

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Moreau was held at 7:00 p.m. on March 25, 2025 at the Moreau Municipal Building, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, Saratoga County, New York.

The meeting was held in person. The Supervisor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with an attendance roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

ALSO PRESENT:	Erin Trombley	Town Clerk
	Glen Bruening	Town Counsel
	Chris Abrams	Highway Superintendent
	Josh Westfall	Building, Planning and Development (BPD) Coordinator
	Elizabeth Bennett	Confidential Secretary
	Jeremy Brogan	Recreation Director
	Reed Antis	Town Historian

OTHERS PRESENT: Cheryl Lawyer (Moreau Community Center), Laura Garrant, Bri Lebrecht, Brittney Sprague, Greg Hewlett (The Pines), Charlene Hewlett, Dave Rogge (Lamplighter Acres), Bruce Lant, Bill Ramsey, Richie Wiltshire, Todd Howk (So. Glens Falls Girls Softball), Jeff Bean (So. Glens Falls Girls Softball), Maureen Dennis (Schermerhorn Real Estate Holdings), Alex Portal (Post-Star)

FUTURE MEETINGS

Supervisor Fish proposed moving the April audit and Town Board meetings from April 22 to April 29.

Resolution 124-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to cancel the April 22, 2025 month-end audit and regular Town Board meeting and reschedule them for 6:45 and 7 p.m. respectively on April 29, 2025.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

TOWN HISTORIAN

Supervisor Fish invited Town Historian Reed Antis to address the Board. Mr. Antis thanked the Board for the opportunity to present to them. He said that on March 28, 1805 the Town of Moreau was created from a portion of the Town of Northumberland, and that in 1818 a portion of Moreau was added to the Town of Corinth when Corinth was created by New York State.

He asked for some direction with allocating budget funds to pay for lighting in his office. Receiving inquiries and answering public questions were his major priorities, he said, and that educating the public on the history of the Town was important, adding that he had been posting about the Town's history to the Town Facebook page with the assistance of the supervisor's Confidential Secretary.

Mr. Antis said he was acquiring some reproductions of historical maps as well as 19th- and early-20th Century postcards with well-known landmarks within the Town. He said he was using his stipend for the project, and

that his objective was framing and displaying the items at Town Hall. He said he had also been attending lectures about the 250th anniversary celebration of the foundation of the country and how the American revolution affected the Town as it passed through. He noted that some New York State historical markers in the Town are missing and that some would be added. He said these are being cataloged for the first time.

Mr. Antis also inquired if the Town had interest in undertaking preservation of historical buildings or landmarks in the Town. He mentioned the International Paper Building in South Glens Falls, built in the 1880s. He said he had also reached out to the Moreau Community Center and other organizations about working on historical projects, and had given a presentation to the Friends of Moreau Lake State Park in February about the Town's history and of their organization.

Mr. Antis continued, saying that Grant's Cottage is a New York State Historical Site and National Historic Landmark. He said he was a volunteer on the Board of Trustees of the Friends of Ulysses S. Grant Cottage, who operates the cottage for New York State. He said the best thing that happened to the cottage was the closure of the prison 11 years ago, and that the cottage programming is growing rapidly. On Father's Day, June 15, he said the cottage will hold a Community Day, with free admission for the community, adding that in 2024 on this day, they fired cannons from the overlook. Finally, Mr. Antis said the Friends extended an invitation for Town officials to visit.

Mr. Antis said 2025 was also the 200th anniversary of the Erie Canal, and that the Town had the opportunity to have a touring exhibit at Town Hall for two weeks in July, and the Village Hall would have it for two weeks in May. Crandall Library loaned the Town an interactive media kiosk that contains information on the history of the Champlain Valley, he said. The kiosk is at Town Hall, outside the Town Clerk's office. Mr. Antis encouraged residents to learn a little about the Town's history when they come in to pay a bill.

TWO LIGHTS FOR TOMORROW

Supervisor Fish said the County is coordinating an event called Two Lights for Tomorrow, encouraging people to place two candles, lights, or luminarias in their windows to commemorate Paul Revere's ride at the beginning of the American Revolution. He said he had luminaria bags and lights in his office for those who wish to participate. He said every Town in the County was asked to light them up in Town Hall that day.

SOUTH GLENS FALLS MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Supervisor Fish asked the Board members in attendance if they were interested in participating in the annual Memorial Day parade, Friday, May 23. Cheryl Lawyer offered, from the floor, that she was the committee chair for the parade, and that she had been reaching out to all the community organizations for sign-up. She said she could use some help managing the divisions the day of the parade because the gentleman who had helped for years was no longer able. She added the American Legion coordinates the Memorial Day event.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No comments were made.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Supervisor Fish asked the Town Clerk to read prepared resolutions for the minutes. She read:

"Be it resolved that the Town Board accepts and approves the minutes for the Special Town Board meeting on February 25, 2025 as submitted." She also noted that Councilmembers Stewart and Noonan had not been present at that meeting.

Resolution 125-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Killian 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Abstain
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 3:0.

The Town Clerk read:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board accepts and approves the minutes for the Month End Audit meeting on February 28, 2025 as submitted.” She noted that Councilmembers Stewart and Noonan had not been present.

Resolution 126-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Killian, 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Abstain
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 3:0.

Town Clerk Trombley read:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board accepts and approves the minutes for the Regular Town Board meeting on March 11, 2025 as submitted.” She noted Councilmember Killian had not been present.

Resolution 127-2025 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	Abstain
Councilmember Noonan	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 3:0.

LOCAL LAW NO. 4 of 2025

Supervisor Fish asked if anyone present had additional comments on the proposed law regulating sewer charges. No member of the public wished to speak. The Supervisor asked if any Board member wished to comment. Councilmember Stewart said he felt the public comment period had been open a long time and lots of comments

were received for the Board's consideration. He said the current law appears to address the issues and moves the Town forward with establishing an EDU rate.

Supervisor Fish asked the Town Clerk to read a resolution closing the public hearing on Local Law No. 4 of 2025. She read:

"Be it resolved, that the Town Board, having heard public comments regarding Local Law 4 of 2025 at multiple meetings, is closing that public hearing."

Resolution 128-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to close the public hearing on Local Law No. 4 of 2025.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

Supervisor Fish asked Counsel to guide the Board through the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) process. Attorney Bruening said part 1 of the environmental review had been completed, and the next step was to answer the questions in part two. He read the questions, and the Board answered "no" to each. Counsel then went to part three, the Determination of Significance.

Resolution 129-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to make the determination based on analysis of information and supporting documentation that the proposed action would not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

Supervisor Fish asked the Town Clerk to read the resolution of adoption. She read:

"WHEREAS, the Moreau Town Board has considered the adoption of Local Law No. 4 of 2025 entitled, "A Local Law Amending Chapter 115 of the Moreau Town Code Relating to Sewer Regulations" pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law Section 10, Town Law Section 198, and General Municipal Law Article 14-F; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board duly commenced a Public Hearing on the proposed Local Law on February 25, 2025, continued the hearing on March 11, 2025 and March 25 and, after hearing all interested persons, closed the Public Hearing this date; and

WHEREAS, the original proposal was revised in response to public comments and most recently revised and aged on the desks of the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Local Law is an unlisted action for purposes of review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act in which the Town Board determined that the proposed Local Law will not result in any significant adverse impacts to the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that this Local Law would best enhance and protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Moreau; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Town Board hereby adopts Local Law No. 4 of 2025 in the form attached to this Resolution, provided that the requirements for a public hearing to be held in the month of October and a Town Board Resolution to be adopted in the month of October, as set forth in new Town Code Section 115-70 (B), shall first apply in calendar year 2026.
2. The Town Board hereby authorizes and directs the Town Clerk to file the Local Law with the New York Secretary of State in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law and acknowledges that the Local Law will take effect immediately upon filing by the Secretary of State.
3. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.”

Resolution 130-2025 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

LOCAL LAW NO. 5 of 2025

Supervisor Fish asked Town Clerk Trombley to read a resolution closing the public hearing for Local Law No. 5 of 2025. She read:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board, having heard public comments regarding Local Law 5 of 2025 at multiple meetings, is closing that public hearing.”

Resolution 131-2025 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	Absent

Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

Supervisor Fish asked if there was anyone in attendance who wished to make additional comments. No comments were made. Supervisor Fish offered the Board an opportunity to comment. Councilmember Stewart said multiple comments had been made and that Counsel and BPD Coordinator Westfall had reviewed them. He asked Attorney Bruening the percentage of change that had been made since the last draft of the law was published. Counsel said 0% change was made. The Councilmember questioned if the sunset had been left as it was, and the answer was yes. The Councilmember commented that the layout of the project had changed in response to public comments, especially regarding the three-story apartment building, and that the applicant had gone above and beyond, so he was ready to move forward with the project.

Supervisor Fish said it had been a long process and that he felt the developer had addressed the community's wishes. He said it was time to move forward. Councilmember Stewart asked about a change to the roundabout at the park entrance, and it had been decided that it would be determined during final site inspection, according to BPD Coordinator Westfall. Councilmember Donohue thanked the applicant and said he liked the project and thought it would be an asset to the community. Councilmember Killian also thanked the applicant for their patience through the long process of working with the Town and listening to the public.

The Town Clerk read a prepared resolution:

“WHEREAS Cerrone Builders has proposed the creation of a new Planned Unit Development on two Tax Map Parcels, 50.-3-28.2 and 64.-1-54, approximately 27.2 +/- acres in total, bisected by Moreau Rec Road, to be known as Jacobie’s Parkside Farm Planned Unit Development District as depicted on the attached Map dated March 13, 2025 entitled “Jacobie’s Parkside Farm” with sheet title “Community Master Plan” (“CMP Map”); and

WHEREAS the creation of the Planned Unit Development District requires the adoption of a Local Law, originally introduced on October 29, 2024, subsequently revised in response to public comment and most recently revised and aged on the desks of the Town Board; and

WHEREAS the creation of the Planned Unit Development also requires a change in the zoning district of Tax Map Parcels 50.-3-28.2 and 64.-1-54 from One- and Two-Family Residential Districts (R-2) to Planned Unit Development (PUD) District; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 239-m, the proposed Local Law and change in zoning was referred to the Saratoga County Planning Board which issued a recommendation of approval on November 25, 2024; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Moreau Town Code Section 149-27, the Town Board referred the proposed Local Law and change in zoning to the Moreau Town Planning Board for review and recommendation, which issued a favorable report and, in accordance with the State Environmental Quality Review Act, acted as lead agency and determined that an environmental impact statement need not be prepared because the project will result in no significant adverse impacts on the environment; and

WHEREAS the Town Board commenced a public hearing on November 12, 2024, which remained open and was continued on January 14, 2025 and again on March 25, 2025 and, after hearing all interested persons, closed the hearing this date; and

WHEREAS based on its review of the revised proposal, the Town Board finds that the proposed Planned Unit Development satisfies the intent, objectives and applicable general requirements of Section

149-27 of the Town Code, including the objective that the PUD is a creative use of land that allows an orderly transition into Town parkland; and

WHEREAS the Town Board has determined that the proposed Local Law and zoning change would best enhance and protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Moreau.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Town Board hereby adopts Local Law No. 5 of 2025 in the form attached to this Resolution.
2. The Town Board hereby authorizes and directs that a copy of the relevant portion of the Town Zoning Map consistent with Local Law No. 5 of 2025 be produced and filed in the Town Clerk's Office.
3. The Town Board hereby authorizes and directs the Town Clerk to file Local Law No. 5 of 2025 with the New York Secretary of State, along with a copy of the relevant portion of the Town Zoning Map consistent with the Local Law, and acknowledges that Local Law No. 5 of 2025 shall take effect immediately upon filing by the Secretary of State.
4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately."

Resolution 132-2025 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

SEWER RATES

Supervisor Fish said that the latest version of the proposed sewer rates and EDU calculation methodology was available at the sign-in table outside the Board room, and that the engineer was not available to attend the meeting because he was in Michigan. He asked Counsel to summarize the information. Attorney Bruening explained that the figures were broken into two groups; those in Sewer District 1 extensions 1-4, and those in Sewer District 1 extension 5. The operating cost and maintenance (O&M) for extensions 1-4 were budgeted at \$138,000 per year, he said, and the O&M for extension 5 was budgeted at \$158,000 per year plus capital costs of \$278,000 per year, for a combined total for extension 5 of \$426,000 a year.

Counsel said the Town had asked for a breakdown of Equivalent Dwelling Unit (EDU) figures, and that there were 841 EDUs in District 1 extensions 1-4, and 711 EDUs in extension 5. Based upon the language in new sewer document, he said the rates were calculated at \$270 per EDU for District 1 extensions 1-4, and \$650 per EDU for extension 5, which are slightly higher than the division of EDUs into projected O&M figures. Counsel said the EDU figure should change with growth and that they hoped the number, especially in extension 5, would grow significantly in the next year or two, reducing the cost per EDU for that extension. The actual projected cost for extensions 1-4 cost is \$164 per EDU, with the balance of \$106 per EDU being what Counsel referred to as "the Delta," and the cost for extension 5 would be \$613 per EDU with a surplus of \$37 per EDU. Attorney Bruening said these additional funds will be kept in separate accounts solely for the use of the related extensions, he said,

for emergencies and other unplanned expenses. He said there would also be additional debt in the future for extension 5 for the County sewer connection.

Supervisor Fish opened the floor for questions by those in attendance.

Greg Hewlett said the most recent sewer rate document was significantly different from the one originally proposed. He asked if the new schedule was for all five extensions, or for extension 5 only. Supervisor Fish said the schedule applies to all extensions, and that the EDU rate stays the same. The Supervisor asked Mr. Hewlett what had changed, to which Mr. Hewlett responded that the original plan had warehouse space calculated at 1800 sq. ft. per EDU. He said he assumed the car wash, and health center would be reduced to 1 EDU each. Supervisor Fish said they would be charged based on their water usage. Mr. Hewlett asked where usage is calculated in the formula of the current proposed rates. Supervisor Fish said he did not see it for the car wash. Mr. Hewlett asked how he could be sure future rates would be set fairly based upon the way the current rate schedule was written, where usage is not factored in.

Councilmember Stewart said the engineers may have missed it, but that many concerns have been addressed in advance in the current document. He stated that this process is not the Board vs. property owners in extension 5. Mr. Hewlett asked if there would be a vote on the rates at this meeting, to which Councilmember Stewart replied that he did not think they could based on the questions raised about the calculations. The Councilmember asked Counsel if the resolution should be tabled, or if they should move ahead and add additional details to it at a later date. Attorney Bruening suggested passing a resolution to approve rates for those who are calculated within the current rates, and adding to it at the next meeting to include others if Board members were comfortable with the calculations for the property types that were included in the document.

Supervisor Fish said they know some types of facilities would have to be calculated as things arise, and offered schools as an example. He asked rhetorically how much a school discharges into a sewer, and said a school may need to be calculated separately by engineers and may need a separate meter for sewer to determine how much is actually entering the sewer line. Mr. Hewlett said would tap into sewer if he were a new facility coming into the Town, because a large facility on sewer is cheaper than septic. He said if he were the health center or car wash, and they were assessed more than 1 EDU, they should grieve it because as the current schedule is written, it says it should be 1 EDU. Councilmember Stewart said there would need to be special use properties and offered the car wash as an example, who has a large water recycling operation. He said in those instances it should be meter in, meter out as it is in South Glens Falls Village. Mr. Hewlett asked if metering was allowed there, and Councilmember Stewart said a property owner is allowed 2 meters on property.

The Councilmember questioned whether it would lock the Town into the rates in the current schedule for all of 2025 if they approved it. Counsel said no, that it could be changed at any time, and suggested umbrella language be added to state that calculations for uses not specified in the current rates would be determined later. Councilmember Stewart agreed with the umbrella language suggestion. Councilmember Killian said he favored tabling a motion to adopt the proposed schedule. Questioned on the timing of sewer billing, Supervisor Fish said bills are set to go out for June 1, 2025. Councilmembers Killian and Stewart indicated they would prefer to table any action on sewer rates to allow time to refine the language of the resolution. Councilmember Stewart asked if there could be any issue with the Board having passed the sewer law without also setting the rate. Counsel said the only restriction is that the law must pass before rates are set, and that they should have rates in time for June billing. Supervisor Fish asked Dave Rogge if he had received any bills yet. Mr. Rogge said he gets a bill every month.

Dave Rogge asked to address the Board. He said he has raised rents in his park to the maximum for two years, and that he has to contend with fixed rates. He said every time they come before the Board, something different is proposed, and that they needed something reasonable. He said Lamplighter Acres is like a Town, and every change he makes has to work for all his residents, and has to consider every aspect of changes he wants to make. He said he did not want to see changes down the road, and that if additions or changes were needed, that it should be done now so he knows how to budget for the expenses for his four businesses. He said he knew this Board did not put the whole plan together, and that the past administration pushed it on them with many

promises for the future. He said it needs to work for everyone and be fair to everyone involved and if they want to charge for usage, the Board should put usage in now.

Maureen Dennis asked for a list of what properties made up the EDU counts in extensions 1-4 because by her calculations, she said the number is off. She also asked if the EDU assignments would apply to water and sewer. Supervisor Fish said this was for sewer only, and that he could not answer whether water EDUs would be different because he hadn't looked at water EDU assignments. Councilmember Stewart said he thought they would have to have two different schedules for water and sewer. Supervisor Fish said water would be worked on and said Ms. Dennis was correct, that Schermerhorn Real Estate Holdings was being charged by the number of apartments, and not by the meters. She agreed but said that was not the direction her question was going. She said if water and sewer would be billed together, it would be confusing for some if there were two different EDU counts. Again, Councilmember Stewart suggested tabling for clarification, with Councilmember Donohue agreeing and thanking those who addressed the Board for pointing out the various issues. Councilmember Killian thanked everyone for their patience.

TOWN COURT

Supervisor Fish said that the Court had applied for and been awarded a grant for file digitization, and that the funds had already been received, therefore he asked the Town Clerk to read a prepared resolution. She read:

“Whereas, the Moreau Town Court was awarded a JCAP grant under the 2024-2025 cycle, in the amount of \$30,000; and

Whereas, the Moreau Town Court desires to complete a digitization of the entire stored Court Files; therefore,

Be it resolved, that the Town Board of the Town of Moreau authorizes the expenditure of \$30,000, payable to SecureScan, for document scanning.”

Resolution 133-2025 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Supervisor said there were several requests for recreation, so he asked that the Town Clerk read each resolution. She read:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board authorizes the advertising of vacant positions for 2025 seasonal Sandbar Beach Lifeguards at a rate of \$20.00/hour and for 2025 seasonal Recreation Laborers at a rate range of \$15.50-\$21.00/hour.”

Resolution 134-2025 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

The Town Clerk read the following prepared resolution:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement with South Glens Falls Girls Softball for the Town to accept the gift of the batting cages at the Quad Softball Fields.”

Resolution 135-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Killian, seconded by Councilmember Stewart to approve the resolution as read.

Discussion: Councilmember Stewart thanked the softball organization for raising the funds and said the batting cages were “top notch.”

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

The Town Clerk read the following prepared resolution:

“Be it resolved, that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign the spring 2025 contracts with South Glens Falls Girls Softball, South Glens Falls Youth Baseball and the Northeast Hurricanes, pending attorney review.”

Resolution 136-2025 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

Discussion: Councilmember Stewart said if there was any debris or anything that needed to be cleaned up, it would need to be specified in the contract.

Discussion: Supervisor Fish said the Recreation Director reached out to three companies and received only one quote. The total for services proposed in the quote totaled \$21,454.27. Councilmember Stewart said the total was above what had been budgeted. Rec. Director Brogan said the Town has an aerator so that part of the quote was not needed. Without aeration, Mr. Brogan confirmed that there were sufficient funds to cover the expenses.

Resolution 137-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to approve \$19,454.27 for Turf Management Company to perform standard turf management and overseeding.

Discussion: Councilmember Killian asked what kind of seeder would be used. Mr. Brogan said he would find out. The Councilmember also asked how many acres would be overseeded. Mr. Brogan said it was just the Bowl area.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

Supervisor Fish said three quotes had been obtained for Port-a-Potties for the Recreation Park. The Town Clerk read the following prepared resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes an expenditure, not to exceed \$5,265, payable to Stone Industries, for the rental of two traditional size and one handicap portable toilets for the Harry Betar Rec Park for the 2025 season.”

Resolution 138-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Stewart 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

Supervisor Fish said three bids had been obtained for dumpsters.

Resolution 139-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to authorize an amount not to exceed \$3,600 per year, payable to Twin Bridges Waste & Recycling, for two (2) 10-yard dumpsters and one (1) 3-yard dumpster.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

Supervisor Fish said three quotes had been received for Ventrac attachments.

Resolution 140-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to approve an amount not to exceed \$8,175.20, payable to MTE Equipment Solutions for the purchase of Ventrac attachments consisting of a ballpark renovator, groomer and sod cutter, to be paid from account A7140.2.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

Discussion: Recreation Director Brogan said a parent who is a licensed painter had offered to paint or stain the concession stand, volunteering his time and materials. The volunteer wanted to know what color(s) the Board would like to paint the concession stand, Mr. Brogan said. Photos of a sample section of the building which had been painted already had been sent to Board members, he said. The sample section was red and blue, he said, and the other buildings in the park are more natural colored stain. Councilmember Donohue said he liked the red and blue, which are the school colors. Councilmember Killian agreed. Councilmember Stewart said the blue board and red batten looked good. Director Brogan said painting the cement portion of the dugouts was also offered.

Resolution 141-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to approve red and blue paint colors for the boys' concession stand, dugouts to be painted by the volunteer, pending proof of insurance.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

Discussion: Councilmember Donohue thanked Director Brogan and Councilmember Stewart for the work they had done on proposed equipment acquisitions planned to replace old equipment. The playground improvements are intended to be a two-phase project, he said, and replacing the equipment on the hill in the Recreation Park would be phase one. He said phase two involves a grant application of \$100,000 which is out to State Assemblywoman Woerner which would secure funds for expansion and improvement to the adaptive playground, allowing all the kids to play together. He said that the committee would be meeting with a specialist soon. Councilmember Stewart said the equipment that would be proposed at this meeting would be funded through the reserve capital account dedicated to exactly this type of purpose. He said the account had over \$700,000 in it, and he was glad to see the Board using some of those funds for this project. Councilmember Donohue interjected that some of the equipment included ADA compliant features, such as a swing that allows the parent to swing with the child. Councilmember Stewart added the equipment is also for all ages.

Supervisor Fish said that with phase two grant funds he hoped to replace the wood chip mulch with black mat material that will make the area accessible to wheelchairs, and that some swings would be installed that allow a child in a wheelchair to swing without being taken out of their wheelchair. He said it was important that every child have a chance to swing, regardless of the level of disability. He said the smiles you see on the kids' faces are so nice, and though it seems like something small, it means the world to the kids. Supervisor Fish spoke about Double H Hole in the Woods (Double H Ranch), and that when a high ropes course was being constructed for the kids there, the workers on the project told Paul Newman (co-founder of the facility with Charles R. Wood) that they thought he was trying to kill the children. The Supervisor said Mr. Newman traveled to the ranch, a child was hooked up to the line, and the child screamed and kicked their feet all the whole way down the line. The Supervisor said Mr. Newman said that was perfect and exactly what he was looking for, thanking the staff. Supervisor Fish said he was looking forward to seeing a whole new playground at the Recreation Park.

The Town Clerk read the following prepared resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes the following expenditures for the purchase of playground equipment, for the Harry J. Betar Rec Park, to be paid out of the recreation capital reserve account, subject to notice of permissive referendum:

Double Sand & Water Spot from bciburke.com at an amount not to exceed \$3,359.00 plus approximately \$500 for shipping.

RockWell Teeter Quad Spring Rider from proplaygrounds.com at an amount not to exceed \$2,843.

Huntsville Playground from Willygoat.com at an amount not to exceed \$41,816.

Expression Swings from gametime.com:
#5165 at an amount not to exceed \$3,028
#5158 at an amount not to exceed \$2,456
#5168 at an amount not to exceed \$2,757
#5128 at an amount not to exceed \$2,017
With shipping not to exceed \$600

5-inch Single Post Swing Frame from playgroundboss.com at an amount not to exceed \$4,111.17.

Xscape Swing from gametime.com at an amount not to exceed \$5,400.”

Resolution 142-2025 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:

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Moreau was held at 7:00 p.m. on March 25, 2025 at the Moreau Municipal Building, 351 Reynolds Road, Moreau, Saratoga County, New York.

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

The motion carried 4:0.

Councilmember Donohue said he had photos of the equipment if anyone wanted to look at them after the meeting.

WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT

The Town Clerk read the following prepared resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes Jeffery Parish to attend the Adirondack Water Works Conference in Latham on March 26, 2025 at a cost of \$75.00 to be paid out of account CW8160.4.”

Resolution 143-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Stewart 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

The Town Clerk read the following prepared resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes Jeffery Parish to attend the New York Water Event on Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at a cost of \$90.00 to be paid from account CW8310.4.”

Resolution 144-2025 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

Supervisor Fish added that these trainings were part of Mr. Parish’s continuing education to retain his license.

The Town Clerk read the following prepared resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Town Boards authorizes the addition of \$30.25 for shipping to the previously approved purchase of a tapping kit from USA BlueBook.”

Resolution 145-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Killian to approve the resolution as read.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

The Town Clerk read the following prepared resolution:

“**Be it resolved** that the Town Board authorizes the addition of up to \$150 for shipping for the previously approved purchase of an E/One grinder pump cart.”

Resolution 146-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Killian 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

Discussion: Supervisor Fish said there was a sewer leak in Lamplighter Acres, and they didn’t know if the leak was between the home and the grinder pump, or the grinder pump and the main line. He said the Town equipment is too large to fit between the homes, so IBS Septic had provided the Town with a proposal to do the work.

Resolution 147-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Killian to approve a payment in the amount of \$2,900 to IBS Septic for a sewer leak repair in Lamplighter Acres.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Supervisor Fish said the Deputy Town Clerks had applied to attend an annual Clerk conference and that the Town Clerk's office would remain open during the conference. He asked the Town Clerk to read the following prepared resolution:

"Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes Deputy Clerks Dianne Lewis and Maria Jennings to attend the NYSTCA Conference in Syracuse from April 27-30, at an amount not to exceed \$2,400.00."

Resolution 148-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Stewart 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

Supervisor Fish asked the Town Clerk to open discussion around the topic of the Peddler's License. Town Clerk Trombley said the topic had arisen the previous year, continued through the summer, but that discussion died off at season-end. She said an application this spring brought it back to her attention that the current Town code does not cover many things that she thinks it should. She said the licenses are issued for sales of a variety of things; books, ice cream, fireworks, etc., and that the documentation the code requires doesn't provide adequate information to determine whether someone was safe to allow to travel around the community selling things. She said as the law stands, the only way she can refuse to issue a license is if the Clerk believes there is a safety concern. She said the code was passed in 1973 and didn't envision food trucks, for example, and that Department of Health permits were not required, nor are background checks, motor vehicle or liability insurance required in the code. She continued, saying a \$1,000 bond is required, but the code doesn't say what it is for, or that cash can be held in lieu of the bond, which was an issue that arose with an application in 2024.

She said she had drafted a lengthy document that raised these concerns, logistical concerns, and offered some suggestions, and that this document had been shared with the Board. She stated that she wanted the Board's input on some of the issues because depending on their preference, it can shape the direction of the new code. Councilmember Stewart said he agreed that the law was out of date and that the timeframe of the license in the law didn't make sense—that an applicant who receives a license in the spring has to re-apply and pay a second fee at the end of June to continue to sell for the rest of the summer. Ms. Trombley confirmed that the current code specifies that all licenses expire July 1.

The Councilmember suggested Counsel draft something updated based upon his experience working with other municipalities who may already have addressed these issues. He said we want to protect the Town, but also not to create too many hoops for a potential vendor who wants to sell in the Town. Ms. Trombley said she had reviewed other regional peddler's license laws with BPD Coordinator Westfall, and they found that generally they were really not that good with the exceptions of Troy and Albany. She cited as an example language stating that a group was exempt, but that the exemption was not defined—exempt from the fee? Exempt from applying? Exempt from selling?

Councilmember Killian suggested focusing on three areas to begin with, such as whether the person has a driver's license. Ms. Trombley said, in some cases the person may be selling on foot, so a license or liability insurance may not be necessary. She said she felt that the emphasis should be more on screening than enforcement, because the question becomes who the enforcer will be to determine whether the vendor gets a ticket or has their license revoked. Councilmember Stewart said he would like to see some type of financial retainer to ensure that the vendor cleans up the site before departing. Agreeing, Ms. Trombley said that food vendors having a trash receptacle should also be part of the requirements to prevent litter as well. Another topic for consideration is appropriate locations for the various types of sales, she said.

Citing a conversation with the Clerk, Councilmember Stewart said he looked forward to recommendations that Counsel, the Town Clerk, and the BPD Coordinator come up with, adding that shorter term licenses should be considered, such as weekend licenses or special event licenses. Councilmember Donohue said he hoped to simplify everything into a code that covers as many bases as possible without trying to imagine every scenario. Councilmember Killian agreed and said the Town should try to keep it simple and fun.

Supervisor Fish asked the Clerk to read a prepared resolution related to proposed changes to the form and fee for genealogical searches. She read:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes the rollout of the proposed Genealogical Search Fee and Application for Search and Copy of Vital Records, as attached, per the Town Clerk's request.”

Resolution 149-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Killian to approve the resolution as read.

Discussion: Councilmember Stewart asked the Clerk to summarize the proposed changes. She said that the old vital records request form does not include anything about genealogical searches, though the Town website says this type of search is offered. The old form also does not include cemetery or burial record search information, she said. At that time, she said the established fees were \$10 for a certified copy, which is the legal copy with the embossed seal, and \$1 for a genealogical record, which is essentially a photocopy. Since most of the information needed for vital records requests are the same as for genealogical searches and burial/cemetery records, she said it made sense to integrate them, but also to include the rules imposed by the state for vital and genealogical record requests, since access to vital records of various types is restricted.

Ms. Trombley added that burial and cemetery records were not in order for easy searching, so each request for these records would require an investment of time. Also, if someone is asking for genealogical records, often the requester does not have complete information, she said, such as the maiden name of a great-great-grandmother in order to locate a birth or marriage record. Without a full set of information, she said it is difficult for her staff to determine whether the Town has the record. If the requestor knows the name and birth date or marriage date, Town Clerk staff can quickly look in the vital indexes to determine whether the record exists. She described how someone may contact the office to locate information, and after a search which may take hours, the person is informed that the staff does have the record, the person says “Thanks,” and hangs up the phone, paying nothing because they did not request a copy of the record.

Ms. Trombley said her office is receiving numerous requests of these types of records for Real ID purposes—anyone whose last name does not match their birth certificate has to prove why they changed their name to obtain Real ID, so married women in particular are looking for copies of marriage licenses. She said many do not know where they got their license, where they got married, or even the date of the marriage. She said she mentioned this to a presenter from the State at the NY Association of Towns conference the month before, and he said the Town should have a search fee. The Clerk said the State has a \$30 search fee, and that in Glens Falls, you have to apply and pay a \$10 fee before they will look to see if they have the record. Whether they have it or not, your fee is not refunded, she said, adding that this is not what she was proposing.

She said she was proposing the current fees for documents remain the same, with the addition of a \$10 fee for searches for records with incomplete information, or burial/cemetery records, since they cannot be easily searched. Councilmember Stewart said his concern was that the resident who comes in once in 10 years would have to pay a fee when they may not use other services, and he didn't want to see this as a money-making opportunity. On the other hand, he said, the fee could be a deterrent for those who might abuse the service, and the time of those involved should be respected. He said he felt that the proposed fees balanced the two sides of the issue. The Town Clerk said that when someone comes in with incomplete information, they generally know it may be a lengthy search.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

TOWN LANDFILL

Supervisor Fish said landfill monitoring is required by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, and that the Town has received the 2025 proposal from CT Male for the service. He asked the Town Clerk to read the following prepared resolution:

“Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign the proposed contract with CT Male for 2025 Landfill Monitoring, which includes an annual estimated total of \$14,913.30.”

Resolution 150-2025 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

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

“Be it resolved that the Town Board accepts the February Monthly Department Head Reports for the Assessor's Office and the Town Clerk's Office.”

Resolution 151-2025 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

FORESIGHT FIRE ALARM

Supervisor Fish said there had been concerns with the Foresight alarm sounding in Town Hall's basement. He asked the Town Clerk to read a resolution. She read:

"Be it resolved that the Town Board authorizes the Supervisor to sign the agreement with Foresight Electronic Monitoring for an amount not to exceed \$1,029.70 for the purpose of replacing the fire alarm dialer at the Town Hall."

Resolution 152-2025 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0. *(This resolution was later rescinded by Resolution 192-2025)*

LOCAL LAW NO. 6 OF 2025

Supervisor Fish explained that the proposed local law had to do with the list of Town employees and committee members who would be required to complete an ethics packet annually, and that this required a public hearing. He asked Clerk Trombley to read a prepared resolution. She read:

"Be it resolved that the Town Board will set a public hearing for proposed Local Law 6 of 2025 at 7:01pm on Tuesday, April 29, 2025."

Resolution 153-2025 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

Resolution 154-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Turf Management contract previously approved.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Dave Rogge said, with regard to the sewer leak in Lamplighter Acres, that he was sure the leak was between the pump and main line because the line between the home and pump is not pressurized. Supervisor Fish asked if there was a check valve in the line, to which Mr. Rogge said he believed the check valve was after the pump. He said if the line was backing up between the house and pump, it would be in the house, and not coming up out of the ground. He said the issue isn't present all the time, more often in the morning, but that there is a lot of force on the main line side of the pump. Supervisor Fish asked if Mr. Rogge knew which house it was coming from. Mr. Rogge said he knew the area, and that two pumps and the main line pass through there. He said he believed it was the main line leaking. He said he didn't think the Town was responsible for it and asked if there was any recourse for mistakes that may have been made by the sewer line installers. The Supervisor said that if they dig it up and find it is the Town's responsibility, then the Town would have to pay. And if not, the expense would be on Mr. Rogge. Mr. Rogge said no. The Supervisor said the one-year warranty period was over so there is no recourse for errors made by the installer. Mr. Rogge said he was just trying to see if there was a way for the Town to recover the cost.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation Director Brogan thanks Highway Superintendent Chris Abrams and his team for assistance with siding, rebuilding equipment, and hauling soil.

Councilmember Killian said the Building Department needs software and a bigger monitor for BPD Coordinator Westfall, who was using a laptop with a tiny screen. The Councilmember said it hurt his eyes to look at it in a recent meeting with the department head. He also said the Board room should have updated technology in the form of a 70- or 90-inch screen on the wall, rather than old-fashioned projector technology.

SUPERVISOR'S ITEMS

No items to report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Resolution 155-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Stewart, seconded by Councilmember Donohue to enter into executive session to discuss possible employment.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0. The Board entered executive session at 8:47 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 9:06 p.m., and Supervisor Fish said no action had been taken in Executive session.

BUILDING, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

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

“Be it resolved that the Town Board will hire Peter Bachem as a full time Code Enforcement Officer at a salary of \$56,000 per year, beginning as soon as March 31, 2025.”

Resolution 156-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Killian 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

TRANSFER STATION

“Be it resolved that the Town Board will hire Marsha Morehouse as the Transfer Station Working Manager at an hourly rate of \$22/hour for up to 20 hours per week, effective March 31, 2025.”

Resolution 157-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Stewart 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	Absent
Councilmember Stewart	Aye
Supervisor Fish	Aye

The motion carried 4:0.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution 158-2025 A motion was made by Councilmember Donohue, seconded by Councilmember Stewart, to adjourn the meeting.

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

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

The motion carried 4:0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Erin Trombley
Erin Trombley, Town Clerk