

TOWN OF MOUNT MORRIS
TOWN BOARD MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
JANUARY 16, 2025

PRESENT

Supervisor: David DiSalvo

Deputy Supervisor: Don Huff

Councilmembers: Joseph Rawleigh and Jeff Coniglio

Excused: Councilmember Nate Guzzardi

Others in Attendance:

Attorney Ed Russell, Town Clerk Chelsey Woodworth, Code Enforcement Officer Shawn Grasby, Deputy Highway Superintendent Milton Smith, Deputy Town Clerk Kaylee Leone

Community Members in Attendance:

Pete DiSalvo, Gretchen Saunders, Karl Schrier, Johnna Schrier, Gina Smith, Steve Zoller, Spencer DiSalvo

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM by Supervisor David DiSalvo at the Mount Morris Town Hall. Supervisor DiSalvo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Organizational Meeting (January 2, 2025):
 Motion by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Rawleigh to approve the minutes as presented.
Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0
Motion Carried.
 - Regular Meeting (December 19, 2024):
 Motion by Councilmember Coniglio, seconded by Councilmember Rawleigh to approve the minutes as presented.
Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0
Motion Carried.
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PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed Local Law No. 1 of 2025 - a Local Law amending §48.44.3 of the code of the Town of Mount Morris entitled "Solar Farm Law".

- Supervisor DiSalvo opened the public hearing and announced it will remain open until the next meeting to allow for further amendments and public input.
 - Copies of the proposed law are available upon request and will be uploaded to the town website.
 - Public comments were invited and received, with a discussion on potential impacts and concerns.
 - Concerns were raised regarding the visual impact of the proposed solar farms on residential areas. Some residents expressed worries about decreased property values and potential glare issues.
 - Questions were asked about the environmental impact of the solar panels, including potential effects on local wildlife and drainage systems.
 - A few attendees supported the project, citing the benefits of renewable energy and potential tax revenue for the town.
 - Supervisor DiSalvo assured residents that their feedback would be taken into consideration before finalizing the amendments.
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SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Motion by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Rawleigh to accept the Supervisor's report for the month of December as presented.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0

Motion Carried

- Various budget transfers were reviewed and approved per the provided sheet.
- Two new medics hired, currently completing training.

- Highway & CHIPS Program:
 - Carryover of \$121,995.99 confirmed.
 - Discussion on purchasing a roadside mower using CHIPS funds.
 - State DOT assistance received for highway maintenance.
- Water Authority Grant:
 - County is applying for a grant for water loss detection equipment, with no cost to municipalities.
 - Approval to send a letter of participation; no resolution needed.
 - Leak detection services will be provided by the county, including the village.

AMBULANCE REPORT

- 109 calls (35 BLS, 30 ALS).
- Ambulances nearing 100,000 miles; discussions for replacements to begin soon.

HIGHWAY

Deputy Highway Superintendent Milton Smith gave an update:

- Ongoing efforts to maintain clear roads.
- Assistance received from the state for state road maintenance.

CEMETERY

- Deputy Highway Superintendent Smith and crew will assess trees that need removal.
- Follow-up pending on contacting recommended service providers.

TRANSFER STATION

- Issue reported with the delivery of a 20-yard bin instead of a 40-yard bin; efforts underway to resolve it.

TUSCARORA PARK

Councilmember Coniglio gave an update:

- Band 7 Days booked for Friday, August 8, 2025, at Tuscarora Park from 6-9 PM.
- Potential for two food trucks to be present at the event.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Councilmember Rawleigh gave an update:

- Zoning Board of Appeals approved a variance for a business on Route 408.
- Planning Board scheduled meetings for the entire year and they will be held on the Wednesday before Town Board meetings.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Motion to accept the town clerks report for the month of November by Councilmember Rawleigh, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0

Motion Carried.

The Town Clerk reported that, following the board's request, she contacted local cemeteries to inquire about pricing. She found that the cost of cemetery plots ranges between \$750 and \$1,000. Additionally, she consulted with Bill DiAngelo, the local funeral director, who suggested aligning the town's prices with those of St. Patrick's Cemetery in Mount Morris. Currently, their rates are set at \$900 for a burial plot and \$550 for a cremation plot.

Motion by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio to raise the cemetery plot prices to \$900 for burials and \$550 for cremations.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0

Motion Carried.

AUDIT OF CLAIMS – ABSTRACT 1, YEAR 2025

The Town Board reviewed and approved the following vouchers:

- **General A (Vouchers 2-25): \$66,628.13**
Motion by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Rawleigh.
Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0
Motion Carried
- **General B (Vouchers 1-8): \$6,628.51**
Motion by Councilmember Rawleigh, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio.
Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0
Motion Carried
- **Highway DA (Vouchers 1-15): \$25,889.96**
Motion by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Rawleigh.
Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0
Motion Carried
- **Highway DB (Voucher 1): \$4,759.40**
Motion by Councilmember Rawleigh, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio.
Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0
Motion Carried
- **Recycling SR (Vouchers 1-3): \$1,137.49**
Motion by Councilmember Rawleigh, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio.
Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0
Motion Carried
- **Sewer SS (Voucher 1): \$71.76**
Motion by Councilmember Rawleigh, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Huff.
Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0
Motion Carried
- **Sewer SW (Vouchers 1-3): \$7,371.50**
Motion by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Rawleigh.
Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0
Motion Carried

TOTAL AMOUNT APPROVED FOR ABSTRACT 1: \$112,486.75

PUBLIC COMMENT

Inquiry regarding availability of local law updates on the town website. Town Clerk Woodworth confirmed updates will be posted by the following day.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to enter executive session by Councilmember Coniglio, seconded by Councilmember Rawleigh at 6:31 PM for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular individual, which if disclosed, may affect their reputation or privacy.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0

Motion Carried.

Motion to exit executive session by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Rawleigh at 6:36 PM.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0

Motion Carried.

Consensus reached to contact an applicant and schedule an interview.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn this meeting by Councilmember Coniglio, seconded by Councilmember Rawleigh.

Vote: Aye 4 (DiSalvo, Huff, Coniglio, Rawleigh) | No 0

Motion Carried.

This meeting was adjourned at 6:38 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Chelsey Woodworth
Town Clerk

ATTACHMENTS

- Attached: 2024 Budget Adjustment/ Transfers

Town of Mount Morris
 2024 Budget Adjustments/Transfers
 January 16, 2025

Motion by Councilmember Coniglio, seconded by Councilmember Rawleigh
 to make the following budget transfers:

GENERAL FUND A - TOWNWIDE:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
A1210.4 Supervisor contractual	700	A1330.4 Tax collection contractual	700
A1410.4 Town Clerk contractual	1,046	A1410.1 Town clerk services	1,046
A1410.4 Town Clerk contractual	90	A1410.2 Town clerk equipment	90
A1990.4 Contingency	1,000	A1920.4 Municipal association dues	1,000
A1460.4 Records management contr	293	A3510.4 Dog control contractual	293
A4540.4 Ambulance contractual	8,315	A4540.1 Ambulance services	8,315
A1989 Other general gov't support	235	A1910.4 Unallocated insurance	235
A1989 Other general gov't support	806	A5010.12 Supt of highways svc-office	806
A5010.4 Supt of highways contractual	338	A5010.12 Supt of highways svc-office	338
A6410.4 Publicity contractual	1,230	A5182.4 Street lighting contractual	1,230
A6410.4 Publicity contractual	305	A6510.4 Veterans contractual	305
A6410.4 Publicity contractual	322	A7550.4 Celebrations	322
A6410.4 Publicity contractual	120	A9030.8 Employee benefits- soc sec	120
A6410.4 Publicity contractual	2,000	A9950.9 Interfund transfers	2,000
A8810.1 Cemetery services	4,201	A8810.4 Cemetery contractual	4,201
A9730.6 Debt service- principal	900	A9730.7 Debt service- interest	900

GENERAL FUND B - TOWNOUTSIDE:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
B1990.4 Contingency	124	B1910.4 Unallocated insurance	124
B1990.4 Contingency	148	B3620.1 Safety inspection services	148
B1990.4 Contingency	92	B8020.41 Planning contractual-recodification	92
B1990.4 Contingency	56	B9030.8 Employee benefits- soc sec	56

HIGHWAY FUND DA - TOWNWIDE:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
DA5130.1 Machinery services	4,420	DA5140.1 Weeds & brush services	4,420
DA5130.4 Machinery contractual	455	DA5130.2 Machinery equipment	455
DA5130.4 Machinery contractual	20,850	DA5142.4 Snow removal - town/cty contr	20,850
DA9730.6 Debt service- principal	4,142	DA9730.7 Debt service- interest	4,142

HIGHWAY FUND DB - TOWNOUTSIDE:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
DB5110.4 General repairs contractual	3,918	DA5110.1 General repairs services	3,918
DB5110.4 General repairs contractual	300	DB9030.8 Employee benefits- soc sec	300
DB5110.4 General repairs contractual	3,109	DB9060.8 Employee benefits- medical ins	3,109

WATER FUND SW:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
SW1440.4 Engineer contractual	1,661	SW8310.1 Administration services	1,661
SW1440.4 Engineer contractual	1,056	SW8310.4 Administration contractual	1,056
SW1440.4 Engineer contractual	3,055	SW8320.4 Power supply contractual	3,055
SW1440.4 Engineer contractual	128	SW9030.8 Employee benefits- social sec	128

Motion by Councilmember Rawleigh, seconded by Deputy Supervisor Huff
to increase/decrease the budget of General Fund A as follows:

Increase A2192 (Cemetery services) by \$4,550
Increase A8810.4 (Cemetery contractual) by \$4,550

Increase A2610 (Justice fines) by \$1,395
Increase A1110.4 (Justice contractual) by \$1,395

Increase A3005 (Mortgage tax) by \$7,080
Decrease A2401 (Interest earned) by \$160
Decrease A2770 (Miscellaneous) by \$6,920

Increase A4089 (Federal aid- other) by \$5,362
Increase A9950.9 (Interfund transfers) by \$5,362

Decrease A1640 (Ambulance fees) by \$1,600
Decrease A9730.6 (Debt service-principal) by \$1,600

Motion by Deputy Supervisor Huff, seconded by Councilmember Rawleigh
to increase/decrease the budget of Highway DA as follows:

Decrease DA2300 (State snow & ice) by \$8,271
Decrease DA5148.4 (Snow removal-state contractual) by \$8,271

Motion by Councilmember Rawleigh, seconded by Councilmember Coniglio
to increase/decrease the budget of Highway DB as follows:

Increase DB2770 (Chips) by \$22,726
Increase DB5112.2 (Chips) by \$22,726