

Murray Town Board Work Meeting

October 5, 2022

Present: Supervisor Joseph Sidonio, Councilmen Randall Bower, Paul Hendel and Michael Mele, Town Clerk Cindy Oliver, Highway and Water Superintendent Dirk Lammes, Art Knab, Elaine Berg

Absent: Councilman Lloyd Christ

Moment of silence and pledge to the flag.

Supervisor Sidonio said that Charlie Diehl wanted to speak to the town board as he has questions regarding the water line and charges he is paying. He could not be present but may be calling in.

Brief discussion regarding Sam & Son's project.

RESOLUTION 2022-038

At a work meeting of the Murray Town Board held on October 5, 2022, Councilman Paul Hendel moved adoption of the following resolution; Councilman Randall Bower seconded the motion:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Murray accept the Engineer's Report (BME Associates) dated June 2022 (project #2814), detailing the water line extension along Lynch Road to service the facilities at Sam and Son, 15631 Lynch Road; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Murray accept the dedication of said water line into the Town of Murray's water district, contingent on the approval of the construction from the Orleans County Health Department and the Town of Murray Water Superintendent.

Upon being put to a vote, the following voted in favor of adoption of the resolution: Councilman Randall Bower, Councilman Paul Hendel, Councilman Michael Mele, Supervisor Joseph Sidonio

The following was absent from the vote: Councilman Lloyd Christ

The resolution was thereupon adopted.

RESOLUTION 2022-039

At a work meeting of the Murray Town Board held on October 5, 2022, Councilman Michael Mele moved adoption of the following resolution; Councilman Randall Bower seconded the motion:

BE IT RESOLVED that the voucher in the amount of \$2,500.00 for the Joint Youth Recreation program that was approved for payment on September 19th be voided and a corrected

voucher for the Joint Youth Recreation program in the amount of \$2,000.00 be approved for payment.

Upon being put to a vote, the following voted in favor of adoption of the resolution: Councilman Randall Bower, Councilman Paul Hendel, Councilman Michael Mele and Supervisor Joseph Sidonio

The following was absent from the vote: Councilman Lloyd Christ

The resolution was thereupon adopted.

As in previous years, we will be introducing proposed local law no. 1 of 2022, to override the tax levy limit. This is being done as a precautionary measure and does not mean the budget will be over the tax cap.

RESOLUTION 2022-040

At a work meeting of the Murray Town Board held on October 5, 2022, Councilman Michael Mele moved adoption of the following resolution: Councilman Randall Bower seconded the motion:

RESOLVED, that the proposed Town of Murray Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2022 entitled “A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law Section 3-c” be and the same hereby is introduced, and a public hearing shall be held on a date to be determined to consider adoption of such local law; and it is further

RESOLVED, that Cynthia Oliver, Clerk of the Town of Murray, shall attend to publishing 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: Councilman Randall Bower, Councilman Paul Hendel, Councilman Michael Mele, Supervisor Joseph Sidonio

The following was absent from the vote: Councilman Lloyd Christ

The resolution was thereupon adopted.

The tentative budget was discussed. Topics included raises for department clerks, Highway Superintendent and Town Clerk. Councilman Hendel thinks we should not be taking so much out of fund balance and decreasing taxes. Why not hold taxes at 0% and take less out of fund balance? Councilman Hendel stated it is not wise to use our fund balance to reduce tax rates. Supervisor Sidonio said the comptroller frowns upon a big fund balance.

Discussion of what the fund balance is there for. Dirk said that there are many things that need to be done to the building. Many repairs are needed.

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Water fund balance was briefly discussed. Water rates were also discussed.

All in agreement to give Shelby the changes discussed and see where we are after that.

Motion by Hendel, Seconded by Mele to adjourn the work meeting at 9:13 p.m.

Motion Carried

So, adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia L. Oliver