

Town of Murray Board Meeting
September 10, 2019

Present: Supervisor Robert Miller, Councilmen Lloyd Christ, Paul Hendel and Michael Mele, Town Clerk Cindy Oliver, Attorney Jeffrey Martin, Assessor Lynn Wood, Louise Passarell, Paul Chatfield and Matt Horn of MRB Group, Richard Downey, David Piedmonte, Michael Vinca, Shirley Bader, Joe Sidonio, Kellie Gregoire

Pledge to the flag.

Motion by Mele, Seconded by Christ approving the minutes of the August meeting as submitted Motion Carried

Assessor

This will be Lynn Wood's last meeting in attendance as our Town Assessor as his term ends at the end of this month. The Board thanked Lynn for his 25 years of service.

Lynn and Louise spent a full day on the road looking at property improvements. There is one new structure they still need to look through.

New Business

Paul Chatfield and Matt Horn of MRB Group discussed their proposal to consider a GIS system for our water department and their proposal to consult on an update for the Town's Comprehensive Plan. Matt gave an overview of what the Comprehensive Plan Update would entail; forming a steering committee composed of town residents, a resident survey that would help to establish a clear vision and set of core values. Paul spoke about the GIS system for all of the Town's water districts. It is important to have current records of all districts, especially the older ones where the records are not very detailed. This would entail identifying and getting coordinates for valves, hydrants, meter pits, services, etc. to develop a GIS map.

Motion by Mele, Seconded by Christ adopting the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, that proposed Town of Murray Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2019 entitled "A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 2 of 1986 Authorizing the Conduct of Games of Chance in the Town of Murray" be and the same hereby is introduced, and a public hearing shall be held on October 8, 2019 at 7:00 PM to consider the adoption of such local law; and it is further

RESOLVED, that Jeffrey R. Martin, Attorney for the Town of Murray shall arrange for the publication of a legal notice in *The Batavia Daily News* at least five (5) days in advance of such public hearing.”

Upon being put to a vote, the following voted in favor of adoption of the resolution: Councilmen Lloyd Christ, Paul Hendel, Michael Mele and Supervisor Robert Miller.

Councilman Neil Valentine was absent from the meeting.

The resolution was thereupon declared adopted.

The proposed local law will be put on the Town website and a copy will be in the Town Clerk’s office for those who wish to see it.

Motion by Hendel, Seconded by Christ to adopt the following resolution:

“RESOLVED, that the Town of Murray Justice Court is authorized to apply for a Justice Court Assistance Program (JCAP) grant for the 2019-2020 cycle up to \$30,000.

Upon being put to a vote, the following voted in favor of adoption of the resolution: Councilmen Lloyd Christ, Paul Hendel, Michael Mele and Supervisor Robert Miller.

Councilman Neil Valentin was absent from the meeting.

The resolution was thereupon declared adopted.

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Hendel that the following resolution be adopted:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Murray hereby authorizes Highway Superintendent Edward Morgan to enter into a 5-year Snow and Ice contract with New York State DOT with labor and materials to be adjusted annually.”

Upon being put to a vote, the following voted in favor of adoption of the resolution: Councilmen Lloyd Christ, Paul Hendel, Michael Mele, and Supervisor Robert Miller.

The following was absent from the vote: Councilman Neil Valentine

The following voted against adoption: none

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Mele appointing Louise Passarell as Assessor for the Town of Murray to a six-year term beginning October 1, 2019 and ending September 30, 2025 Motion Carried

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Hendel appointing Lynn Wood as Assistant to the Assessor beginning October 1, 2019 Motion Carried

Attorney

The Affordable Senior Housing district may be moving forward. The regulations have been modified. The Planning Board wanted a chance to review the revisions and then presumably make a recommendation to the Town Board. The regulations would be put in local law form as it would be an amendment to the zoning ordinance. The process from start to finish will probably be 4-5 months before a permit could be issued.

Town Clerk

Receipts for August totaled \$2,079.00 with \$816.21 going into the general fund.

Supervisor Miller informed all that representatives from Wendel gave him a presentation yesterday and will be submitting quotes for the Comprehensive Plan update. The Board will look at the quotes once they are received them and make a decision.

Public Comments

Dave Piedmonte spoke of an incident he had with a rabid woodchuck. The game warden told him they have received many calls about rabid raccoons and woodchucks. The DEC cannot personally come to all calls but advised Dave that they should be buried in a hole and bleach can be poured over top. DEC has also received calls about young coyotes which can be a threat to dogs, chickens, etc. There was also a report of a rabid cat in the Village.

Joe Sidonio asked if Mr. Horn from MRB Group looked at our current Comprehensive Plan. He was provided a copy of it. Wendel also has a copy of the current plan.

Richard Downey said after you bury a rabid animal it is important that you wash the tools you use such as your shovel.

Kellie Gregoire asked if there was a steering committee for the Comprehensive Plan already in place. Supervisor Miller informed her that presently, the Board is just gathering quotes. No committee will be set up until the Board makes a decision.

Motion by Hendel, Seconded by Christ to approve the Supervisor's financial report and that the following bills be paid: Motion Carried

General Fund	\$38,583.09
Highway Fund	\$30,201.71
Water District No. 1	\$383.25
Water District No. 2	\$13,592.25
Water District No. 3	\$494.99
Water District No. 4	\$137.15
Water District No. 5	\$63.30
Water District No. 6	\$5,660.12
Water District No. 7	\$437.83
Water District No. 8	\$316.51
Water District No. 9	\$100.23
Water District No. 10	\$145.02
Water District No. 11	\$4,739.12
Water District No. 12	\$126.60
Water District No. 13	\$152.98
Water District No. 14	\$42.20
Water District No. 15	\$290.13
Water District No. 16	\$63.30
Water District No. 20	\$0.00

Motion by Mele, Seconded by Christ to adjourn the meeting Motion Carried

So adjourned at 8:10 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia L. Oliver