Town of Mount Morris Regular Meeting December 16, 2021

Present: Supervisor Charles DiPasquale, Deputy Supervisor/Councilmember David DiSalvo,

and Councilmembers Don Huff, and Nate Guzzardi

Excused: Chelsey Woodworth

Also present: Assessor Brian Knapp, Highway Superintendent Sam Cipriano, Code Officer Shawn Grasby, David Swanson, Jeff Swanson, Colleen Coburn, Attorney Serena Compitello, Town Clerk-Elect Nicole Davis, Groveland Town Clerk Kim Burgess, Leicester Town Clerk Amy Neumann, Avon Town Clerk Sharon Knight, and Town Clerk Christie Murphy

At 6:30 p.m. Supervisor DiPasquale opened the Town Board meeting at the Town Hall, 103 Main Street, Mount Morris, NY. Nicole Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Kim Burgess, President of the Livingston County Town Clerks Association, made the following Proclamation:

Whereas, The Office of the Municipal Clerk, a time honored and vital part of the local government, exists through the world and is the oldest among public servants; and

Whereas, Christie served as the Town Clerk beginning January 1, 2002 and continues until December 31, 2021; and

Whereas, Christie provided the professional link between Mt. Morris citizens and all that entered the Town Hall, the local governing bodies and agencies of government at other levels; and

Whereas, Christie pledged to be ever mindful of her neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all and served as the information center on functions of local government; and

Whereas, Christie always shared support and a loving kindness that was contagious amongst her fellow Clerks while keeping things active; and

Whereas, Christie had the pleasure of serving alongside Supervisor, Charles "Chief" DiPasquale and the Town Councilmembers while serving as the elected Mt. Morris Town Clerk; and

Whereas, Christie strived to improve the administration of the affairs of the Office of Municipal Clerk through participation in education programs, seminars, workshops and the annual meetings of New York State Town Clerk's Association, and

Whereas, it is most appropriate that the Livingston County Town Clerks and Tax Collectors Association recognize the longstanding service of Mrs. Christie Murphy; and now

Therefore, Be it Resolved that the President of the Livingston County Town Clerks and Tax Collectors Association will be forever grateful for the dedication and professional service of Mrs. Christie Murphy.

David Swanson asked why the Town hasn't paid him for the trees they destroyed from his property. Attorney Compitello replied that the Town settled this issue in court months ago, and there will be no such payment. Mr. Swanson stated that the Town mowed down his trees more than once, and had him arrested. The Attorney told Mr. Swanson that this has been resolved in court. If he's not happy with the resolution, he can contact his lawyer.

Assessor Knapp congratulated Town Clerk Murphy on her upcoming retirement. He informed the Board that he's working on property re-evaluation. He's completed the residential property, and will be doing the commercial property next. The attorney for the Lamplighter lawsuit failed to reply until 11:30 p.m. on the last day. This case has now been adjourned until February 4th. He also sent out exemption renewals in October. Preliminary assessment notices will be mailed out the end of February. Mid-March through April he will be holding informal meetings with property owners to discuss assessments. There will be significant changes in the housing values due to the market shift. Solar farm assessments are based on a formula devised by New York State.

Supervisor DiPasquale asked about new construction. Code Officer Grasby replied that Walgreens has proposed a new smaller drive-thru store next to McDonalds. This property is in the floodplain and will need to be built up, but they need to provide proper drainage to prevent further flooding in the plaza parking lot. Mr. Grasby also reported that all the solar farm projects are moving forward. The Route 408 project has the panels in place, while the Creek and Hendershot Road projects are still having the support structure built.

The Board reviewe	d the Sup	erviso	r's Report. A m	otion	by Councilmember DiSalvo, seconded by	y	
Councilmember Guzzardi, to approve the November Supervisor's Report.							
Vote:	Aye	4	No	0	Motion passed		

The Board reviewed minutes for two meetings. A motion by Councilmember DiSalvo, seconded by Councilmember Huff, to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting on November 18, 2021.

Vote: Aye 3 No 0 Abstain Supervisor DiPasquale Motion passed A motion by Councilmember Huff, seconded by Councilmember DiSalvo, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting on November 23, 2021.

Vote: Aye 4 No 0 Motion passed

Councilmember Huff informed the Board that Superintendent Cipriano was out picking up limbs the other night in the windstorm.

Supervisor DiPasquale stated that he ran into David Swanson recently and Mr. Swanson praised the good job the Highway Department did cleaning up the downed limbs. Supervisor DiPasquale thanked the town officials who visited him and kept him updated during his recent recovery.

Superintendent Cipriano reported that the highway department has been busy ditching and getting the trucks ready for winter. There was a problem with one of the trucks, but hopefully it's been resolved. They are now working on maintenance and improvements to the fuel cage. Clerk Murphy reminded Mr. Cipriano that the work on the fuel cage needs to be invoiced to the Village and the Fire District for their share. Mr. Cipriano also stated that he's waiting for the overhead door.

Superintendent Cipriano stated that the highway department needs to trim some trees, so the attorney will draft a letter to be sent out to the property owners. This will probably result in a repeat visit from David Swanson. Clerk Murphy reminded the Board that the audience is there to observe the meeting and has no right to speak unless invited to do so. She suggested that the Supervisor limit speakers to two or three minutes and use a timer so that if someone rambles on, they can be told that their time is up.

Councilmember DiSalvo asked Superintendent Cipriano asked about the waterline on Route 408. Mr. Cipriano replied that they will need to flush it more often.

Councilmember Guzzardi made some phone calls regarding the disposal of recyclables. One company has no roll-offs available. Western New York Tire isn't taking new customers at this time due to a lack of drivers. He will contact Scofield in Stafford to inquire about their roll-off service. The Board members discussed options for the Transfer Station, and it was decided to stay with the refuse tickets for now, rather than switching to punch cards, and to leave the price the same. The Clerk will order enough tickets for half of the year, and the Board can re-evaluate the prices at that time. They will attempt to sell the papers and cardboard.

Councilmember DiSalvo reported that the ambulance had 113 calls, of which 102 were serviced. Five were for the prison, 35 were Advanced Life Support, and the rest were Basic Life Support. He informed the Board that the Fire Department has moved to 32 Mill Street. The turnout for the Fire District election was 48 voters. The Bonding for a new firetruck passed 45 to 3.

either needs to be r	eappointe member I	ed, or if he's	not interest anded by S	sted in s Supervi	n the Board of Assessment Review has expired. He serving again, someone else needs to be appointed. A sor DiPasquale to reappoint Sam Cipriano to the BAR. Motion passed		
The Clerk reminded the Board that a letter of resignation was received from Carl Swanson. A motion by Councilmember DiSalvo, seconded by Councilmember Guzzardi, to accept the resignation of Carl Swanson from the town's Transfer Station.							
Vote:	Aye	4	No	0	Motion passed		
The Board reviewed the Clerk's monthly report. A motion by Councilmember DiSalvo, seconded by Supervisor DiPasquale, to approve the Clerk's November report as presented. Vote: Aye 4 No 0 Motion passed							
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Abstract 12 and related vouchers were reviewed by the Town Board. A motion by Councilmember Huff, to approve Vouchers 0296-0322 on General A Abstract in the amount of \$64,386.94; seconded by Councilmember Guzzardi.

Vote Aye 4 No Motion passed. A motion by Councilmember DiSalvo to approve Vouchers 0071 - 0077 on General B Abstract in the amount of \$2,429.72; seconded by Supervisor DiPasquale. Motion passed. Aye

A motion by Councilmember Huff to approve Vouchers 0114 – 0125 on the Highway DA Abstract in the amount of \$21,042.76; seconded by Councilmember Guzzardi.

Motion passed. Aye A motion by Councilmember DiSalvo to approve Vouchers 0029 – 0031 on the Highway DB Abstract in the amount of \$8,994.50; seconded by Councilmember Guzzardi.

Vote No Motion passed. Aye 4

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A motion by Couramount of \$982.1		1 1		ers 0033 - 0035 on the Recycling SR Abstract in the			
	-	•		Motion passed.			
A motion by Councilmember DiSalvo, to approve Voucher 0021 on the Sewer SS Abstract in the amount of							
\$30.18; seconded by Councilmember Huff.							
Vote	Aye	4 No	0	Motion passed.			
A motion by Cour	ncilmember (Guzzardi, to appro	ve Voucl	hers 0031 - 0032 on the Sewer SW Abstract in the			
amount of \$245.06; seconded by Councilmember Huff .							
Vote	Aye 4	4 No	0	Motion passed.			
Total Abstract 12 \$98,111.27							

Councilmember DiSalvo asked Town Clerk Murphy to come forward. He thanked her for her many years of dedicated service to the Town and presented her with an engraved clock as a retirement gift.

A motion by Councilmember DiSalvo, seconded by Supervisor DiPasquale, to adjourn this meeting. Vote Aye 4 No 0 Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine T. Murphy, Town Clerk/Collector