

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Moreau was held on May 24, 2022 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.

### **Town Board Members Present**

Mark Stewart	Councilmember
Kyle Noonan	Councilmember
Alan VanTassel	Councilmember
Theodore T. Kusnierz, Jr.	Supervisor

### **Town Board Members Absent**

John Donohue, Jr.	Councilmember
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**Also present:** Ellen Buttles, Deputy Town Clerk; Karla Buettner, Attorney for the Town; Barbara Bartlett, Deputy Town Clerk; Lisa Sperry, Supervisor's Confidential Secretary; Jeff Cruz, Principal Account Clerk; Brigid Martin, Town Historian.

The Supervisor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Prior to the Town Board Meeting the Supervisor mentioned the loss of Peter Jensen and read Peter's obituary.

#### G. Peter Jensen

Jan. 5, 1943 -

SOUTH GLENS FALLS – G. Peter Jensen, 79, passed away peacefully May 17, 2022, with his loving family by his side at Glens Falls Hospital.

Born on January 5, 1943, in Troy, NY, he was the son of the late Howard and Gladys (Spencer) Jensen. Peter grew up on a dairy farm in Melrose, NY where he attended a one-room schoolhouse and eventually graduated from Tamarac High School. He went on to earn his Associate Degree in Applied Science at SUNY Delhi.

On August 30, 1974, he married the love of his life, Sharon Kestner in Glens Falls, NY.

Peter was a workaholic, working several jobs over the years. He worked at Saratoga Associates, where he obtained his license in Architecture, and later worked at North Colonie Schools as Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds where he then retired in 2007.

Peter owned and operated Jensen's Architecture, creating blueprints for numerous homes and businesses throughout the area. Peter loved to give his time to different organizations. He was the Chairman of the Town of Moreau Planning Board for 35 years and was a member of the Historical Society in South Glens Falls and the Town of Moreau. He volunteered his time as the building and groundskeeper and oversaw the maintenance at the Parks Bentley Place.

Peter was proud to have served for 40 years in the Army National Guard. He had an amazing work ethic and believed in honesty and integrity, passing down those values to his beloved family.

He loved being with his family and supporting them wherever they may need it. He was always there to lend a helping hand to his wife with her flower gardens and enjoyed birdwatching. Peter liked watching the Yankees play and he was known to be an excellent bowler. Even though Peter was a hard worker, he never missed an opportunity to spend time with his family, often attended sporting events for his children and granddaughters. He was affectionately known by his granddaughters as "Oppy". Peter was a man of few words, but when asked how he was he would reply, "I'm vertical". He will always be remembered as a loving husband, father and grandfather.

In addition to his parents, he is predeceased by a sister, Evelyn Wheeler; a brother, Donald Jensen; and his in-laws, Francis and Daphne Kestner.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 47 years, Sharon Jensen of South Glens Falls; his children: Hans Jensen of Seattle, WA, Heidi Olsen and her husband, Justin of Granville; his granddaughters: Ella, Lily, and Alexa; his sister, Norma Fletcher of Troy; his brother-in-law, Terry Kestner and his wife, Cathy of Hudson Falls; as well as many nieces, nephews, friends and colleagues.

Friends may call, Friday, May 20, 2022, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., at the Carleton Funeral Home, Inc., 68 Main St., in Hudson Falls.

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A funeral service will be conducted Saturday, May 21, 2022 10 a.m., at the funeral home with the Reverend Tony Childs, officiating.

Burial will follow the funeral service, Saturday, at Pine View Cemetery in the Town of Queensbury. All are welcome to a gathering at St. Michael's the Archangel Church, 80 Saratoga Ave., in South Glens Falls, following the burial.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the providers and staff at Adirondack Cardiology, Dr. Filion, the staff of the ICU at Glens Falls Hospital and Dr. Amy Hogan-Moulton for her care and kind words, "He was a gift to the community and to all who knew him; smart, honest and generous".

Memorial donations may be made in his name to the SPCA of Upstate NY, 588 Queensbury Ave., Queensbury, NY 12804, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 2 Pine West Plaza #202, Albany, NY 12205, or to a scholarship fund being established for South Glens Falls High School senior looking to pursue a career in architecture. In the interim, scholarship donations may be sent to Sharon Jensen at 17 West Road, South Glens Falls, NY 12803.

The Supervisor asked for a moment of silence.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from May 10, 2022 (2 sets) were prepared and presented to the Town Board members in advance of the meeting for their review, comment, correction and approval.

### **Resolution #2022-203**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember VanTassel and carried, to accept the minutes from May 10, 2022 (2 sets) as prepared.

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

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

### **Resolution #2022-204**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan and carried, to close the Public Hearing on Local Law 2-2022, Sewer Ordinance.

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

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

### **Resolution #2022-205**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan and carried, to close the Public Hearing on Local Law 3 of 2022, Zoning Amendment.

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

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

### **Resolution #2022-206**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan and carried, to close the Public Hearing on Local Law 4 of 2022, Zoning Amendment.

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

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

### **RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

The Recreation Leader received a letter from the SGF Girls Travel softball teams. The teams would like to do a fundraiser at the Rec Park in late June. These teams will be hosting a softball tournament from June 24, 2022 – June 26, 2022 and on the morning of June 26th, would like to hold a “golf ball drop” in the Bowl.

### **Resolution #2022-207**

A motion was made by Councilmember Noonan, seconded by Councilmember Stewart and carried, to not allow the golf ball drop due to liabilities and insurance concerns.

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

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

### **Resolution #2022-208**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan and carried, That Reillyquinn Cahill be re-hired as a Lifeguard for the Town of Moreau Recreation Department at a rate of \$14.00 per hour. And be it further resolved that Caleb Karig be re-hired as a Senior Lifeguard for the Town of Moreau Recreation Department at a rate of \$14.42 per hour.

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

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

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**Resolution #2022-209**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan and carried, to hire Colleen Nichols as a Part Time Clerk for the Court's office at a rate of \$13.80 per hour.

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

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

**WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT**

The Water and Sewer Department Committee was provided with recommendations from Special Counsel. The Supervisor would like the Water and Sewer Committee to look over the draft resolution and schedule it for the next meeting in June.

**SUPERVISOR ITEMS**

The NYS Museum sent a letter to Brigid Martin thanking her for her work and for sending her Annual Historian Report for 2021, in compliance with the New York State Arts and Cultural Affairs Law. The Supervisor also thanked Ms. Martin for all the work and congratulated her on her achievements. We are looking forward to working together on the commemoration of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the American Revolution and Declaration of Independence. The Supervisor mentioned this celebration could be one of the largest tourist attractions in this part of the County.

Sales tax distributions brought in were \$329,493.00, which is \$124,000 dollars ahead of last year, however there may be some unknown challenges ahead with the cost of gas and petroleum.

The Supervisor stated, that at the last Town Board meeting, he had asked the Insurance Committee to seek out proposals for detailed authentication as part of IT services in the Town of Moreau. This came to light as the current insurance carrier only offers limited cyber security coverage. The Town was bound with our current insurance carrier as of May 1, 2022 with the limited package. A proposal was received from Storedtech, that would meet the needs of the Town and ensure that the Town is appropriately protected from cyber-attacks. The proposal is in the amount of \$4,940.00, which would be an upgrade from the services the Town currently receives from Storedtech to a business premium model. Councilmember VanTassel stated that the Town was required to have a multi-factor authentication to maintain cyber security insurance. In order to do that, Office 365 needed to be upgraded to the Business Premium. The Supervisor stated that he would like to move forward on this proposal. Councilmember Stewart asked if this was a one-time fee and Councilmember VanTassel explained the increase for the monthly fee that was shown on the proposal.

**Resolution #2022-210**

A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Noonan and carried, to accept the proposal from Storedtech, for the increase in monthly fees for improved Cyber Security, in the amount of \$4,940.00.

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Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Abstained
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Buildings and Grounds Committee -The Supervisor asked the Committee to investigate an opportunity to install Solar panels on the capped property of the landfill and mentioned that Councilmember Stewart was working on that.

Recreation Committee- There was no action was needed on batting cages, as an organization volunteered their time with no cost to the taxpayers.

Town wide trail system. The Supervisor asked Councilmember VanTassel if anybody had an opportunity to look into the Town wide trail system. Councilmember VanTassel mentioned that a request had been sent out to the LA Group to provide the Town with two proposals, one for a surveyor and one for administrative services.

The grant for the Trail Project called Big Bend runs parallel just to the west of the Town. With that activity, the State Parks are working with the County on a similar project called Big Bend Point. This will develop additional trails in the Town of Moreau. The State trails end at the same location as our Phase Three project west of the Northway, which would turn the Phase Three project into a fast-paced Phase Two. The Town is looking for additional funding from the County and will get a little more information to bring to the Board at the next meeting. The Town would like to join forces and make these two projects the largest trail system in the state.

Councilmember Stewart stated that the Town will continue their relationship with BOCES and move forward with small projects. He stated that he would speak with the folks in charge of running the bridge project to see about potential road millings, which could be used for additional parking at the Recreation Park. He stated that parking is a concern the Town should address. The Supervisor commented that there are times at the Park, that there isn't sufficient parking.

The Supervisor mentioned that he had a meeting with the Mayor of Glens Falls, discussing the Facilities Agreement for the Sewer Treatment Plant and would discuss at the next meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None needed.

### **PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

There were no members of the public wishing to speak.

A motion was made by Councilmember VanTassel, seconded by Councilmember Noonan and carried, to close the meeting for the evening at 7:55 p.m.

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

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Councilmember Noonan	Aye
Councilmember VanTassel	Aye
Councilmember Donohue	Absent
Supervisor Kusnierz	Aye

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Buttles  
Deputy Town Clerk