resolution as read.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Abstained
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

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The Town Clerk read the following:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board accepts and approves the minutes for the Regular Town Board meeting on April 8, 2025 as submitted.” The Supervisor indicated Councilmember Donohue had been absent.

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The Town Clerk read the following:

**Resolution 183-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Killian, to accept the resolution as read.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Abstained
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

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The Town Clerk read the following:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board accepts and approves the minutes for the Special Town Board meeting on April 15, 2025 as submitted.” She indicated Councilmember Killian had been absent.

**Resolution 184-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue, to accept the resolution as read.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

## **BUILDING, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**

### Hudson River Valley Greenway Trails Grant Application

Supervisor Fish asked the Town Clerk to read the following resolution. She read:

“**WHEREAS**, the Town of Moreau the Town of Moreau has a project entitled *Moreau Riverside Trail Phase II Planning*, which will be located in the Town of Moreau, and the Town is therefore applying to the Hudson River Valley Greenway for a grant under the Hudson River Valley Greenway Trails Program for Trail Planning; and

**WHEREAS**, said grant will provide the town with funding up to \$75,000 for the development of planning documents for Phase II of the Moreau Riverside Trail with a 50:50 match; and

**WHEREAS**, this project will be a necessary step to further the Town’s 2021 Trails Concept Plan and implement the overall vision of the Moreau Riverside Trail, to eventually connect to Moreau Lake State Park;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Town Board of the Town of Moreau does hereby approve and endorse the grant application under the Hudson River Valley Greenway Trail Program for Trail Planning, for a project known as *Moreau Riverside Trail Phase II Planning*, located in Moreau; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor to enter into any agreement pursuant to award, with the Hudson River Valley Greenway.”

**Resolution 185-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, to accept the resolution as read.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0. Supervisor Fish thanked BPD Coordinator Westfall for his work on this and other projects.

### Drainage Engineering Proposal

On the subject of the drainage situation on Meadow Drive, the Supervisor summarized that weeks prior O’Connor had been hired to address a plugged drainage pipe, which they had subcontracted out to Kubricky, who discovered the pipe was impassable due to a solid object or blockage of some kind. Jetting was attempted to clean out the blockage which didn’t work, and a sinkhole developed in a yard. In the process of attempting to clear the pipe from Feeder to the next manhole, another sinkhole opened up in the road. He said the engineers estimated \$28,400 to determine the ultimate remedy for the situation. He said the choice at that time was either to continue with the engineer, or to repair two collapsed sections of the pipe and line the pipe with a slip line. He said if they chose the latter option, it would prevent tearing up several yards, driveways, and the cul-de-sac at the end. He said the choice was up to the Board.

Councilmember Stewart said he preferred to wait and continue pumping the water down. He estimated it was costing \$5,000-\$6,000 a month in an emergency capacity for the pump. He suggested letting Kubricky and their engineers continue to work and fix the 2 sections of pipe, which would correct the immediate emergency need for the pump. He agreed the slip lining was the least invasive solution. He said the lining has a 1-year warranty and should last 50 years. Supervisor Fish said the solution with engineering could be \$300,000-350,000. Councilmember Stewart said they should look at the cost of full repair and who should pay for it after the immediate repairs are made. Councilmember Killian asked if the drainage district can contribute financially. The question was raised as to the existence of a drainage district, to which Confidential Secretary Bennett said there is evidence that a district was created, and that Attorney Bruening said it would not be legal to use outside tax funds to repair inside the district. Attorney Richenbacker confirmed this is correct.

Councilmember Stewart asked if the district had ever been dissolved. He said the area was developed in the 1980s, and proposed making immediate repairs to the two sections of collapsed pipe, lining it, and then looking into the district further. The Supervisor and Councilmember Stewart said the rest of the lines had been photographed and there were no other emergencies in the system reported. Supervisor Fish said one plastic pipe was plugged and can be cleaned. Councilmember Killian asked if the line was corrugated, to which the Supervisor responded affirmatively, adding it was not in good shape. Councilmember Donohue said they need to repair the two sections, that this would be less disruptive, and they can decide on slip lining later. Councilmembers Noonan and Killian expressed their agreement. Supervisor Fish said he would contact Kubricky on 4/30/25 to get more information from their engineers. Supervisor Fish said he would keep the Board informed.

### Recreation Park Improvements Engineering Proposal

The Supervisor said there was another engineering proposal, this time for improvements to the Recreation Park. He said 75% of the cost would be paid by grant. He then asked the Town Clerk to read a prepared resolution. She read:

**“WHEREAS**, the Town of Moreau was awarded a NYS Parks Planning Grant by the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for a project up to \$273,545; and

**WHEREAS**, the OPRHP grant is a 75:25 reimbursable grant to be used for funding the engineering of trails and a new entrance to the Harry J. Betar Recreation Park, from Fort Edward Road, on generally underdeveloped parcels; and

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation has approved the submitted proposal from MJ Engineering for the project;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to execute the MJ Engineering proposal for improvements at the Harry J. Betar Recreation Park, dated January 22, 2025; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Board authorizes an expenditure not to exceed \$227,200, pending notice of permissive referendum, to be paid from account HT7180.4, the Town Wide Recreation Capital Reserve Fund, which will include a reimbursable amount of \$170,400 and the Town’s contribution of \$56,800.”

**A motion** was made by Councilmember Donohue.

**Discussion:** Councilmember Noonan asked if there was a corresponding proposal regarding a road. BPD Coordinator Westfall said there is and it had been sent some time earlier. Councilmember Stewart asked if there was only one quote and if the bid they were reviewing was accurate. Twenty-two aspects of the project MJ Engineering had excluded themselves from, according to Councilmember Stewart, and he questioned whether those items, if added later, would eat the remaining funds from the grant. They excluded themselves from public hearings, leading the Town through the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) process, surveying and others, he said. The Councilmember said he did not like the proposal for the list of exclusions for the sum of money they would receive. He suggested sending the project to two additional firms. Councilmember Stewart asked again if the quote was correct. Mr. Westfall confirmed it was, and said 10% of the project cost was engineering, and that the proposal is \$50,000 lower than the full potential award. Councilmember Killian asked if they could ask for more to be included for more money? Mr. Westfall said the proposed access road to the Recreation Park would be an unlisted action for SEQR. Further action on this topic was tabled.

**TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE**

Supervisor Fish asked Town Clerk Trombley to read a resolution. She read:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes Deputy Clerk Dianne Lewis to attend the NYSATRC Training Seminar in Lake George from June 8-11, 2025 at an amount not to exceed \$305.39 to be paid from account A1330.4.”

**Resolution 186-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Noonan, to accept the resolution as read.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

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Action and discussion were tabled on this topic.

**HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

2023-24 Tandem Dump Truck

Supervisor Fish explained that there had been an increase of over \$4,000 to the total of an order for a dump truck which was approved in 2023. He said the Highway Superintendent recommended approving the increase.

**Discussion:** Superintendent Abrams said clauses have been in contracts since COVID related to the rising cost of building the equipment. He mentioned the rising price of steel. He said they had turned down a truck in the past because the increase was too much. Including the increase under discussion, he said the total was still \$15,000 less than what the Board had approved two months prior. Councilmember Stewart asked when the truck would actually arrive. The Superintendent said it was being outfitted at that time, and they would expect to receive it between December 2025 and March 2026.

The Town Clerk was asked to read the following resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes a contract increase, in the amount of \$4,379.76, for the purchase of a 2024 International HX520 SFA, as previously quoted by H.L. Gage on February 1, 2023, for a total contract price of \$302,244.54. “

**Resolution 187-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue, to accept the resolution as read.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

Advertising for New Hire

Supervisor Fish announced that a long-time employee had recently passed away, so a new hire would be needed. He said they were looking to post the position until May 9.

**Discussion:** Councilmember Stewart asked if that would give Mr. Abrams enough time to interview all the potential applicants. Mr. Abrams said he would make it work. Supervisor Fish asked about looking again at previous applicants since there had been another hiring not long before. The Superintendent said of the two remaining candidates, one would not return his calls and the other lived too far away to drive in during inclement winter weather.

The Town Clerk read the following prepared resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor’s Office to advertise for a laborer vacancy in the Highway Department, at a rate of compensation per the CSEA Contract, with an application deadline of 9:00am on Friday, May 9, 2025.”

**Resolution 188-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue, to accept the resolution as read.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

**TRANSFER STATION**

Supervisor Fish said that during the organizational meeting, the hours the Transfer Station would be closed were listed, but at the meeting earlier in April, the Manager had requested Memorial Day and Labor Day off.

**Discussion:** Councilmember Donohue asked rhetorically who goes to the Transfer Station on those holidays. Councilmember Noonan said he had questioned whether those holidays had been listed in the organizational meeting minutes, and since they are not, he asked for confirmation that is the reason for the discussion. He said people were upset when the Transfer Station was closed on Good Friday because they are not working and may want to use the facilities. He said he had inquired about time employees could choose to take off, and didn’t realize that as part-time employees, Transfer Station staff do not have paid personal or vacation days to take if they wanted to take the day off and the facilities are open. It was asked if it would be possible to modify the schedule for those days to make it work without closing. Councilmember Killian asked if it were possible to be open longer on the days prior to the holidays. Councilmember Stewart said these employees don’t have the days off when the rest of the staff are off, so he suggested they try closing Memorial Day and see how it goes before deciding on Labor Day. Councilmember Donohue said these two days are major holidays and he didn’t see the issue with closing those days.

**Resolution 189-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Killian, to authorize the closure of the Transfer Station on Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Councilmember Stewart gave an update on progress at the recreation park, saying the Field 3 fence is up, and that there were sprinkler system issues being resolved. He thanked the Supervisor for the brackets that were needed for baseball dugouts that staff will install. He said Rec. Clean-Up Day had been a success. He said there are questions outstanding about South Glens Falls Youth Baseball batting cages, and there is no cost to the Town for the three batting cages because the league had raised funds and gotten a grant for them. Three cages and a smaller field were being laid out in preparation for the new access road and additional parking. He suggested tabling a decision until after a better lay-out is ready but there is a time constraint so a special meeting may be required if they cannot wait until the May 13 meeting. There was discussion about authoring Recreation Director Brogan to act when the plan was ready, but Councilmember Stewart said there were questions about the contract outstanding as well.

The Board and South Glens Falls Youth Baseball need to discuss vending machines further as well.

### **WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT**

The Supervisor said the Board had previously authorized the purchase of a mole for the Water Department for \$10,000 and the Water Superintendent had found one for significantly less. He asked the Town Clerk to read a prepared resolution. She read:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board authorizes the purchase of an underground piercing mole from UCG Underground Supplies, LLC, for an amount not to exceed \$5,985, to be paid from account CW8310.2.”

**Resolution 190-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, to authorize the closure of the Transfer Station on Memorial Day and Labor Day.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

### **SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE**

Discussion on the topic of upgrading the Town camera system was tabled.

Court Audit

The Town Clerk was asked to read a prepared resolution. She read:

**“Be it RESOLVED:**

That the Town Board acknowledges that the required examination of the Town Court’s financial records for the year ended December 31, 2024, has been completed.

**So be it FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That the Town Board accepts and approves the report of this examination.”

**Resolution 191-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, to accept the resolution as read.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

**DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORTS**

The Town Clerk read the following resolution:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board accepts the March Department Head report from the Town Clerk’s Office.”

**Resolution 192-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Noonan, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, to accept the resolution as read.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

**TOWN LOGO SUBMISSIONS**

Supervisor Fish asked for feedback or questions from the Board. Councilmember Noonan asked if they would just leave discussion open until they find something they like. Supervisor Fish answered affirmatively. The Councilmember said the project could remain open forever and asked if they had some kind of direction.

Councilmember Donohue suggested that each Town Board member bring in a submission they like to see if they can reach a consensus. This was generally agreed.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Discussion:** Councilmember Killian reported that the diagnosis of a problem with the Town Hall basement alarm system was that it was an issue with the dialer sending intermittent signals, and the proposed remedy had been to go with a wireless signal that would go directly to the fire alarm company. He said he wanted to wait because there could be a number of reasons the wires are getting intermittent power and he said the cause should be determined before spending \$1,200 when the remedy may be as simple as changing from a jack to a switch. He said the fire alarm company should run some diagnostics before they agree to pay the \$1,200.

**Resolution 193-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Killian, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, to rescind motion 152-2025.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

## **SUPERVISOR'S ITEMS**

Supervisor Fish said employee Shawn Weller had been doing a good job at the Recreation Department operating the loader, and he suggested Mr. Weller receive a raise in pay when performing this function at the Rec. Councilmember Stewart said he agreed and asked if there was a way to pay him retroactively for the hours he had already worked in that capacity. The Councilmember asked what the current Operator's rate was. Secretary Bennett said his current rate is \$16 per hour. Supervisor Fish asked what the full-time recreation employee rate was. Councilmember Stewart asked Highway Superintendent Abrams what his entry level operator rate was. Mr. Abrams stated the rate was \$30 per hour. Councilmember Stewart said he was willing to go to \$25 for a staff member working in a special capacity with heavy machinery. The Councilmember clarified if this was a rate increase for hours when the employee was performing this function only. The Supervisor confirmed that was the intention.

**Resolution 194-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue, to approve Shawn Weller for a rate of \$25 per hour when operating heavy equipment for the Recreation Department.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Maureen Dennis asked if she needed to submit a FOIL request to receive a detailed breakdown of how EDUs were assigned in the sewer district. The consensus was that she could FOIL the information.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Resolution 195-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular employee.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0. The Board entered Executive Session at 8:28 p.m.  
Executive Session concluded at 8:52 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution 196-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan, to adjourn the meeting.

Asked if all were in favor, the responses were as follows:

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Erin Trombley*  
Erin Trombley, Town Clerk

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