

The meeting was held in person and called to order by the Supervisor at 7:02 p.m. with an attendance roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

<b>ABSENT:</b>	John Donohue, Jr.	Councilmember
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<b>ALSO PRESENT:</b>	Erin Trombley	Town Clerk
	Glen Bruening	Town Counsel
	Josh Westfall	Building, Planning and Development (BPD) Coordinator
	Chris Abrams	Highway Superintendent
	Kristian Mechanick	Water Superintendent
	Reed Antis	Town Historian
	Elizabeth Bennett	Confidential Secretary
	Diana Corlew-Harris	Planning/Zoning Board Secretary

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Paul Itzo, Jeremy Bunblasky (Seaboard Solar), Brandon Fergason (EDP), Elizabeth Belair, Maureen Jackson, Michael Seitz, Luke Michaels, Maureen Dennis (Schermerhorn Real Estate Holdings), Sheila Itzo, Ken Trout, Nancy Gooley, Alex Portal (Post-Star).

#### **FUTURE MEETINGS/UPCOMING EVENTS**

Supervisor Fish said that due to budget deadlines, the November meeting would be rescheduled. He asked the Town Clerk to read a resolution. She read:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board sets the first November 2025 Town Board meeting to Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.”

**Resolution 360-2025** 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	Absent
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Town Clerk read:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board accepts and approves the minutes for the Month-End Audit meeting on August 26, 2025 as submitted.” She also indicated that Councilmember Stewart had been absent.

**Resolution 361-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Noonan, seconded by Councilmember Killian to accept the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 3:0.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Supervisor Fish opened the floor for public comments.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

There were no items to address.

## **LOCAL LAW NO. 10 of 2025**

Supervisor Fish introduced a revised version of proposed Local Law No. 10 of 2025. He said copies were available at the sign-in table, and the public hearing would be left open. There were no comments from the Board or public at that time.

## **SEWER DISTRICT 1, EXTENSION 6**

The Supervisor explained that in order to add two new developments to the sewer district, a law would need to be passed to add a new extension. The new extension will flow South to the County, he said, and will be subject to the same rates and charges as Extension 5. Extension 6 will be comprised of Arrowhead Village and Jacobie Park Side Farms, he said, adding that there was a map, plan, and report for the proposed extension. He said the next step would be a public hearing. Supervisor Fish asked the Town Clerk to read a prepared extension. She read:

**“WHEREAS** the Town of Moreau wishes to consider an extension of its Sewer District No. 1, Extension No. 5 to be known as Sewer District No. 1, Extension No. 6 (referred to as “Extension No. 6”) to serve several parcels of property being developed for residential housing known as the Arrowhead Meadows, SRH-TJM, and Jacobie’s Parkside Farm subdivisions; and

**WHEREAS** a Map, Plan and Report, dated June 18, 2025 and last revised August 27, 2025, has been prepared by Environmental Design Partnership, LLP describing the proposed Extension No. 6 to connect the three subdivisions to Sewer District No. 1, Extension No. 5; and

**WHEREAS** the Map, Plan and Report has been filed in the Office of the Moreau Town Clerk and is available for public inspection; and

**WHEREAS** as required by Town Law Section 209-c, the Map, Plan and Report delineates the boundaries of the proposed Extension No. 6, describes a general plan of the proposed sewer extension, includes a report of the proposed method of operation, and shows all outlets and the terminus and course of each proposed main sewer together with the location and a general description of all sewage disposal plants, pumping stations and other public works, and is consistent with, so far as possible, any comprehensive plan for sewers developed and maintained pursuant to General Municipal Law Section 99-f; and

**WHEREAS** on March 15, 2021, the Moreau Planning Board issued a Negative Declaration in compliance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and conditionally approved the Arrowhead Meadows subdivision; and

**WHEREAS** on April 19, 2021 the Moreau Planning Board issued a Negative Declaration in compliance with SEQRA and conditionally approved the SRH-TJM subdivision; and

**WHEREAS** on February 26, 2024, the Moreau Planning Board approved minor amendments of the subdivision plans for the Arrowhead Meadows and SRH-TJM subdivisions; and

**WHEREAS** on November 18, 2024 the Moreau Planning Board issued a Negative Declaration in compliance with SEQRA and conditionally approved the Jacobie's Parkside Farm subdivision on July 21, 2025; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:**

1. The boundaries of the proposed Extension No. 6 are as set forth in the Map, Plan and Report as follows:

**SEWER SERVICE AREA EXTENSION DESCRIPTION OVER ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE in the Town of Moreau, County of Saratoga, State of New York lying along the southerly line of Bluebird Road, easterly line of New York State Route 32 and the south and north lines of Moreau Recreation Road and being further bounded and described as follows:**

**Beginning** at the point of intersection of the southerly line of Bluebird Road with the common division line of SBL#50.-3-32.1 to the west and SBL#50.-3-29.22 to the east;

**Thence** along the common division line of said southerly line of Bluebird Road and the northerly line of SBL#50.-3-29.22 in a general easterly direction, 334± feet to the point of intersection of said common division line with the easterly line of SBL#50.70-1-1;

**Thence** along the common division line of said SBL#50.-3-29.22 to the west-southwest and SBL#50.70-1-1, SBL#50.70-1-2, SBL#50.70-1-33, SBL#50.70-1-30, SBL#50.70-1-29, SBL#50.70-1-28, SBL#50.70-1-27, SBL#50.70-1-26, SBL#50.70-1-25 and SBL#50.70-1-24 to the east-northeast in a general southerly direction, 1,309± feet to the point of intersection of said common division line with the northerly line of SBL#50.-3-28.2;

**Thence** along the common division line of said SBL#50.-3-28.2 to the south and SBL#50.70-1-24 to the north in a general east-northeasterly direction, 11± feet to the point of intersection of said common division line with the westerly line of SBL#50.-3-24.11;

**Thence** along the common division line of said SBL#50.-3-28.2, Moreau Recreation Road and SBL#64.-1-54 to the west and SBL#50.-3-24.11 to the east in a generally southeasterly direction, 1,187± feet to the point of intersection of said common division with the SBL#64.-1-2;

**Thence** along the common division line of said SBL#64.-1-54 to the north, and SBL#64.-1-2 and SBL#64.1-1-8.12 to the south in a general westerly direction 2,016± feet to the point of intersection of said common division with the southeasterly line of SBL#64.-1-1.1; ...”

The Supervisor directed the Clerk to skip the remainder of the composition description. Clerk Trombley continued:

“2. The proposed sanitary sewer infrastructure would include a low-pressure collection system with individual grinder pumps serving the proposed single family residential homes, and larger grinder units serving the apartment buildings. The low-pressure system will include a polyethylene force main pipe varying between 1.5 inches to 3.0 inches in diameter. This low-pressure sewer collection system would

connect to an existing 10-inch force main located along Bluebird Road adjacent to the Arrowhead Meadows, LLC site. From this point, all sewer flows from the Service Area will be conveyed to the Saratoga County Sewer District No. 1 Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). A copy of each of the project's design plans and the proposed sanitary sewer infrastructure are included in Appendix F of the Map, Plan and Report.

3. The cost of the formation of Extension No. 6 and all infrastructure improvements associated with connecting to the existing Sewer District No. 1, Extension No. 5 infrastructure will be paid by the developers of the subdivisions. It is estimated that the cost of the improvements necessary to provide service to the proposed subdivisions, including the low-pressure collection system and individual pump stations is estimated to be approximately \$1,500,000.00. The Town will incur no costs for the formation of Extension No. 6 or the infrastructure.

4. The estimated annual cost to the developed property would be as calculated in the Map, Plan and Report. The proposed extension would serve single-family residences and apartment units. The annual cost to a single-family home will be the same as is applicable to Sewer District No. 1, Extension No. 5, which is \$750.00 per equivalent dwelling unit (EDU). In 2025, the capital costs of the district were estimated to be \$278,000.00 and operation and maintenance costs estimated to be \$158,000. The total annual cost of \$436,000.00 divided among the 711 EDUs accounted for at that time yielded \$613.00 per EDU. A \$137.00 per EDU contingency and reserve charge was added to produce the annual sewer charge of \$750.00 per EDU for Sewer District No. 1, Extension No. 5.

5. The subdivision developers would pay the sewer service capacity fee and any other applicable fees as set forth in the Town's current Schedule of Sewer Charges. A copy of the current Schedule of Sewer Charges is included in Appendix I of the Map, Plan and Report. A summary of the individual project annual costs is tabulated in Appendix G based on the Saratoga County Sewer District and Town of Moreau sewer charges and rates.

6. The Town of Moreau Sewer District No. 1, Extension 6 would take ownership of and be responsible for all common infrastructure (i.e., low pressure force main) whereas the individual property owners, including the owners of the Jacobie's Parkside Farm apartments, will be responsible for their private laterals and grinder pumps. Permitting from the Town of Moreau may be necessary prior to installing grinder pump stations and associated private laterals.

7. The Moreau Town Board will meet and hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 23, 2025, beginning at 7:01 p.m. at Moreau Town Hall, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, New York 12828, to consider the Map, Plan and Report on the proposed Sewer District No. 1, Extension No. 6 and to hear all persons interested in the proposal and to take such other and further action as may be required or authorized by law.

8. The Town Board authorizes and directs the Moreau Town Clerk to publish this Order in the newspaper, and post this Order on the Town website at [www.townofmoreau.org](http://www.townofmoreau.org), not less than 10 days nor more than 20 days before the date of the Public Hearing."

**Resolution 362-2025** 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	Absent
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

### **SOUTHERN ADK SOFTBALL LEAGUE**

Beth Blare was invited by the Supervisor to address the Board about a new Southern Adirondack Softball League, for which she was seeking a contract with the Town. Ms. Blare thanked the Board for the opportunity to address them. She said she was a 2005 South High grad and lifelong Town resident. As a student she participated in the 2002 State Championship, she said, and after graduation she returned to coach. She said opportunities for competitive local play has faded, replaced by travel leagues. She had started a new competitive local league earlier in the year. She praised the Recreation Director and his staff for always having the fields ready for play. She said she had hosted 10 games in her inaugural year. The new league is comprised of 6 organizations who share league ownership: Saratoga Thunder out of Saratoga Springs; Miss Scotties from Ballston Spa; two Titans teams representing Schuylerville, Greenwich, Hudson Falls, & Fort Ann; Queensbury; and South Glens Falls Lady Bulldogs. She said this league is intended to be inclusive, that every player gets to play, receives encouragement, and acquires skills they will use beyond their sport.

Ms. Blare asked the Board to allow the league to contract to use fields A, B, C, & D on Wednesday evenings in June and July (Except July 2), and Sundays in September/October, planned around other tournaments. She said the teams are 8U-12U, and the schedule she proposed would help fill the Recreation fields during their slow seasons. She said the Town would receive \$980 in field use revenue, and that they hoped to offer concessions with an 80/20 profit share, with the league's share covering umpire fees, trophies, and other expenses. Additionally, she said families traveling to Moreau to participate in the league will spend money in Town. She and make Moreau a regional youth sports hub. In summary she said she wanted to provide opportunities for kids close, engage members of the community, maximize facilities use, supporting local businesses, and growing community spirit.

Councilmember Noonan asked if Ms. Blare has spoken to Recreation Director Brogan. She said she had. Councilmember Killian asked in jest where Ms. Blare had been, and then said this was a great approach and would be good for the kids. Councilmember Stewart said the presentation was perfect, and that coordination with the other organizations that use the Recreation Park facilities is what he believed would make it successful. He expressed support for the endeavor. Supervisor Fish thanked Ms. Blare for the presentation, and stressed how important it was to work around existing schedules. He then directed Counsel to work up a contract.

### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

Supervisor Fish said a summer lifeguard was interested in joining the Recreation Dept. staff. He asked the Clerk to read a resolution. She read:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the hiring of Asher Martens as a part-time seasonal Recreation Laborer at a rate of \$15.50 per hour, effective immediately.”

**Resolution 363-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan to accept the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

Supervisor Fish said the Recreation Director was looking to prepay a voucher to pay for park restroom improvements and close out a grant. The Town Clerk read:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor’s Office to prepay a voucher for the September Warrant to One Point Partitions, in the amount of \$8,747.00.”

**Resolution 364-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan to approve the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

#### **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

Supervisor Fish said the Highway Superintendent was looking for Class B training for an employee of 6 years. Getting this training would add another driver for the winter plowing season and benefit the department, he said, and that the employee was aware of the Town’s training policy. The Town Clerk read:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes Highway Department Laborer, David Smith, to register for and complete training courses through WSWHE BOCES to obtain his Class B Commercial Driver’s License, pending his execution of the Town Training Agreement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Town Board authorizes the total cost not to exceed \$3,400 which will be paid from account A5010.401 and additionally authorizes a transfer of \$3,400 from account A5132.472 to account A5010.401.”

**Resolution 365-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan to accept the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

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

Supervisor Fish said that they had received a proposal to provide engineering services for additional south-bound sewer extensions on Route 9 and across the Northway (I-87). Grant funds have been obtained from the State and County to pay for the engineering, he said, so the expense would not be paid for by sewer district or taxpayer dollars. He added that the hope was to expand the service down to include Moreau State Park. He asked the Town Clerk to read a prepared resolution. She read:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the MJ Engineering proposal for the I-87 Commercial District Sanitary Sewer Expansion, in the amount of \$49,500 and authorizes MJ to proceed with the work.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the funds to pay the total engineering costs for this project will be provided by State and County EPG grants that the Town has received.”

**Resolution 366-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan to accept the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

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Supervisor Fish said a favorable Planning Board report had been received for the Potter Road solar project. The Town Clerk read the following resolution:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board declares lead agency for the Seaboard Solar Project at 35 Potter Road, and further resolves to set a public hearing for said project on Tuesday, September 23, 2025 at 7:01 pm.”

**Resolution 367-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan to accept the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

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The Supervisor said BPD Coordinator Westfall had requested to attend a conference which would cover eighteen required training credits. He said Mr. Westfall would have office coverage and would maintain contact with the office during the conference. He asked the Clerk to read a prepared resolution. She read:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes Building, Planning and Development Coordinator, Josh Westfall, to attend the American Planning Association’s 2025 Annual Conference in Rochester, NY from Wednesday, October 8, 2025 through Friday, October 10, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the total cost for the conference is not to exceed \$1,170.72 which includes registration, meals, mileage and two nights stay in Rochester, to be paid from account B8020.4.”

**Resolution 368-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan to accept the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

## **WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT**

Supervisor Fish said that a conversation had taken place with Ferguson Waterworks regarding an update to allow meters to be read. He said the figure was in excess of \$100,000. He continued, saying the Water Superintendent showed the company the issues that were being experienced, to which they responded that the software needed to be updated. The software upgrade, he said, would cost about \$4,200 instead. The Supervisor said the system was updated from 3G to Allegro, he said, and once installed, the meters could be read accurately. Councilmember Stewart said getting accurate readings for the residents was important, and that he favored saving a lot of money by updating software. Councilmember Killian supported this option well. Supervisor Fish said the update was sent during the last administration, but he said he didn't believe the update was presented to the Board to complete by the previous Water Superintendent.

Councilmember Noonan asked if they had spoken to the company about future upgrades they anticipate so it could be budgeted for. Supervisor Fish said when they bought the current system they were told the 3G operating system would be good for 20 years, and after 10 it would be prorated, but then an upgrade came after he left as Water Superintendent, but the upgrade was never done. He said he believed there was a problem with the meters that prompted the update. The consensus was that the readings were being sent too frequently which was using up the batteries. Supervisor Fish said the heads were being replaced as fast as they could with the company providing free heads. He said 40 3G heads were currently in the shop, but since they cannot be read, there was no sense installing them. Councilmember Stewart supported the update. The Town Clerk read:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the purchase of Master Meter Allegro Reading Equipment from Ferguson Waterworks, as a sole source vendor, from the quote dated August 25, 2025 and at a cost not to exceed \$4,263.92, to be paid from account CW8310.4.”

**Resolution 369-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Killian to approve the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

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Supervisor Fish said Superintendent Mechanick was looking to hire a full-time laborer. Currently he has one laborer, he said. Mr. Mechanick had a candidate lined up who was experienced in water and sewer, the Supervisor said, continuing to say that if hired in October, he could be paid using funds not spent in the current year's Department budget. The Supervisor said that when he was the Water Superintendent he had two employees, and that with 200 grinder pumps, there is too much work for Mr. Mechanick and one employee. He

said he would like to set up an interview. Councilmember Stewart said he supported a full-time employee, and asked if this would be a civil service position, to which the Supervisor responded that he did not believe so. He said he would ask Principal Account Clerk Cruz to look into it.

### **SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE**

Supervisor Fish said that Principal Account Clerk Cruz had reached out about a few issues, including that the Town computers need to be upgraded to the Windows 11 operating system. He said support for Windows 10 would end in October. The Town Clerk read the following:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves a Windows 11 upgrade for the Town’s computers by StoredTech, per the September 2, 2025 quote, which includes the replacement of three desktops and increase in RAM, at a cost not to exceed \$8,470.50 to be paid from account A1620.4, and further resolves the transfer of \$8,470.50 from account A1990.4 to A1620.4 for this purchase.”

**Resolution 370-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Killian, seconded by Councilmember Stewart to accept the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

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Regarding health insurance, the Supervisor said they were looking to change carriers. He said the current carrier, CDPHP, would increase its rate 16%, whereas MVP was increasing 8%. The Clerk read the following:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the change of Town health insurance plans from CDPHP to the MVP HMO HDHP Silver 3 (HSA) Plan and further resolves to increase the HRA for the single plan by \$50 and the family plan by \$100.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Town Board authorizes the Supervisor’s Office to engage with Marshall & Sterling to put the new policy in place, effective December 1, 2025.”

**Discussion:** Councilmember Stewart asked if this change could create an issue with union contract employees. It was determined that it would not, because their contract gives the Board the ability to change carriers, and the contract renews the same date as the policy change goes into effect. Councilmember Stewart said he supported the change because he wanted to be able to provide the same level of coverage while considering the cost to taxpayers.

**Resolution 371-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan to accept the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

Supervisor Fish said they were looking to close out a grant obtained by the Town Court for file storage by pre-paying a voucher. The Clerk read:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor’s Office to prepay a voucher for the September Warrant to NYS Industries for the Disabled, Inc., in the amount of \$33,456.75, in order to satisfy the requirements for the JCAP grant which provides those funds.”

**Resolution 372-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan to accept the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

Supervisor Fish said the Town’s new photocopiers were in place and operating well. He said one old copiers was headed to the Recreation Department, two functional copiers would be auctioned, and two others hadn’t worked in years. The Town Clerk read the following resolution:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Town Board declares the following four copiers as surplus for the purpose of recycling and/or auctioning the machines:

Konica Minolta Bizhub C554e (Town ID #0664)  
Toshiba es356 (Town ID #0597)  
DiAlta Copier (Town ID #0250)  
Konica Minolta Bizhub C253 (Town ID #0536).”

**Resolution 373-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan to accept the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

## **ASSESSOR’S OFFICE**

The Supervisor said there were two re-appointments to consider at this meeting, the first of which was Leah Cronin, the Sole Assessor. The Assessor serves 6-year terms, he said. Town Clerk Trombley read:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Town Board hereby reappoints the Sole Assessor, Leah Cronin, to an additional six year term, from October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2031.”

**Resolution 374-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Killian, seconded by Councilmember Stewart to accept the resolution.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

The Town Clerk was asked to read the following:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Town Board hereby reappoints Lisa Ostrander to the Board of Assessment review for a term of five years, from October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2030.”

**Resolution 375-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Killian, seconded by Councilmember Stewart to accept the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

## **MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Supervisor Fish thanked Department Heads for completing the reports monthly, and asked the Clerk to read the following resolution.

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Town Board accepts the Monthly Department Head reports for the Assessor’s Office, Building Department, Highway Department, Transfer Station, Water & Sewer Department and the Town Historian.”

**Resolution 376-2025** 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	Absent
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

## **AIM SERVICES**

Supervisor Fish said AIM Services was planning to put a home at 108 Harrison Avenue, which was determined to be Harrison Place. Councilmember Stewart asked if Town approval was required to allow this to take place. Council stated that technically approval was not required, and he outlined the options before the Board: to approve, to propose an alternative, to object, or to take no action. He said taking no action was the equivalent of an approval. Details of the proposal were that two people would be installed at apartment 2J. Councilmember Stewart and Maureen Dennis stated disabled residents live in various places within the Town and have never come before the Board for approval to their knowledge. Councilmember Noonan suggested taking no action. No action was taken.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Reed Antis asked about financing of the sewer system with a new extension in the works. Supervisor Fish said Extension 5 was complete and under budget, that there was a balance of more than \$10 million on the project. He said there was a \$3.5 million bill on the extension, and a grant to pay for it had not been obtained. He said interest had been paid on the bond for two years, and that after three years, long-term financing was required. Mr. Antis asked how the new extensions would impact the situation. The Supervisor said that ~300 more EDU's should lower the cost per EDU. Councilmember Stewart said the new extension will help the original Extension 5 users. He added that if they could get the line to go as far as the State Park, hopefully the State would contribute to help relieve the debt as well. Mr. Antis asked if this would spur new business development. Councilmember Stewart said it was a long process to go across the bridge at the Northway. Mr. Antis asked if the Industrial Park effluent could go South. Supervisor Fish said it could not. Back on the topic of the Northway crossing, Councilmembers surmised that they could cross at West Road and come close to the State Park.

Nancy Gooley/Ken Trout of 18 Michael Road said they purchased their house in November 2024, and that there have been concerns with neighboring properties for years. Ms. Gooley said owners (Collins) have been to Town Hall due to neglect at the properties located at 14 Michael (Bush) and 16 Michael (Pigeon). She said she had been to Town Hall several times and they were told it takes 30 days to take action and a series of 30 days have passed with a fine issued. She said rodents are coming onto her property. She said the value of her home will be depreciated due to debris five feet high and buildings falling down adjacent to her property. Supervisor Fish said he had seen photos of the site, and that on the agenda at that meeting was an action to take the one case to State Supreme Court. Regarding the Pigeon property, they had a September 24 court date, the Supervisor said. Ms. Gooley said the people at the office said the resident at that property is a nice guy and surveyor. Ms. Gooley said Shiela Itzo, who was with her at the podium, had researched Pigeon extensively. She said she had filed a FOIL request and she will file a civil suit if necessary.

BPD Coordinator Westfall said in this case, Mr. Pigeon had not yet been to court. The Town court date, as stated, is set for 9/24/25, he said. Regarding Bush, Mr. Trout asked how long the process would take. Supervisor Fish wasn't sure how long the process would be because the owner was in jail. Ms. Gooley asked why Mr. Pigeon hadn't been fined. Councilmember Stewart said the court date is when the fine would be issued. Regarding the other property (16 Michael) the Town is out of options, the Councilmember said. Ms. Gooley said she had been told the Town was working on it but nothing has happened yet. She said she thought there was no power to the property because a generator was running all the time. Councilmember Stewart said that if there was no power, the property would be considered uninhabitable and that is something actionable for the Building Department. Ms. Gooley said rats and feral cats were coming into her yard from and that Mr. Pigeon was urinating on her property. Supervisor Fish said his options will be given to him at court and if he doesn't comply he will go to State Supreme Court.

Ms. Itzo said the administration had moved quickly once they were made aware of the situation. She said she felt there was a deaf ear in the Building Department. Councilmember Stewart said there was legislation pending with the potential to speed up the process. Councilmember Killian said the Board doesn't hear about everything.

Supervisor Fish asked Attorney Bruening if the Town had the authority to clean up the property. Counsel said yes, if the homeowner doesn't comply. Councilmember Stewart said the Supervisor will speak with the Code Inspector. Ms. Gooley said the homeowner was arrested for drugs. The Supervisor asked if she had called the police. She said she had, and a sting was set up, but then nothing happens. Ms. Gooley said she would be present for the Town court date on Sept. 24.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### Technology

Councilmember Killian said he had emailed the Board regarding the audio equipment for the Board room. He said an item had been missing from the proposal that was previously accepted by the Board. Councilmember Noonan said the new figure includes a computer to connect to the TV.

**Resolution 377-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Killian, seconded by Councilmember Stewart to amend Resolution 287-2025 (July 8, 2025) to authorize an expenditure of \$5,349.99 from account A1620.401 to purchase and install all necessary equipment for a Board Room display screen from BestBuy.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

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### Recreation

Councilmember Stewart said soccer and Pop Warner were underway, and a South High Marathon Dance (SHMD) fundraiser had taken place the weekend before. He referenced discussion at a previous meeting about the ability to waive fees for field use. She said he would propose considering the charity event a practice to keep the event free of cost. Councilmembers Killian and Noonan expressed support.

Complements were given to the Rec staff despite being very short-handed. Supervisor Fish said a new full-time employee had started and another new hire had declined the offer. He suggested posting for part-time help on the Town website.

**Resolution 378-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan to advertise for part-time Recreation Department staff on the Town's website.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

## **SUPERVISOR'S ITEMS**

**Resolution 379-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Killian, seconded by Councilmember Noonan to authorize Building, Planning and Development Coordinator Westfall to refer 14 Michael Road to the Supreme Court to enforce Town code violations.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

**Discussion:** Councilmember Stewart asked if the homeowner (Bush) was in jail, which was confirmed. The Councilmember asked if the Building Department had been in touch with Mr. Bush in jail. BPD Coordinator Westfall said they had not because they didn't know where he was. Supervisor Fish said they had been told the FBI had picked him up. Ms. Itzo said his wife moved away, and his daughter and her boyfriend had been there, then the daughter then left, leaving the boyfriend living at the property alone. Mr. Westfall said Code Inspector Bachem had visited the property but no one was at home each time. Councilmember Stewart asked if the Supreme Court could make a ruling without the defendant present. Counsel said if Mr. Bush were in State custody he could be reached, and if in Federal custody it would be more difficult. Supervisor Fish said maybe someone at the property could give permission for clean-up. BPD Coordinator Westfall asked the Board how long the department should try to make contact. The Supervisor asked when they had to get on the Supreme Court docket. Counsel said they can ask for relief from the court on the Town's schedule. He added that if the spouse could be located, she could authorize the Town to clean the property.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No executive session was required.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution 380-2025** A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Killian to adjourn the meeting.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Erin Trombley*  
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Town Clerk