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Murray Town Board Meeting

March 18, 2024

Present: Supervisor Gerald Rightmyer, Councilpersons Elaine Berg, Randall Bower, Michael Christopher, Town Clerk Cindy Oliver, Kellie Gregoire, Stacey Keon, Dave Knapp, Donna Smith, Sandy Shaw

Absent: Councilperson Lloyd Christ

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Rightmyer

Pledge to the flag.

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Chritopher approving the minutes of the February Town Board meeting and the March work meeting as submitted Motion Carried

Town Clerk

Receipts for February totaled \$407.20 with \$377.48 going into the general fund.

Board received a collection summary of taxes collected to date.

Highway and Water Department

No report.

Assessor

No report.

Code Enforcement, Planning, Zoning

Building Permits Issued:	4	Pole Barn
		Remodel
		Generator
		Wood Stove
Building Inspections:	7	
Certificate of Compliance:	1	Pole Barn
Complaints Received:	1	Chickens roaming

Chad has completed his required yearly training.
Continuing to work on researching electrical inspection code
Continuing research of sub-division code and design criteria and construction specifications for land development.

Zoning Board of Appeals

No appeals for the month of March

Planning Board

No agenda items for the month of March

Legislator

Legislator Fitzak was present and informed all of the shared services meeting being held on Thursday at 7:00 p.m.

The district Court study is completed and is posted on the county website. At next Tuesday's Association of Municipalities meeting District Attorney Cardone will present a district court summary.

New Business

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-016

At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Murray, duly held on March 18, 2024, Councilperson Elaine Berg moved adoption of the following resolution; Councilperson Randall Bower seconded the motion:

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Murray hereby accepts the audit report of the Town of Murray Justice Court for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2023, performed on March 11, 2024 by Supervisor Gerald Rightmyer and Councilperson Michael Christopher.

Upon being put to a vote, the resolution was thereupon adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-017

At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Murray, duly held on March 18, 2024, Councilperson Elaine Berg moved adoption of the following resolution; Councilperson Michael Christopher seconded the motion:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Murray hereby accepts the updated fee schedule for the building, planning and zoning departments.

Upon being put to a vote, the resolution was adopted.

Tomorrow the repairs to the meeting/court room will begin. Panels will be taken off and drywall will be installed.

We have had continuous problems with our live-streaming. IT pinpointed the problem. A new receiver has been ordered as the old one is discontinued and no parts are available. Hopefully next month it will be up and running.

Public Comments

Sandy Shaw, Community Free Library Director gave the Town eclipse glasses for residents. She also reminded all that the Wine Tasting and Farmer's Market will take place on April 26th from 7 pm -9 pm at the library. All proceeds will go towards the library's summer program.

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David Paul entered the meeting.

Supervisor Rightmyer attended an EMS meeting this morning regarding managing traffic, and other events related to the April 8th eclipse. There are watching events at the Orleans County Fairgrounds, Big Guys Campground and in Kendall.

Stacey Keon of West Brockville Road talked about the Kathy Hochul grant for public water. Other than that, are there any other cost savings the town can look at? Funds were given to the town from the government. Everyone around them has water and somehow, they were forgotten. It is not a want; it is a need.

Supervisor Rightmyer stated that he has worked diligently to try to provide water to the areas in question. He had engineers come in and they came up with numbers and a bond-repayment amount. A resident is incorrect in expecting a water line will be installed at no cost to them is mistaken. Every residence must pay. When two of the very few households requesting water state that they cannot afford to pay anything, there is not much the town can do. Anyone with public water pays a bond repayment for 30 or more years. More houses need to be involved in order to bring the cost down. Supervisor Rightmyer has left notes on doors with no reply. To say that the town has not worked on finding ways to provide those areas with public water is not true.

Kelly Gregoire of Ridge Road asked if she could have the information that Judge Spada gave to the Board last month regarding transitioning from two justices to one. Cindy will email her the information.

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Berg approving the Supervisor’s financial report and that the following bills be paid: Motion Carried

General Fund	\$30,963.59
Highway Fund	\$5,536.70
Water District No. 6	\$1,770.99
Water District No. 7	\$1,170.06
Water District No. 9	\$219.89
Water District No. 10	\$579.83
Water District No. 11	\$1,344.53
Water District No. 12	\$225.83
Water District No. 15	\$38.29
Street Light Fund	\$751.09

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Berg to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried

So adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia L. Oliver

