

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Moreau was held on February 25, 2020 in the Town of Moreau Municipal Building, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, New York.

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

The Town Clerk called the roll.

Town Board Members Present

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

Town Board Members Absent

None

Also present: Leeann McCabe, Town Clerk; Karla Buettner, Attorney for the Town; Paul Joseph, Highway Superintendent; Jesse Fish, Water Superintendent; Peter Olesheski, Recreation Leader; Brigid Martin, Town Historian; Kathleen Moore, Post Star Reporter; Town Residents: Dominic Tom, Pat Killian, Reed Antis, Terry Donohue; Village Residents: Tim & Deb Buckley, Dennis Davall, Peggy Jenkins and K. Lange; Marc Weatherill, Boralex;

The Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from January 28, 2020 (2 sets) and the minutes from February 11, 2020 (3 sets of public hearing minutes) were presented to the Town Board for their review, comment, correction and approval.

Resolution #2020-114

A motion was made by Councilman Hogan, seconded by Councilman Donohue and carried, to approve the minutes from January 28, 2020 (2 sets) as prepared.

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

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

Resolution #2020-115

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Hogan and carried, to approve the minutes from February 11, 2020 (3 sets of public hearing minutes) as prepared.

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

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

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SET FUTURE MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS

No meetings were scheduled at this time.

LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2020 – MORATORIUM ON GROUND-MOUNTED SOLAR SYSTEMS

The Supervisor stated that the purpose of this Local Law is to extend the moratorium on Ground-Mounted Solar. Attorney Buettner stated that a public hearing had been held and that this is a type 2 action, which is exempt from SEQRA. The Supervisor asked the Town Clerk to read the following resolution aloud:

RESOLUTION
TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF MOREAU

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW 1 OF 2020, EXTENDING THE MORATORIUM OF CHAPTER 75 “A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON PERMITS FOR AND INSTALLATION OF GROUND-MOUNTED SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS AND LARGE-SCALE SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS WITHIN THE TOWN OF MOREAU” TO THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOREAU

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Moreau (“Board”) is considering the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2020, which would, if adopted, would extend Chapter 75 “A Temporary Moratorium on Permits For and Installation of Ground-Mounted Solar Energy Systems and Large-Scale Solar Energy Systems Within the Town of Moreau” to the Code of the Town of Moreau for an additional one hundred eighty (180) days, and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that in order to provide for the health, safety and welfare of Town residents and property owners, and in the best interest of the future of the Town, and in particular to permit the Town the necessary time in which to review its current Zoning Code in conjunction with the recently-adopted Comprehensive Land Use Plan, it is necessary to extend Chapter 75 “A Temporary Moratorium on Permits For and Installation of Ground-Mounted Solar Energy Systems and Large-Scale Solar Energy Systems Within the Town of Moreau” to the Code of the Town of Moreau for an additional one hundred eighty (180) days; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2020 is in the best interests of the Town and is necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents and property owners and in particular to permit the Town the necessary time in which to review its current Zoning Code in conjunction with the recently-adopted Comprehensive Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the adoption of Local Law No. 1 of 2020 is a necessary and proper exercise of authority by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the authority for the enactment of this local law is found in Section 10(1)(i) of the Municipal Home Rule Law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, a public hearing on the proposed adoption of Local Law No. 1 was properly noticed in the newspaper and posted, and was duly conducted on February 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Municipal Complex, and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the public comments made at the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 6NYCRR 617.5(c)(36) the adoption of Local Law 1 of 2020, as a moratorium, is a Type 2 action not subject to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, after thorough review and deliberation, the Board proposes to adopt Local Law No. 1 of 2020; and

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WHEREAS, the Saratoga County Planning Board has issued a determination of no significant county-wide or intercommunity impact associated with this moratorium; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney for the Town has prepared the necessary documents for filing this local law with the Secretary of State including the text of the law itself;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby adopts Local Law No. 1 of 2020, annexed hereto, which extends Chapter 75 “A Temporary Moratorium on Permits For and Installation of Ground-Mounted Solar Energy Systems and Large-Scale Solar Energy Systems Within the Town of Moreau” to the Code of the Town of Moreau for a period of one-hundred eighty (180) days; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the Town Clerk and the Attorney for the Town to make such minor modifications to the local law documents as they deem necessary and thereafter are directed to execute and file the said documents as required by law and to take all the necessary action for the promulgation thereof.

Resolution #2020-116

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, to adopt the foregoing resolution as read into the record by the Town Clerk.

The Supervisor stated that there has been concern over the length of the moratorium being 180 days. He stated that just because they're setting it for 180 days doesn't mean they'll need the full 180 days.

Attorney Buettner stated that with the current zoning, Ground-Mounted Solar is only allowed in the industrial zones. They aren't allowed in any other zone. She stated that by extending the moratorium, it will allow the Town Board time to make a decision. She didn't think that it would take the full six months. She commented on Ground-Mounted Solar laws in other Towns and stated that other laws may not work for the Town of Moreau. She too stated that if they come up with a new local law within 180 days, it will rescind this local law.

Councilman Noonan stated that he's heard from people on both sides and was a little apprehensive of the 180 days. But, after hearing from Counsel that a new law should be drafted within 180 days, he was okay with the time frame.

Councilman Hogan stated that he was for the moratorium if it will get everything moving.

Councilman Donohue stated that he wasn't on the Board when the first moratorium was voted on. He asked what the short-term plan would be. Will they have committee workshops or work with the Zoning Administrator?

The Supervisor stated that he has been working with Counsel and with the Zoning Administrator. Once he has a draft ready, he'll present it to the Town Board for comment first and then they can have a public workshop. He reminded everyone again, that this moratorium can be rescinded upon adoption of a new local law.

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

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

LOCAL LAW 2 OF 2020 – MORATORIUM ON MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS

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

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RESOLUTION
TOWN BOARD
TOWN OF MOREAU

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW 2 OF 2020, EXTENDING CHAPTER 76 “A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON BUILDING PERMITS OR SITE PLAN REVIEW OR OTHER REVIEW OF MULTI-FAMILY, MULTIPLE-FAMILY AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLING RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS WITHIN THE TOWN OF MOREAU” TO THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF MOREAU FOR ADDITIONAL TIME

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Moreau (“Board”) is considering the adoption of Local Law No. 2 of 2020, which would, if adopted, would extend Chapter 76 “A Temporary Moratorium on Building Permits or Site Plan Review or Other Review of Multi-Family, Multiple-Family and Two-Family Dwelling Residential Projects Within the Town of Moreau” to the Code of the Town of Moreau for an additional one hundred eighty (180) days, and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that in order to provide for the health, safety and welfare of Town residents and property owners, and in the best interest of the future of the Town, and in particular to permit the Town the necessary time in which to review its current Zoning Code in conjunction with the recently-adopted Comprehensive Land Use Plan, it is necessary to extend Chapter 76 “A Temporary Moratorium on Building Permits or Site Plan Review or Other Review of Multi-Family, Multiple-Family and Two-Family Dwelling Residential Projects Within the Town of Moreau” to the Code of the Town of Moreau for an additional one hundred eighty (180) days; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the adoption of Local Law No. 2 of 2020 is in the best interests of the Town and is necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents and property owners and in particular to permit the Town the necessary time in which to review its current Zoning Code in conjunction with the recently-adopted Comprehensive Land Use Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that the adoption of Local Law No. 2 of 2020 is a necessary and proper exercise of authority by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the authority for the enactment of this local law is found in Section 10(1)(i) of the Municipal Home Rule Law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 20 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, a public hearing on the proposed adoption of Local Law No. 2 was properly noticed in the newspaper and posted, and was duly conducted on February 11, 2020 at 6:30 p.m., at the Town Municipal Complex, and

WHEREAS, the Board has considered the public comments made at the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 6NYCRR 617.5(c)(36) the adoption of Local Law 2 of 2020, as a moratorium, is a Type 2 action not subject to SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, after thorough review and deliberation, the Board proposes to adopt Local Law No. 2 of 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Saratoga County Planning Board has issued a determination of no significant county-wide or intercommunity impact associated with this moratorium; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney for the Town has prepared the necessary documents for filing this local law with the Secretary of State including the text of the law itself;

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby adopts Local Law No. 2 of 2020, annexed hereto, which extends Chapter 76 "A Temporary Moratorium on Building Permits or Site Plan Review or Other Review of Multi-Family, Multiple-Family and Two-Family Dwelling Residential Projects Within the Town of Moreau" to the Code of the Town of Moreau for a period of one-hundred eighty (180) days; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board hereby authorizes the Town Clerk and the Attorney for the Town to make such minor modifications to the local law documents as they deem necessary and thereafter are directed to execute and file the said documents as required by law and to take all the necessary action for the promulgation thereof.

Resolution #2020-117

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, to adopt the foregoing resolution as read into the record by the Town Clerk.

The Supervisor explained that the Town is in the process of updating its local Zoning ordinances town wide. He stated that Board members have heard over the years, that the Town has done more than their fair share in establishing apartments for residents in the community. This moratorium will prevent the issuance of new permits for multi-family dwellings until they can determine how to update the Town Zoning ordinance. He stated that this moratorium can be rescinded as well, if a new local law is adopted within the 180 days.

Councilman Noonan asked if someone were to seek a variance, they would still be able to present their case to the Planning Board or Zoning Board, correct? Attorney Buettner stated that there is a variance procedure in place.

The Supervisor stated that one of the things the Comprehensive Land Use Plan echoed, was the protection of the Agricultural District. One of the ways to do that is to carefully adjust the Zoning ordinances to do whatever they can to support and encourage farm families to continue farming. The Supervisor stated that he was in favor of drafting new zoning requirements that prohibit multi-family dwellings in the Ag Districts. He stated that the quickest way to cause a demise of agricultural land is to get municipal structure in there and allow for increased density with housing.

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

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

SOUTH HIGH MARATHON DANCE

The Supervisor stated that it is customary for the Town Board to offer a proclamation. He asked the Town Clerk to read the following proclamation aloud:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, for the 43rd consecutive year the South Glens Falls High School is hosting the annual South High Marathon Dance (SHMD) to raise funds to benefit local charities, organizations and individuals in the community and tri-county area; and

WHEREAS, the first South High Marathon Dance was held in 1978 with about 50 dancers participating and has grown to an astounding 800 plus dance participants which is more than 80% of the students in the South Glens Falls Central School District; and

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WHEREAS, the students will dance for an amazing 28 hours over a two-day period; and

WHEREAS, the first marathon dance raised \$1,500 and this amount has increased to \$837,859, the amount raised in 2019, for a grand total over the years of over \$8.1 million; and

WHEREAS, the SHMD has donated money to individuals in need of handicapped-accessible vans, organ transplants, and motorized wheelchairs and helped send terminally ill community members on vacations with their families, helped pay medical expenses, purchased gifts for needy children at Christmastime and helped purchase major medical equipment for a local hospital; and

WHEREAS, over the last 42 years the funds raised by the marathon dance have been distributed to over 530 beneficiaries within the Village of South Glens Falls, the Town of Moreau, and surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, the recipients chosen to benefit from the proceeds raised by this year's dance include: Charles Aiken, Ryan Alger, Jennifer Annis, Lillian Baker, Janet Baker Pratt, David Bennett, Alice Charette, Esme Clark, Connie Himes, Nolan Jacox, Isabella Lauzon, Milana Lefebvre, Joshua McCane, Kelsey Murphy, Robert Murray, Robin Neumann, Nick Clark, Stephanie Rosa, Jennifer Ryan, Danita Shortte, Linda Tucker, Royce Younes, Adopt a Soldier, Alzheimer's Association, Angel Names Association, Buddies Blankets and Bears, CAPTAIN Community Human Services, Dysautonomia International, Food for Thought, Gateway House of Peace, Habitat for Humanity, Kelly's Angels Inc., Moreau Community Center, Open Door Mission, Rebuilding Together Saratoga Co., Upstate NY Autism Alliance, Veterans and Community Housing; and

WHEREAS, the dance marathon has become a tradition which brings our entire community together in an emotional, exciting and gratifying experience that will stay with those involved for the rest of their lives; and

WHEREAS, the Moreau Town Board extends their sincere gratitude to all those involved and especially to the students who devote their time and effort to making the Marathon Dance a success; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Moreau Town Board hereby proclaims March 6th and 7th, 2020 "South High Marathon Dance Weekend" as a tribute to the support and generosity of our community.

Resolution #2020-118

A motion was made by Councilman Noonan, seconded by Councilman Hogan and carried, to adopt the foregoing proclamation as read into the record by the Town Clerk.

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

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

TRANSFER STATION

The Supervisor stated that the Town has been working on the pump at the Transfer Station. Galusha and Sons had been authorized to look at the pump and provide a proposal to repair the problem. The Supervisor read the proposal aloud as follows:

Based on the initial investigation of the pump at the Transfer Station, we have concluded that the pump is no longer operational.

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Day 1

We will send two men, 8 hours each portal to portal to the site, enter the pit to pull the pipe due to hard plumbing, replace with a new pump and plumb it. Since there is currently no alarm panel, we will install a new simplex control/alarm panel with a supply cable from the panel to the pit. The existing pump will be brought back to the shop for repair evaluation.

Day 2

We will send one man to install the tank alert high water alarm beacon and alarm in a location of your choosing, where it can be hard connected to a simplex alarm panel in conjunction with the alarm on the panel. Install the tank alert high water alarm beacon and alarm for the holding tank, as well with a float in the tank wired to the normally open contacts.

Proposal price: \$10,594.00

Additional time due to unforeseen conditions will be billed on a T&M basis.

The Supervisor recommended that they move forward with the repair. Funding would come from TS8160.4.

Resolution #2020-119

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Hogan and carried, to engage the services of Galusha & Sons, LLC at a cost of \$10,594.00 to perform the work as described in the above documented proposal.

Councilwoman LeClair commented that these costs won't be paid for by the taxpayers. She stated that the repairs are paid for with user fees.

Councilman Hogan stated that they still have to work on setting up a reserve fund for the Transfer Station.

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

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

SOUTH GLENS FALLS FIRE COMPANY – POLLING LOCATION

The Supervisor stated that the Town had received a letter from the South Glens Falls Fire Co. back in October, sent certified mail at a cost of \$6.30. The Supervisor read the letter aloud:

To Whom it may concern:

Beginning in January of 2020 and in accordance to the South Glens Falls Fire Company Rules and Regulations for the use of hall rentals; all organizations and businesses, including the Board of Elections must fill out a contract for the use of the hall with the South Glens Falls Fire Company and pay the hall rental fee with the deposit.

The Supervisor stated that he wasn't sure if the Fire Company was aware at the time they sent the letter, that because they have a not for profit status and the building is exempt from taxation, under State Election law the building must be available for use whenever possible for a polling place. He also stated, with regard to election law, that any funding they receive, whether it be a grant loan for construction,

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renovation, rehabilitation or operation of the building, as it relates to their exemption, could be in jeopardy, if they don't allow their building to be used for the purpose of elections. He stated that the Town was instrumental in securing a \$100,000 grant for improvements to the building, which is currently working its way through the legislative process.

The Supervisor stated that he wasn't sure as to why the Town received the letter via Certified Mail. He commented that he opens all of the mail he receives and reads it. He stated that it wasn't a great use of taxpayer resources, since the Town funded operations of the Fire Company are funded with sales tax revenue.

He stated that, that on February 19, 2020 another letter was sent to the Town Clerk. He read the letter aloud:

Dear Leann,

We are writing you this letter to inform you that the South Glens Falls Fire Company met for a special meeting on February 19, 2020 to discuss the hall usage for the upcoming elections.

The company has approved the following dates and times to include one hour for set up and one hour for cleanup.

April 28, 2020 from 5AM-10PM

June 23, 2020 from 5AM-10PM

November 3, 2020 from 5AM-10PM

During the use of hall, the South Glens Falls Fire Company will not be responsible for set up or take down of table and chairs and there will not be any access to the kitchen or supplies. –The kitchen doors will be locked during these times. There will be garbage bags and cleaning supplies provided outside the kitchen in the hallway. We are asking that you please empty all garbage's including the bathrooms and place the garbage in the receptables outside the rear entrance by the kitchen. Please return the hall to its original condition.

For any correspondence for the hall please contact Ken Jacox directly (phone and email info was provided in the letter). This will include drop off and pick up of any election equipment and questions or concerns with the hall.

Sincerely,
South Glens Falls Fire Company Board

The Supervisor stated that this letter was sent to the Clerk via Certified Mail and he expected that it probably cost the same as the first mailing. He stated that he's troubled by two things: That the Town has gone out of its way to work to secure a \$100,000 grant for them. He's also troubled that the election poll workers would be responsible for setting up and taking down tables. He stated that it makes no sense.

The Supervisor stated that he hopes there will be continued dialogue, where they can rectify the situation and return to the ways of the past, where the Town and the Fire Company had a fantastic working relationship.

Councilman Noonan asked the Supervisor, as liaison to the Fire Company, if he would like him to reach out to them. The Supervisor was agreeable to the Councilman contacting the Fire Company.

MANAGED SERVICES FOR IT AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS – RFP

The Supervisor commented, that at budget time, the Town Board was in support of sending out RFP's for IT and Telecommunication services. He asked if the Town Board was still in agreement with this. He stated that he would like to establish a deadline date of March 20, 2020 at 3:00 p.m. for the receipt of RFP's. The Town Board was agreeable. The Supervisor stated that he would draft a letter and get a copy to

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the Board members before they get mailed out. The Supervisor asked Counsel if a resolution was needed and she stated no.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Resolution #2020-120

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, authorizing the bulk purchase of air, oil and fuel filters from Weller's Auto Parts in the amount of \$2,100.00. The expense will be paid from account DB5130.492.

The Highway Superintendent stated that this is a promotional sale from Weller's, with prices being discounted at 50%.

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

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

Resolution #2020-121

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, approving an open purchase order with Morton Salt, under County Contract #18-PWS-10R, in the amount of \$45,000.00. The expense will be paid from account DB5142.490.

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

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

Resolution #2020-122

A motion was made by Councilwoman LeClair, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, to contract with Saratoga County DPW for 83 miles of Town roads to be striped in 2020.

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

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

The Supervisor stated that the Highway Superintendent had received a notice from Michelle Ross, that she will no longer be cleaning the Highway Garage. She will continue to strip and wax the floors if needed. The Supervisor told Mr. Joseph that he would reach out to the Town Hall custodian to see if he might be interested in cleaning at the Highway Garage.

The Supervisor gave an update to some of the ongoing issues that have been reported to the Town Board regarding the traffic on Old West Road. He stated at the last Town Board meeting, that he would be meeting with Adirondack Glens Falls Transportation Council. He stated that he had spoken with Aaron

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Frankenfeld, who will at our request, assist in a traffic study on Washburn Road and Old West Road. He was told that they couldn't start a study until the winter weather is over, because the snowplows could rip up the equipment on the roads. They'll be able to determine the flow of traffic as well as the type of traffic. The equipment can tell if it's a car or a tractor trailer that's being counted. Once the weather changes they'll get the study done and the Supervisor will get the report to the Town Board.

The Supervisor also reported, while under the Highway agenda, that the Town is moving forward with the roof replacement at the new Highway Garage. As part of the replacement, the garage will need an HVAC modification to alleviate some of the condensation issues, which are contributing to some of the problems at the garage. The Supervisor reported that he attended a pre-construction meeting two weeks ago with the Highway Superintendent, the engineers and the people doing the work. He received a call yesterday with another issue that has arisen. When they did the heater installation, when the garage was first constructed, they had 400 mbh heaters installed in the garage. The natural gas line from Route 9 was 1" in diameter. With the specified upgrades to the HVAC system, they will be increasing the mbh by another 2,400, which will bring the total mbh to 2,800, to make sure the HVAC works properly. The engineers advised the Supervisor, that when the system was put in, it was severely undersized. The gas line coming in isn't big enough for what they need to do. The engineer has reached out to National Grid and they were provided with an estimate of \$10,000 to \$20,000 to run the proper sized line from the road to the meter, which includes hook-up to the meter. The Supervisor asked the engineer to go back to National Grid and ask them for a price if the Town did the work themselves. He stated that he would have the information prior to the March 10th Town Board meeting. He's hopeful that there will be a resolution and has told the engineer to continue to move forward with the work.

The Supervisor asked Paul Joseph if he had anything else to discuss under the Highway agenda item. He replied that he had nothing else but informed the Supervisor that he wasn't made aware of the issue that had just been discussed.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Supervisor stated that the Board members should have two draft copies of contracts for South Glens Falls Girls Softball and South Glens Falls Youth Baseball. He commended the Recreation Leader, Peter Olesheski, as well as the members of the Recreation Committee (Councilwoman LeClair and Councilman Hogan) for working in unison with the groups, to come up with a viable contract. The Supervisor asked, that if the Town Board has no questions, for authorization to sign the contracts.

Resolution #2020-123

A motion was made by Councilman Hogan, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, authorizing the Supervisor to sign the 2020, five (5) year, contracts with the South Glens Falls Girls Softball and South Glens Falls Youth Baseball.

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

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

The Supervisor commented, while on the Recreation agenda, that there was a trespasser at the Recreation facilities on a snowmobile. He stated that there is monitoring going on in the Park, which can capture photographs in certain areas. With that, they were able to determine who the trespasser was. The Supervisor met with the Sheriff as well as with the Recreation Leader and advised that this individual was paid a visit. He's hoping that this type of activity will be minimized as the word gets out that the Park is being monitored.

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RAIL FEASIBILITY STUDY

The Supervisor stated, that he had indicated at the last Town Board meeting, that he was going to be asking the Saratoga County IDA to fund a Rail Feasibility Study. He stated that the Town Board was unanimous in adopting a resolution, stating that they supported the IDA funding of the study. He stated that he personally carried the resolution to the IDA meeting last Tuesday. He stated that they had a good discussion, and in the end, the Saratoga County IDA unanimously endorsed funding (\$14,820) for the Rail Feasibility Study, which will be conducted by Camoin Associates out of Saratoga Springs. He stated that he had a copy of the proposal if anyone would like to review it. The Supervisor thanked the IDA on behalf of the Town for funding the study.

SUPERVISOR'S ITEMS

The Supervisor reported, that it is with great sadness, he is announcing the passing of a former Town employee, Helen M. "Honey" Morrissey Potter, who passed away February 16, 2020. He stated that she was a remarkable lady who worked for the Town for about 25 years. Most of that time was spent at the Town Landfill. In her later years with the Town, she became a Crossing Guard. The Supervisor read from her obituary and asked that it be made part of the record.

Honey was a graduate of Saint Mary's Academy, and worked at Paradise Lake Resort during the 50's and early 60's. After that she focused on her most valuable position, that of mom. She never missed a ball game and was her children's biggest fan, even as they went into coaching high school sports, she was always their biggest cheerleader. After her husband passed, she returned to work for the Town of Moreau. Serving as cashier at the Town Landfill/Transfer Station, supervised students in the after-school bowling program and most definitely her favorite job ever, serving as crossing guard for the elementary children which she did up until the last day of school this past June.

Honey was a communicant of St. Michael's church in South Glens Falls. She was a loyal and dedicated member of the Rosary Altar Society for years, and it was Honey's great honor and pleasure to decorate the church and altar for all special occasions. She also volunteered working Bingo at St. Michael's. Honey was famously known for her sharp dress appearance and her incredibly kind heart. It has always been her strong faith in God that has guided her.

The Supervisor stated that her calling hours were this evening. He stated that she was a remarkable individual, who made a contribution to our community and impacted a lot of lives.

The Supervisor stated that the Town Board will be recognizing her with a proclamation in March.

The Supervisor commented, that one of the reasons he was unable to attend Honey's calling hours, was because he was asked to speak at the grand opening of the new Hudson Headwaters Health Network on Route 9. The President of Glens Falls Hospital as well as the CEO, Dr. Slingerland, made remarks. The Supervisor stated that he expressed the appreciation and the excitement for having them make that kind of investment in our community. He stated that the event was well attended and had great media coverage.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilman Noonan stated that Councilwoman LeClair and himself, who serve on the Water Committee need to get together to discuss the agreement with the Village of South Glens Falls. He stated that the one (1) year agreement is due to expire soon and they'll need the Town's water when they paint their water tower. They'll need to speak with the Village again but stated that they're all ok with the same terms as last year. The Supervisor asked Counsel, that if the Village is ok with last years' terms, to modify the contract with new dates. He asked if a one (1) year contract is still okay or if they were looking to extend the term. Councilman Noonan was okay with a one year and stated that the Village is okay with a one year as long as the terms stay the same.

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Councilman Donohue spoke regarding his position on the Highway Committee. He stated that he tried to advocate for the residents and called Mr. Frankenfeld to set up a meeting with himself and Councilman Hogan. They were looking for some guidance and suggestions regarding Old West Road. He stated that there were many ideas that went back and forth. One question he had was, could the Town limit weight? He was told that they could with a local ordinance. He stated that he had stopped in to see the Supervisor to let him know where he was at and there was no call back nor an email. He spoke with Councilman Noonan and Councilman Hogan but is waiting on the Supervisor's okay before he can move forward. He stated that he had contacted the Supervisor eight times in eight days and has had no response. Councilman Donohue asked the Town Board to join him in asking the Supervisor if he can contact Mr. Frankenfeld and move forward. He stated that the more data they have, the more ideas they can come up with.

Councilman Hogan stated that the Supervisor had addressed this topic earlier in the meeting. He stated that the Supervisor had spoken with the same individual and when the weather breaks, they'll do the study.

Councilman Donohue commented that he was on the Highway Committee and stated that he thought there was a failure to communicate. He stated that the Supervisor had commented earlier that he wouldn't step on Councilman Noonan's toes but it's okay to step on his toes. He stated that this bothers him and commented further that they aren't communicating. He asked that the Board let him help.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Patrick Killian of 169 Burt Road addressed the Town Board on the solar moratorium. He stated that he was hesitant to understand what got done with the first moratorium. Mr. Killian also asked who was in charge with the questions that are being asked of NYSRDA and what questions need to be asked. He stated that he hoped this new moratorium wouldn't go the full 180 days. Mr. Killian offered his help if there are any questions anyone may have. He stated that there have been many changes in the past 5 years and that the Town needs to adapt to the change. Mr. Killian also commented that he's appreciative of everything the Town Board does.

Debbie Buckley addressed the Town Board by first stating that she has been on the advisory committee to the South High Marathon Dance for 27 years. She wanted to make the Town Board aware that the figures used on the proclamation read earlier in the meeting are incorrect. The Supervisor stated that they want to be as accurate as possible and commented that his office had taken the figures directly from the website. Ms. Buckley stated again that she didn't think they were right and asked that the Town double check them. The Supervisor stated that they would look into it and then asked Councilman Noonan, who is the liaison to the School District, to check on this upon his return to work tomorrow.

Dominic Tom of 7 Cedar Lane addressed the Town Board and read a prepared statement. He stated that he was here to set the record straight on his ten-month-old request relating to the feasibility of a partial property tax exemption for disabled and low-income individuals. He stated that he learned last year he wasn't eligible for the exemption. He stated that his calls, emails and in person inquiries asking for updates have been mostly ignored for nearly a year. He vowed publicly, that he would never apply for this exemption, even if the limits changed in his favor. He stated that this exemption is only for eligible property owners. He stated that if this exemption were to be adopted, he promised to reimburse the Town for the loss in tax revenue experienced for the first year of eligibility, by the first homeowner to have the exemption. He stated that his proposal must be legally sanctioned by authorities, as he wouldn't want to face moronic corruption, quid pro quo, or bribery accusations. He further commented, that if it's illegal, he would donate the same amount to a local charity that benefits the disadvantaged. He stated that he was astounded by the pure areas of the Town of Moreau elected officials, who are sworn to represent constituents, whether it be one or ten thousand. He stated that this Board spent more time on the purchase of coats for the Transfer Station than on this exemption. He stated that two Board members at the previous meeting maintained that the exemption would cause an economic burden on the Town taxpayers. He stated that they should read the February 22nd Post Star article regarding the potential number of beneficiaries. Mr. Tom stated that the four Town Board members don't care about the Town's

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disabled and low-income property owners. He hopes that those owners return the sentiment at election time.

After having no further comments from the public, Councilman Donohue asked the Supervisor if he was going to contact Mr. Frankenfeld. The Supervisor stated that he had already addressed this earlier in the meeting.

A motion was made by Councilman Hogan, seconded by Councilman Noonan and carried, to close the meeting for the evening at 8:20 p.m.

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

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

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Leeann McCabe
Town Clerk