

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Moreau was held on April 10, 2012 in the Town of Moreau Office Building, 61 Hudson Street, South Glens Falls, New York.

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

The Town Clerk called the roll.

Town Board Members Present

Robert J. Vittengl, Jr.	Councilman
Bob Prendergast	Councilman
Gina LeClair	Deputy Supervisor/Councilwoman
Todd Kusnierz	Councilman

Town Board Members Absent

Preston Jenkins Supervisor

Also Present: Jeanne Fleury, Town Clerk; Peggy Jenkins, Assessor; Steve Gram, Recreation Director; Paul Joseph, Highway Superintendent; Dan Canfield, Post Star Reporter; Harry G. Gutheil, Jr., Village Resident (entered meeting at 7:25 p.m.); Joe Patricke, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer (entered meeting at 7:25 p.m.); Reed Antis, Town Resident and Alternate Member on the Town Planning Board; Malcolm O'Hara, Attorney for the Town; and Jim Fitzgerald, Animal Control Officer for the Town of Queensbury

Deputy Supervisor LeClair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES

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

March 22nd and March 27th (2 Sets)

MINUTES – MARCH 22, 2012 – TOWN BOARD WORKSHOP RE: HARRY J. BETAR JR. RECREATIONAL PARK

No comments or corrections.

MINUTES – MARCH 27, 2012 – 6:30 P.M. – MONTH-END AUDIT MEETING

No comments or corrections.

MINUTES – MARCH 27, 2012 – 7:00 P.M. – REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

No comments or corrections.

A motion was made by Councilman Prendergast and seconded by Councilman Vittengl to approve the minutes of March 22nd and both sets of minutes for March 27th as prepared.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Councilman Kusnierz	Abstain
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

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FUTURE MEETINGS/WORKSHOPS SCHEDULED

A workshop of the Town Board was scheduled for April 25th at 7:00 p.m. in Town Hall to discuss the Transfer Station relative to hours and days of operation, relocation of the fee booth and loader repairs and to discuss the recreation commission and the possibility of abolishing the commission.

15 MINUTE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Reed Antis asked about the Re-Zoning Committee and where the Town was at with the update to the zoning law.

Councilman Prendergast replied that he brought this up at the last meeting and had planned to meet with Joe Patricke the Building Inspector before now, but due to his work schedule he hasn't been able to. However, he plans to meet with Joe Patricke tomorrow to discuss this topic with him and he will report back at the next regular meeting of the Town Board.

DOG CONTROL OFFICER CONTRACT

Deputy Supervisor LeClair reported that she met with Jim Fitzgerald the Animal Control Officer for the Town of Queensbury and Councilman Prendergast at 6:15 p.m. this date regarding a proposal for shared services with the Town of Queensbury for dog control in the Town of Moreau. She stated that they asked Mr. Fitzgerald to stay for the regular meeting of the Town Board so this proposal could be discussed.

Councilman Prendergast stated that he asked Mr. Fitzgerald to meet with the members of the personnel committee and he did that. He stated that the Town of Moreau has been without a dog control officer for a while now and calls about dogs have been coming in, which means the public desires this service and we need to move quickly on finding a dog control officer. The board has explored different avenues and the board did interview one person for the position. The proposal for shared services between the Town of Moreau and the Town of Queensbury sounds doable to him and if the contract is structured right it could benefit the Town of Moreau and the Town of Queensbury. It we can save money and supply a service that the public expects then we should do it.

Jim Fitzgerald stated that he has been with the Town of Queensbury for four years now. He has reviewed the call volume for the Town of Moreau and he and the Town of Queensbury think they can handle both municipalities. He said that it would be for a 60 day trial period to start and during this time frame they would evaluate whether or not a deputy would be needed. Dangerous dogs are his specialty and he is certified as a professional animal control officer through the national academy. He said that a heavy hand is not needed for enforcement, you just need education. Education is a crucial part of this job. He tries to solve problems by acting as a mediator, at times between neighbors. He said it is very easy to write tickets, but he prefers to try and work with people and point them in the direction of the correct agency to contact to address their particular situation. He also assists the law enforcement agencies.

Councilman Prendergast stated that the board wouldn't be moving forward tonight by authorizing a contract with the Town of Queensbury for dog control services. The board has to discuss the contract with the attorney for Moreau and the board members have to get a sense for themselves of the call volume and who will be authorized to contact Mr. Fitzgerald about dog calls. It does, however, look like the direction that the town wants to move in.

Councilman Kusnierz stated that he was unable to be here for the 6:15 meeting and the meeting couldn't have been held legally anyway, without a full quorum of the board present. He noted that Mr. Fitzgerald was on the list of candidates for the board to interview, but the night of the interviews Mr. Fitzgerald did not show up. He asked Mr. Fitzgerald why he didn't show up for the interview with the board. He also noted that only one person showed up for the interviews. **[Amended 4/24/12 jf]**

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Mr. Fitzgerald explained how he was instructed by Supervisor Stec from the Town of Queensbury not to attend the interview session, because the Town of Queensbury was negotiating with the Town of Moreau for an inter-municipal agreement for shared dog control services.

Councilman Kusnierz noted that the proposed contract refers to the position as animal control and the NYS Agriculture & Markets Law specifically refers to it as dog control officer and he asked how the two differ.

Attorney O'Hara replied that he didn't know if it was delineated in the Agriculture & Markets Law, but for purposes of the Town of Moreau the position will be dog control officer.

Mr. Fitzgerald stated that he would respond to handle and control an incident whether it involved wildlife or whatever and direct the people to the right agency to handle the situation.

Councilman Kusnierz said this could result in added costs to Moreau and we haven't responded to calls for anything other than dogs in the past.

Mr. Fitzgerald said it wouldn't be advertised that he will respond to calls like this, but if a person calls Town Hall and reports that a coyote is in their yard then for safety purposes he would respond, control the situation and then call in DEC to remedy the situation. It also gives the person who called peace of mind.

Councilwoman LeClair said she hoped that Mr. Fitzgerald wouldn't respond to a call about a raccoon that keeps getting into someone's garbage can for three days in a row.

Mr. Fitzgerald replied, no he would not. If a dog is attacked by a coyote then he would respond.

Councilman Kusnierz said he assumes this type of call would not be free and Mr. Fitzgerald replied no.

Councilman Kusnierz asked Mr. Fitzgerald if he saw any changes that needed to be made in the proposed contract and Mr. Fitzgerald replied yes. Councilman Kusnierz asked him to mark up the proposed contract and give the marked up copy to the supervisor.

Mr. Fitzgerald stated that one of the changes involved the fees proposed by Town of Queensbury. It was his understanding that between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. the only fee for his services was going to be mileage. After hours the fee would be \$50.00 per hour, not call as stated in the contract and mileage. This is where the savings to the Town of Moreau will come in. He has to talk to the attorney for Queensbury about these changes.

Councilman Kusnierz stated that our town has never had set hours for dog control.

Mr. Fitzgerald clarified that his services would be 24/7, but the fee of \$50.00 plus mileage would kick in after hours vs. just mileage during the time frame of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. He expects to be able to prioritize calls so that more than one call can be handled in one hour.

Councilman Kusnierz noted that Mr. Fitzgerald mentioned that he would respond to calls about cats and wildlife as a courtesy, but it appears that we would be expanding the workload and reclassifying the title of dog control officer to animal control officer. He would like the position to stay in the realm of dog control officer from a cost perspective. He said there hasn't been an outpouring of requests from the public for animal control.

The Town Clerk advised the board that in all the years she has worked for the town she can't even begin to calculate how many calls her office has received on a daily basis about cats and wildlife, so there has been an outpouring of requests from the public for someone to handle these types of calls.

Councilman Kusnierz asked Mr. Fitzgerald if there was anyone else who assisted him in the Town of Queensbury with dog control and Mr. Fitzgerald replied no, just him. He works under the Building and

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Codes Department and Dave Hadden is his boss. He works with other groups such as, animal rescue groups. He has found these types of groups to be a good resource. There is a provision in the proposed contract for a deputy and if one is needed, to be determined during the trial period, then he has some options in Moreau.

Councilman Kusnierz asked Mr. Fitzgerald how many calls he responds to in Queensbury and Mr. Fitzgerald replied 623.

Mr. Fitzgerald advised that he reviewed the call log for Moreau and it appears that on average one call per day comes into the Town Hall regarding dogs.

Councilman Kusnierz asked Mr. Fitzgerald if as part of his daily routine he patrols and Jim Fitzgerald replied that he does and it helps to show a presence in the community.

Councilman Kusnierz asked Mr. Fitzgerald if he issues tickets for violations or does he look for voluntary compliance and Mr. Fitzgerald replied that he strives for voluntary compliance and issuing tickets only creates animosity. He said a lot of calls are neighbors against neighbors and he tries to remedy the situation by being reasonable. As an example he said that barking dog complaints can sometimes be remedied by suggesting that the owner utilize a dog collar that discourages dogs from barking.

Councilman Kusnierz asked Mr. Fitzgerald what his contracted rate of pay is with the Town of Queensbury and Mr. Fitzgerald replied \$17.65 per hour and time and a half for overtime.

Councilman Kusnierz asked Mr. Fitzgerald how the shared services would work and Mr. Fitzgerald replied that he would be on payroll in Queensbury and when he is in Moreau the Town of Queensbury would be paid for his mileage when it is between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and after hours it would be the \$50.00 per hour plus mileage.

Councilman Kusnierz asked if the benefit to Queensbury would be the reduction in the cost of fuel for their vehicle and Mr. Fitzgerald replied yes and that is a big expense for Queensbury.

Councilman Kusnierz asked Mr. Fitzgerald if he planned to do routine patrols in Moreau and Mr. Fitzgerald replied that he planned on patrolling in Moreau about one hour a day. He planned to fix a couple of problem areas in Moreau first and then it would be on a per call basis. The budget officer for the Town of Queensbury would bill the Town of Moreau for his services by submitting a log of calls and his response, address of the complainant, time of call and response and mileage.

Mr. Fitzgerald noted that he trains animal control officers.

Steve Gram, Recreation Director, asked where dogs that are picked up in Moreau would be taken and Mr. Fitzgerald replied that they would be taken to the Saratoga County Animal Shelter in Ballston Spa, New York. It is a shelter funded by taxpayers. In Queensbury they pay an animal hospital for the first five days of impoundment and then the dog gets sent to the SPCA.

Steve Gram asked why cats wouldn't be included. He said that his department has been providing DCO services for the town and they picked up a cat the other day and it was more vicious than a dog.

Mr. Fitzgerald replied that it would be a big expense to try and control cats and the town would be opening up a can of worms. Warren County contracts with a humane officer to trap cats at a cost of \$6,000.00.

Councilman Prendergast stated that he didn't recall any discussion amongst the board members about a desire for an animal control officer now or ever.

Councilman Prendergast said he wanted to make his feelings known. He personally is not looking to expand these services. Patrolling daily or hourly is an expansion of services. The contract should be

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drafted for on-call services and the board needs to include who can make the calls to the DCO.

Mr. Fitzgerald agreed that patrolling services weren't necessary.

Councilman Kusnierz stated that he was on board with only a DCO role and a reactive role and not a proactive role. He doesn't want a DCO to be proactively looking for violators, whether it be for non-licensing of dogs or whatever.

Mr. Fitzgerald agreed.

Councilman Kusnierz mentioned that the section number 113(2) of the NYS Agriculture & Markets Law wasn't the correct section number, he doesn't think.

Councilwoman LeClair stated that the board members should get their comments to Terry McGuire on the contract.

Councilman Prendergast thought this was a good idea and added that the Town of Queensbury needs to clarify the fee structure.

Councilman Prendergast stated that if this inter-municipal agreement doesn't save taxpayer's dollars then it doesn't make sense to enter into one.

Councilman Kusnierz asked how many calls the Town of Moreau has received in the past year regarding dogs.

The Town Clerk gave him a report on calls logged since the DCO for the town quit. She noted that it is not a complete list, but one that was compiled starting a few days or a week after the DCO left and added that the supervisor's secretary has a couple of pages of calls that she logged that are not included on this list.

Councilman Kusnierz mentioned how the Town Clerk notified the board members that there was an individual who applied for the position of DCO and who was scheduled for an interview and who arrived at his appointed time only to find that the board members had left erroneously, because apparently they didn't know he was coming. He asked if anybody reached out to this person and the response was no. He asked a member of the personnel committee to talk to this individual and find out if he is still interested in the position and if so discuss the position with him and then report back to the full board.

Councilman Prendergast asked Mr. Fitzgerald to convey to the Town of Queensbury Town Board and Mr. Hadden the Town of Moreau's appreciation in his coming here tonight and we hope that we can work something out together.

MAP, PLAN AND REPORT – SISSON ROAD WATER EXTENSION

Deputy Supervisor LeClair reported that Tim Burley the engineer for the town recommends that the Town Board acknowledge receipt of the map, plan and report for Water District 1 Extension 3 and then resolve to be lead agency in the project. He has prepared a resolution establishing lead agency status under SEQRA.

The Town Clerk read the resolution out loud.

A motion was made by Councilman Prendergast and seconded by Councilman Vittengl to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Town of Moreau, hereinafter referred to as the "Town", is proposing to cause to be constructed a water distribution system to serve town residents, businesses, and institutions; and

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WHEREAS, the Town of Moreau Town Board must evaluate all proposed actions submitted for its consideration that may affect the environment in light of the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS, the involved agencies [as that term is defined in 6(A-2) NYCRR 617.2(t)] include the New York State Department of Health and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, and the required environmental review will be conducted concurrently by the Town of Moreau Town Board; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Moreau desires to serve and act as the lead agency for the purposes of SEQR; and

WHEREAS, to aid the Town of Moreau Town Board in determining whether the Action may have a significant impact on the environment, a Full Environmental Assessment Form dated April 4, 2012 has been prepared by the Town and a copy of which has been filed with the Town Clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Board of the Town of Moreau that:

The Town Board makes the following findings and determinations with respect to the proposed project:

The project constitutes a "Type I Action" as that term is defined in Section 6(A-2) NYCRR Section 617.2(kk) and 617.11;

The Town Board of Moreau desires to serve as lead agency for the purposes of SEQR.

The Town Clerk shall cause the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and New York State Department of Health, as other "involved agencies" to be notified of this resolution.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Councilman Kusnierz asked if didn't they have to create the water district extension first before the work is done.

Attorney O'Hara replied yes, but the Town Board has to establish lead agency status first before they can move ahead with the SEQRA review. The Town Board can set a public hearing date on the district extension creation at the next regular meeting of the Town Board.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

AMEND ENGINEERING CONTRACT WATER 1 EXTENSION 2

Burley & Guminiak engineers for the town on the Water District 1 Extension 2 project submitted a proposal for an amendment to their engineering contract with the town as follows:

Additional hours are necessary for construction inspection/observation services based on contractors work schedule resulting in an increase of \$40,000.00 to a new estimated hourly total of \$195,000.00 including M/WBE construction inspection/observation.

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The item design phase expenses were originally estimated at \$7,500.00 and the actual cost is reduced to \$2,917.25.

The modified agreements would read as follows:

Original Amount:	\$664,000.00
Net Change for Prior Amendments:	- \$ 12,366.51
This Amendment Amount:	\$ 35,417.21
Adjusted Agreement Amount:	\$687,050.70

Joe Patricke, Building Inspector, asked why the engineer was changing his scope of services and why are there additional inspections?

Councilman Prendergast suggested the board ask Tim Burley to come in and explain his proposal.

Councilman Kusnierz stated that the board needs more information.

This proposal was tabled.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REQUESTS

Ron Gilligan, CSEA Unit President, for the highway department submitted a request for the highway department to begin the summer four day, ten hour per day, work week starting on Monday, April 30th through Friday, September 28th. There will be two men on call on Fridays to cover any situation that may arise. This coverage will be done by a preset schedule. A copy of the Friday coverage schedule will be made available to the highway superintendent, town supervisor and the highway crew.

A motion was made by Councilman Prendergast and seconded by Councilman Kusnierz to approve the summer four day, ten hour per day, work week for the highway department to begin on April 30th through September 28th.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

Councilman Kusnierz advised Paul Joseph, Highway Superintendent, that he has received several calls from residents along Burt Road in which they requested signs that read slow, children at play and farm tractor crossing signs. He explained where these signs should be erected.

Paul Joseph stated that he called NYS DOT and requested that they consider lowering the speed limit on Burt Road to 40 mph and was told that they would look into it.

Paul Joseph stated that the state tries to defer the children at play signs, because they feel that these signs give children permission to play in the road. They prefer signs that read "we love our children, please drive safely".

The highway superintendent submitted a request to attend the 2012 Highway School in Ithaca, New York, June 11th through the 13th. The registration cost is \$100.00 and he is requesting a \$500.00 cash advance and for meals and lodging to be a proper town charge.

A motion was made by Councilman Prendergast and seconded by Councilman Vittengl authorizing the highway superintendent to attend the 2012 Highway School in Ithaca, New York, June 11th through the

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13th and for the registration cost of \$100.00 and all necessary travel, meals and lodging to be a proper town charge and authorizing a cash advance of \$500.00 to cover travel, meals and lodging.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

The highway superintendent submitted a request to replace the radiator in truck #18, which is a 2003 Freightliner. The radiator cannot be re-cored. The whole unit has to be replaced. The following quotes were obtained:

North Country Radiator	\$798.00
Keystone Automotive	\$850.00
Tracey Freightliner	\$972.45

This expense will be paid out of account DB5130.405 that had a balance of \$20,323.51 as of April 5, 2012.

A motion was made by Councilman Prendergast and seconded by Deputy Supervisor LeClair authorizing the replacement of the radiator in truck #18 by North Country Radiator at a cost not to exceed \$798.00.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Vittengl	Abstain
Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

The highway superintendent submitted a memo to the board members outlining the repairs needed to the 1986 CAT 950 loader as follows:

Hydraulic hoses need replacing before they fail and lose costly fluid.
A hydraulic valve is leaking.
Metal fabrication needs to be done.
Steps and railing used to enter machine are rotted and falling off and need to be repaired to ensure safe operator conditions.

The estimated cost to repair the loader is \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00. The highway department staff can do the repairs on Wednesdays when the transfer station is not using the loader.

Discussion followed on which repairs were priority.

This topic was tabled until later in the meeting.

The highway superintendent submitted a request to advertise the specifications for a ¾ ton pick up with plow and a 1 ½ ton 4x4 cab and chassis with snow plow and multi-purpose dump body. He submitted specifications for the board members to review. These vehicles would be purchased out of account DB5130.2 that had a balance of \$196,240.99 as of April 4, 2012.

The highway superintendent stated that these vehicles are not on the OGS contract.

Councilman Kusnierz asked what other equipment remains to be purchased out of this account.

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Paul Joseph replied a couple of small items and the Gradall just purchased for \$65,000.00 will be paid out of this account.

Councilman Prendergast made the motion authorizing the highway superintendent to go out to bid for these vehicles.

Harry Gutheil asked if the vehicles were going to be gas or diesel.

Paul Joseph replied that the vehicles were going to have diesel engines, because we keep them for up to 10 years.

Councilman Prendergast said the board had a discussion previously about diesel engines. He asked about maintenance on diesel engines and Paul Joseph replied that maintenance on diesel engines is less. Councilman Prendergast stated that the board was told that years ago and it turned out not to be true.

Councilman Kusnierz stated that he wouldn't have a problem going out to bid with specifications for vehicles with gasoline engines, but with the increased cost of diesel engines and the cost of diesel fuel it isn't economically feasible to do this.

Councilman Prendergast asked Paul Joseph if he could go out to bid both ways and Paul replied yes. He said he would amend his motion to include diesel and gasoline engines in these vehicles.

Councilman Kusnierz asked Paul Joseph if the specifications as they were written would allow all major manufacturers to meet the specifications.

Paul Joseph replied that he believed they did.

Councilman Kusnierz asked Paul if he needs telescoping/heated extendable exterior mirrors and Paul replied usually heated mirrors come with telescopic as a package.

Councilman Vittengl asked what trucks these would be replacing and if they were similar trucks and Paul Joseph replied yes.

Councilman Vittengl asked what they would do with the two trucks being replaced.

Paul Joseph replied that the body on the dump truck is almost shot and the body on the 1998 Chevy is rotted through so they will be sold.

Councilman Kusnierz asked if they bid the snowplow separately is there a possibility that the bid would come in lower.

Paul Joseph replied that in talking with other towns they found that package deals were the way to go.

Councilman Kusnierz stated that in his opinion the specifications were tightly written. He said they don't need to specify what type of radio. He doesn't have a problem going out to bid, but when the bids come in, if he finds out that only one manufacturer can bid on these vehicles then he will ask that the bids be rejected and that we start all over again. We have an obligation to make sure that we give as many people as possible the chance to get in on the action and the taxpayers benefit from it every time.

Councilman Vittengl seconded the motion.

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Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Councilman Vittengl	Yes

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Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

RECREATION DEPARTMENT REQUESTS

A request was received from Steve Gram, Recreation Director, to purchase backstop fencing for field #1 with 56 feet long, 16' high, 9 guage chain link fence.

He received the following quotes:

Tri-County Fence Co.	\$2,050.00
Afsco Fence Supply Co.	\$3,350.00
Adirondack Fence	\$2,575.00

This purchase would be made out of account HP7180.2 that has a balance of \$56,800.00.

Councilman Kusnierz asked Steve Gram why he couldn't straighten the fence and re-secure it to the bottom rail and Steve Gram replied that all three fence companies told him that it wouldn't hold, that once the fence is bent it can't be reshaped.

A rather lengthy discussion followed on how the fence could be straightened and re-secured.

Councilman Vittengl made the motion to purchase fencing from Tri-County Fence at a cost not to exceed \$2,050.00 to replace the fencing in the backstop of field #1 and for the recreation director to make sure that the fencing in the backstops of the other fields where it is bent up is straightened, pulled down and re-secured and that this work be a priority in the recreation department.

Councilwoman LeClair seconded the motion.

Councilwoman LeClair suggested there be signs installed that prohibits people from using the backstop fencing as a batting cage.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Kusnierz	No**
Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Councilman Prendergast	Yes *
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

*Councilman Prendergast explained his vote by saying that it is a safety issue the fence is where children play. This will fix it for good.

**Councilman Kusnierz explained his vote by saying that he wasn't saying that it wasn't a safety issue he was saying that it can be repaired and the safety issue can be addressed much more cost effectively.

Councilman Vittengl asked Steve Gram to make sure that the fencing in the backstop areas of the other fields is addressed as a priority and done before the season starts.

Steve Gram said he will try.

Councilman Vittengl told Steve Gram that he didn't ask him to try. He wants it covered up so nothing sharp is exposed.

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Councilman Kusnierz said he was concerned that if they move forward in this direction and there are the same exact situations with the other fencing then it will only compound the cost if we go this route with all the fencing so we have to find a way to address those issues at a cheaper cost.

The recreation director submitted a request to hire the following people for employment in the recreation department for the summer season:

Employee's Name	2011 Rate	2012 Rate	Title of Position	Pre-Employment Physical Needed Yes or No
Kevin Dickinson		\$8.50 hr	Seasonal Full Time Laborer	No
Gary Plimpton	\$8.50 hr	\$8.67 hr	Seasonal Full Time Laborer	No
Gary Plimpton		\$10.00 hr	Daytime Sports Specialist	No
Kelly Styczynski	\$8.67 hr	\$8.84 hr	Lifeguard	No
Johanna Williams	\$8.50 hr	\$8.67 hr.	Lifeguard	No

A rather lengthy discussion followed on the idea of having children participate in an arts and crafts program through the Moreau Community Center this summer rather than through our recreation department. The reason for this was that last year there were times when either no children showed up for the town's program or there may have only been one child. It doesn't behoove the town to pay someone to run the program if there aren't enough participants. Discussion followed on who would have oversight of the program through the Moreau Community Center and who would pay the instructors. It was the consensus that we should either run our own program and pay our own instructors or turn the whole program over to the Moreau Community Center and let them run it and pay their instructors. If we run our own program and there aren't enough participants then we should discontinue the program.

A motion was made by Councilman Prendergast and seconded by Councilman Vittengl authorizing the hiring of the above seasonal employees at the hourly rates specified.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

WATER DEPARTMENT REQUESTS

None

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REQUEST

Joe Patricke, Building Inspector, requested permission for the assistant building inspector, Duane Miller, to attend a New York State Code Enforcement Training class May 1st through 3rd and for all necessary expenses for mileage and meals to be a proper town charge.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

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TRANSFER STATION

A workshop was scheduled at the beginning of the meeting for April 25th at 7:00 p.m. in Town Hall to discuss the transfer station hours and days of operation, loader repairs and the proposal to move the fee booth.

APPROVE PURCHASE OF MATERIALS FOR COMMUNITY GARDEN BEDS

Quotes were submitted to the board members for the purchase of lumber and screws for the construction of community garden beds as follows:

Curtis Lumber	\$30.38 per bed plus \$52.98 for screws and delivery of materials
Lowe's	\$38.10 per bed plus \$102.48 for screws and delivery of materials
Home Depot	\$37.63 per bed plus \$104.48 for screws and delivery of materials

This expense will be paid out of account A7140.4 that had a balance of \$51,876.11.

April 22nd is volunteer day in the Harry J. Betar Jr. Recreational Park when the community garden beds will be put together.

In the discussion on this purchase it was mentioned that recreation personnel will assist in putting the garden beds together and Councilman Kusnierz stated that he was not in agreement with town personnel assisting in this. He stated that the purpose of waiving the fees this year for the beds was to peak interest in the program and the town was going to cover the cost of the materials for the beds, but it was never his intention to have town personnel put the beds together. That was the responsibility of the people who signed up for beds. The recreation personnel can drop the compost material at the bed sites, but it is up to the people to do the rest of the work.

Deputy Supervisor LeClair stated that the total cost for 19 beds would be \$577.92 plus \$52.98 for screws and delivery of the materials for a grand total of \$630.20 if they went with the quote from Curtis Lumber.

Following discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Vittengl and seconded by Councilman Kusnierz authorizing the purchase of lumber and screws at a cost not to exceed \$650.00 including delivery from Curtis Lumber for community garden beds.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

STANDARD WORK DAY RESOLUTION FOR NEW YORK STATE RETIREMENT

RESOLVED, that the Town of Moreau Town Board hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of the Town of Moreau.

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TITLE	NAME	STANDARD WORK DAY (HRS/DAY)	TERM BEGINS/ENDS	PARTICIPATES IN EMPLOYER'S TIME KEEPING SYSTEM (Y/N)	DAYS/MONTHS (BASED ON RECORD OF ACTIVITIES)
Elected Officials					
Supervisor	Preston L. Jenkins, Jr.	7	1/1/12-12/31/13	N	17.2
Councilwoman	Gina LeClair	6	1/1/12-12/31/15	N	8
Councilman	Robert J. Vittengl, Jr.	6	1/1/12-12/31/15	N	3.6
Appointed Officials					
Assessor	Margaret Jenkins	7	10/1/07-09/30/13	N	29.86

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

PROCLAMATION – BRUCE ABARE'S RETIREMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Prendergast and seconded by Councilman Vittengl to adopt the following proclamation:

WHEREAS, the Town of Moreau would like to recognize Bruce Abare who has been employed with the Town of Moreau since April 1992, and

WHEREAS, Bruce Abare started out working in the Recreation Department in April of 1992 as a seasonal employee until April 4, 1994 when he was appointed a permanent full-time employee until August 3, 2006 when he started working at the Transfer Station, and

WHEREAS, Bruce Abare retired from the Town of Moreau on April 4, 2012, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Moreau Town Board wishes to express their sincere appreciation to Bruce Abare for his years of service to the Town of Moreau

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

15 MINUTE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Reed Antis asked for an update on the sewer system at the South Glens Falls Beach.

Councilman Vittengl advised that they were working with the engineer on it and they were also waiting on NYS DOH to approve it.

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Harry Gutheil asked what account the purchase of equipment for the new highway garage was being paid out of. He understood that it was the landfill betterment fund and that it can't come out of that fund. He asked for someone to get back to him with the answer to this question or he was going to the state comptroller.

Harry Gutheil questioned the price of \$900.00 that was approved previously for the purchase of a refrigerator for the highway building.

Councilman Prendergast asked Harry Gutheil what he thought the town should have paid for one, \$100.00?

Harry Gutheil replied no, but someplace in between that and \$900.00. He said he buys refrigerators all the time for his apartments and doesn't pay anywhere near \$900.00.

Harry Gutheil asked when the town plans to sever the water connection between Fenimore (Water District 1) and the Village of South Glens Falls and connect Water District 1 to the town's water source.

The board members did not have an answer to this question.

Harry Gutheil asked if the parging of the knee walls at the new highway garage was necessary or for aesthetics and mentioned the price of \$5,200.00.

Councilman Prendergast said the board could revisit this.

Harry Gutheil asked if the developers of the apartment complexes that are hooking up to the sewer line that runs from the industrial park to Glens Falls are paying fees for hook up to the sewer and if so what fund are these fees going into. He said they should be going into the general fund.

Councilman Prendergast advised Harry Gutheil that the board would have to get back to him with the answers to all of these questions. He suggested that in the future if Harry had questions that he provide them to the board in advance of the meetings so the board could find out answers to his questions before the meetings and provide him answers.

Harry Gutheil asked the board to get back to him with the answers to his questions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

SUPERVISOR'S ITEMS

A request was received from Jesse Fish, Water Superintendent, for permission to attend a training class April 18th and 19th with Earl Ruff, Assistant Water Superintendent, to obtain credits for their licenses and for the registration cost of \$160.00 for both to be a proper town charge.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

The South Glens Falls Fire Company requested to use the town's parking lot at the Route 197 building June 21st and 22nd.

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When Councilman Prendergast asked what they were using it for Steve Gram replied that he thought it was for their firemen's convention.

A motion was made by Councilman Prendergast and seconded by Councilwoman LeClair authorizing the South Glens Falls Fire Company to utilize the town's parking lot on Route 197 for the above dates.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

Deputy Supervisor LeClair stated that the company she works for is remodeling their offices and they have some nice chairs that we may be able to use at our new municipal complex when it is built and she wanted to know if the board members wanted rec. or highway to pick them up. It would be a donation to the town, no charge for the chairs. Some are located at the Queensbury office and some at the Latham and Troy offices. The board members did not object to this offer.

The repairs needed to the loader were discussed again. Following discussion it was the consensus to replace the steps and rails and two main hoses for now and to authorize an amount of \$1,000.00 for the repairs.

Councilman Prendergast made a motion authorizing repair to the steps and rails and two main hoses on the loader at the transfer station at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.00.

Discussion followed on what account this expense would be paid out of. It was noted that there was only \$2,000.00 in TS8160.4.

Action on the loader repairs was tabled until the board could determine which account it would be paid out of.

Councilman Prendergast withdrew his motion.

A motion was made by Councilman Prendergast and seconded by Councilman Kusnierz to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m.

Roll call vote resulted as follows:

Councilman Vittengl	Yes
Councilman Prendergast	Yes
Councilman Kusnierz	Yes
Supervisor Jenkins	Absent
Deputy Supervisor LeClair	Yes

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Fleury
Town Clerk

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