

The meeting was held in person and called to order by the Supervisor at 7:03 p.m. with an attendance roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

ALSO PRESENT:	Erin Trombley	Town Clerk
	Brian Reichenbach	Town Counsel
	Elizabeth Bennett	Supervisor's Confidential Secretary
	Jeffrey Cruz	Principal Account Clerk
	Reed Antis	Town Historian
	Jeremy Brogan	Recreation Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Harry Gutheil, Michelle Smith, Richie Wiltshire, Maureen Dennis, Alex Portal (Post-Star)

FUTURE MEETINGS/UPCOMING EVENTS

Supervisor Fish said that on July 9th there would be a Concert in the Park sponsored by the Town featuring Electric City Horns from 6:00-8:00 PM at the gazebo on First Street in South Glens Falls, and that the event would feature Coach's Corner food truck.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Town Historian Reed Antis said the Village (South Glens Falls) Museum would be open from 5:00 PM until the end of the concert. The museum is in the building to the right of the gazebo when entering the parking area from First Street.

Mr. Antis also announced a new Historian's Facebook page called "The Great Carrying Place."

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

"Be it resolved that the Town Board accepts and approves the minutes for the Month-End Audit meeting on June 24, 2025 as submitted." She indicated Councilmember Killian had been absent.

Resolution 277-2025 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.

OLD BUSINESS

Supervisor Fish Said that at the previous meeting, the Board approved a lease with Electronic Office Products (EOP). He said figures had been submitted by the two companies the Town already worked with, and that after

the meeting, it had come to their attention that one of the purchase quotes presented was incorrect, though the lease prices were correct. The Supervisor invited Principal Account Clerk (PAC) Cruz to address the Board about what happened and to explain other details.

PAC Cruz said the purchase price figures presented to the Board for Seeley Office Systems (SOS) were miscalculated, making Electronic Office Products' price look significantly less expensive. After re-running the numbers, Mr. Cruz said the figures were much closer, with EOP's price less than SOS's by a few dollars per month. Since the last meeting, he said Kurt Seeley provided a new quote for three machines with no monthly charge for the third machine. Based on that new quote, Mr. Cruz said SOS is offering a better price, but EOP had not submitted a new quote in response, and another vendor had reached out about submitting a quote. PAC Cruz offered the Board three choices: do nothing, accept SOS's new bid, or reject all the offers and start the process again.

Councilmember Killian asked if there was any rush to make the decision. Mr. Cruz said there was not, except that Kurt Seeley had said his price may increase if a decision was not made soon due to external factors. Councilmember Noonan said they should start the process again and asked if Mr. Cruz had been happy with SOS's services. Mr. Cruz said SOS services the copier between the Town Clerk and Supervisor's office, and the machine between the Assessor's office and the Building Department, and he had not heard of any issues. He said EOP services the machine in the Supervisor's office and they had no issues either. Councilmember Donohue said the vendors should re-bid because there was some confusion and perhaps the vendors would "sharpen their pencils." Councilmember Stewart agreed. Supervisor Fish asked if the Town was considering a lease or purchase for the new machines. Mr. Cruz said he favored the lease because the cost is lower, and because the Town keeps their equipment a long time. He said an updated machine can be delivered on lease renewal. The Board agreed with his assessment.

Resolution 278-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to rescind resolution 272-2025 regarding the copier machine lease.

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

Supervisor Fish said they would introduce two new local laws, and that public hearings needed to be set pending any changes the Board may ask for in the meeting. Councilmember Stewart stated that proposed Local Law 9 was in draft form, and not in final form to put out to the public. Attorney Reichenbach said Attorney Bruening could provide the copy the following day. Councilmembers Killian and Noonan indicated that they thought the content of the law would be discussed before setting a hearing, but BPD Coordinator Westfall and Attorney Bruening were not present at the meeting. Councilmember Stewart said they hadn't heard about some suggested changes Councilmember Noonan had emailed about. The consensus of the Board was to decline to set a public hearing for proposed Local Law 9 of 2025.

The Board also declined to set a hearing for Local Law 10 of 2025.

WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT

Resolution 279-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Killian to approve Water Superintendent Mechanick and Sewer Laborer Parish to attend the Adirondack Water Works Conference on June 23, 2025 at a cost of \$75 per person.

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

Supervisor Fish asked the Clerk to read a resolution. She read:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes a payment to the Saratoga Regional YMCA for three lifeguard certifications, charged at \$450 each, and one waterfront only certification, charged at \$75, totaling \$1,425 to be paid out of account A7310.4.”

Resolution 280-2025 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.

Supervisor Fish asked the Clerk to read a resolution to hire two more lifeguards, allowing the Sand Bar Beach to open. She read:

“Be it resolved that Charles Stidd and Asher Martens be hired as lifeguards for the Recreation Department, and shall be compensated at the rate of \$20 per hour, pending successful completion of a background check and pre-employment physical.”

Resolution 281-2025 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 explained that the Town had received a \$10,000 grant for bathroom upgrades in 2024, and Recreation Director Brogan was looking to complete the upgrades. He asked the clerk to read a prepared resolution. She read:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes the remaining \$9,500 from the 2024 Saratoga County Economic Development Grant, to be designated for the purpose of bathroom upgrades at the Rec. Park; and be it further resolved that the Rec. Director shall follow the Town’s procurement policy and provide the required competitive documentation to the Town Board, for approval, prior to purchase being made.”

Resolution 281-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to approve 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.

Discussions:

Pop Warner Lights

Supervisor Fish said Recreation Director Brogan wanted to discuss the subject of lighting the fields to extend field use time to closer to park closure for Pop Warner. Councilmember Noonan asked how other municipalities handle it. Mr. Brogan replied that Saratoga charges \$50 to turn on the lights, and Malta charges \$65/\$75 and that that actual additional cost to the Town cannot be calculated due to the way the lighting is set up. He suggested it could be more advantageous to turn on just two lights instead of all the lights. Councilmember Killian asked about the voltage at the bowl and whether it was three-phase and said he can take a look at the setup at the park on the following Thursday afternoon. Mr. Brogan said lights will allow play to continue until 7:30 p.m. and the teams will still be out of the park by dark. Councilmember Stewart questioned if the rate was low enough, saying the park is open, Pop Warner is already is paying to use the fields, and the Town lighting equipment is antiquated. He pointed out that there’s no charge for lighting for sledding and skating in the winter. He suggested asking what the team can afford. Councilmember Killian said the actual cost for the power is not that much.

Little League

Rec. Director Brogan said the Little League wants to expand to include older kids and use the Legion field. Mr. Brogan asked if they need a separate contract and insurance or if they could amend the existing contract. He said it is 100% South Glens Falls kids now and with expansion, some kids may come from neighboring towns. He said in other towns there is a percentage of local kids required for a league to get a discounted rate. Councilmember Stewart asked if South Glens Falls Youth Baseball had a contract. The response was no. The Councilmember suggested amending the contract and asked if only the Hurricanes use the field currently, which Mr. Brogan

confirmed. Councilmember Stewart asked if any discussion had taken place about field use. Mr. Brogan said he had not discussed it because he wanted to be sure it would be acceptable to the Board first. Councilmember Stewart said he made clear to the Little League that the Hurricanes had an established relationship, and that the Town was not looking to push them out. Board members said they would wait for a recommendation from Director Brogan on how to rent the field. The same person would be scheduling the new team and the Hurricanes, Mr. Brogan said, so there would never be a scheduling conflict.

Councilmember Noonan said Jack Hill and the Hurricanes are a true nonprofit and have given a lot. He asked if someone had spoken to Jack about it. Mr. Brogan said Jack was looking to taper off the Hurricanes and that they have no practices. He said the Hurricanes would have first dibs on fields for games. Councilmember Killian asked if the Hurricanes had a different percentage of local kids. Mr. Brogan said the girls' teams have no required percentage of locals to fall under Little League, and the boys currently do not either. Councilmember Killian asked about their ability to use a batting cage, to which Mr. Brogan responded that the Legion field has its own, and said he would like to establish standards regarding local participant percentages. Councilmember Stewart recommended they follow the South Glens Falls Youth Baseball standards.

SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE

Adirondack Balloon Festival

The Supervisor said that in 2024 the Town placed an ad for the Balloon Festival for \$500. For the same \$500, the Town could get a half-page color ad for 2025, he said. Town Clerk Trombley read the following resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes the expenditure of \$500 as budgeted in account A6410.4 payable to the Adirondack Balloon Festival for a print advertisement.”

Resolution 282-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to approve 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.

Adirondack Regional Chamber of Commerce

The Clerk read the following resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes a payment to the Adirondack Regional Chamber of Commerce, for annual membership dues in the amount of \$445 to be paid from account A1620.401.”

Resolution 283-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Killian to accept the resolution.

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 HEAD REPORTS

The Supervisor asked the Town Clerk to read the following resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board accepts the Department Head Monthly reports for the following: Assessor’s Office; Building, Planning and Development Office; Dog Control Officer; Highway Department; Recreation Department; Transfer Station; Water & Sewer Department.”

Resolution 284-2025 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.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Reed Antis said there was no printer in the Town building where he works with Mr. Brogan, that they had been using Mr. Brogan’s personal equipment, and he inquired about the Town obtaining a printer for their use.

Mr. Antis also said under Supervisor Congdon he had been the “Electric Czar” – he said the Town should attempt to not exceed 10,000 kWh per month for any two months, particularly in January-March because if the Town exceeds that threshold for two consecutive months, the Town is charged a higher rate for its power. He suggested an electric use audit.

Photos of a tree in the Olmstead cemetery were emailed to the Board, Mr. Antis said. In this cemetery the trees are near the perimeter, and at this and at Rice cemetery, trees need to be removed, he said. Mr. Antis asked if the Head Start was still operating out of the Annex Building, and if they still were paying rent. The Supervisor said they are.

Regarding the copier issue, Confidential Secretary Bennett suggested that the copier in the Supervisor’s office could go to the office of the Recreation Director and Historian because the Town owns it, and a new machine would replace it once the contract details are settled.

Maureen Dennis stated that the June water & sewer bills should be arriving any time, and asked if they would be calculated based on the new EDU rate. The Supervisor indicated that he believed they would. Ms. Dennis asked if she could get a response to her April FOIL request which pertained to EDU assignments. She said she had attempted to send information to the Board members by email and they all came back because the files were too large.

Ms. Dennis asked if someone at the Town could stop former Town Historian Brigid Martin from publishing on Facebook and in the local papers. She said October 2023 remarks by the previous Supervisor stand unedited, and that Ms. Martin is acting on them as if they were factual. When Ms. Martin was served papers for

defamation, she wouldn't touch the documents, according to Ms. Dennis, and said she wants her to cease and desist because Schermerhorn Real Estate Holdings does not owe fees. Mr. Antis reminded the Board that Mr. Schermerhorn installed a loop around Harrison and had gone above and beyond what was required. Supervisor Fish said a 12-inch water line with hydrants on Bluebird Road and a redundant water source had been installed by Mr. Schermerhorn, which increased fire protection for one of Mr. Schermerhorn's properties.

Councilmember Donohue said the Board only expects any developer to pay what is owed. Ms. Dennis said that Extension 5 did not pay its fair share. Councilmember Donohue said they were investigating all fees paid using information Ms. Dennis had provided, and suggested that they do not need to discuss it every other Tuesday at Town Board meetings. Ms. Dennis said she had been asking for a resolution on the issue for 30 months and asked how much longer it would take to resolve. Councilmember Stewart said he had asked for a timeframe for resolution himself earlier that day. He said the following week they were set to meet with the Town's attorney for clarification on the information the Board has received. Councilmember Donohue acknowledged the quantity of materials provided by Ms. Dennis and said it takes time to go through everything. Councilmember Stewart said they need structure from Counsel so they can answer questions, and that Attorney Bruening would reach out to Ms. Dennis. Councilmember Donohue said they want to be as transparent as possible because of public opinion, and that in the end a summary will be provided to the public explaining everything they had decided to do and why. Councilmember Stewart said he had suggested engaging a special counsel to address this topic alone but that it was not supported. He said they were assured by Counsel that they could handle it. He agreed that major allegations had been made and said he wants to clear the record because he couldn't believe the allegations and that an investigation was never held to clear them.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilmember Stewart said money that had been spent at the Rec. Park cleaning after projects had not been budgeted for. He said equipment valued at about \$20,000 had been auctioned off a few years prior and the proceeds were put into the general fund. The Councilmember said he would like to see some of those funds moved over to Recreation to avoid spending the remainder of the department budget in July. He added that the playground equipment that was ordered had been budgeted for, but the labor to install the equipment had not.

Councilmember Donohue said some of the big pieces were delayed in shipping and some had arrived, and asked if the community could assist with the installation. Mr. Brogan said two pieces had arrived and the largest were expected in September. Ms. Dennis said volunteers had installed the playground at Derby Park in Hudson Falls. Councilmember Stewart suggested making a plan to schedule staff with overtime to install the smaller pieces in the meantime.

Mr. Brogan raised the topic of bringing the Greenjackets to the Recreation Park Bowl for the remainder of their season, and perhaps into the future. He said they had lost their previous venue. Councilmember Noonan asked about staff having to fix the field after the team plays because other sports use the bowl at the same time of year and in his experience, the Greenjackets damage playing fields. He added that the Glens Falls City School District ended their arrangement for reasons that need to be avoided in the future. Mr. Brogan said the team is looking for a venue for two practices and five games.

Councilmember Stewart said bringing events to the Bowl is good and the damage can be fixed. He said the Greenjackets are a well-established organization, but the Town doesn't have the budget for extra supplies and staff. He suggested renting to them one time to see what would happen, and that Mr. Brogan suggest they practice elsewhere. He also said the team should tell the Town how they plan to staff and line the fields, etc. Their next game was set for July 27, so the Board decided to discuss it again at the next Board meeting.

SUPERVISOR'S ITEMS

Meadow Drive Update

The Supervisor said the last 400 feet of the 1,200-foot drainage pipe replacement project is complete, including the surface drainage pipe that was above the failed drainage pipe on Meadow Drive. He said the total cost to date was \$671,000. He said the contractor had given the Town the option to pay for materials directly to the vendors to save a 15% fee. Councilmember Noonan asked why there is a markup on the materials, and mentioned there was still no discussion about how to pay for the whole project. The Supervisor explained that if Kubricky was to pay the bills and get reimbursed, there would be a surcharge of 15%. Councilmember Stewart said if they had specific bills they can pay with no fee, it was a “no-brainer” to go ahead and pay. He continued saying he knew there had been regular check-ins, and in the end it could be \$1 million and they still did not have a determination about how the bill would be paid. He asked if the district will pay, and if the district would be expanded.

Supervisor Fish said they had explored many potential sources of grant and other funds to help pay for a drainage project and they had not found anything, but would continue to search. Councilmember Stewart asked what additional information the Board could want to make the decision, and that letters needed to be sent to affected homeowners soon. He said he favored expanding the district to all homes currently benefiting from the drainage district, and said the district should pay. Meadow Drive itself would be exempt because it has its own drainage, he said. The current project, he pointed out, is only one part of a network of thousands of feet of aging pipe like the one being replaced now. The Supervisor indicated that he agreed. Councilmember Stewart said the Board needs to say it, and get the Town engineers and BPD Coordinator Westfall together to determine who benefits. He added that the Town is not required to keep basements dry. He said he believed they should hire MJ Engineering to do the calculations. Councilmembers Donohue and Killian indicated agreement.

Supervisor Fish, regarding the question of paying for materials directly, said they would look to see if any of the materials were under state contract. Councilmember Donohue said he had been to the Kubricky office and seen that all the records were in order. He said that he had been invited to take a look at anything he wanted to see.

Water Rates

Supervisor Fish said the Town attorney would meet the following week to review the water rate materials related to the Schermerhorn Holdings matter so they could have an answer for the next meeting.

Board Room Technology

Councilmember Killian said the large display screen with installation he had been pricing for the Board room had been challenging since some of the prices were only valid for 10 days, and only one vendor, BestBuy, had everything they needed in one location. Their quote of \$3,814 would be valid for two weeks, he said, and that Walmart’s price of \$1,400 did not include everything, and Target’s \$748 quote was for the screen only. Councilmember Stewart said they had been discussing this for some time, and he felt comfortable moving forward with BestBuy at Councilmember Killian’s recommendation

Resolution 287-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to authorize a sum not to exceed \$4,000 for complete installation of all the necessary equipment from BestBuy to be paid from account A1620.401.

Discussion: Councilmember Donohue said it was about time, and that it was embarrassing that presentations have to be done on paper being held up for the Board to see.

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

Councilmember Donohue	Aye
Councilmember Killian	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Moreau was held at 7:00 p.m. on July 8, 2025 at the Moreau Municipal Building, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, Saratoga County, New York.

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 5:0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was required.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 286-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, 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 8:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Erin Trombley
Erin Trombley, Town Clerk