

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Village of Mount Morris
July 14, 2026

The Regular Meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Mount Morris, County of Livingston, State of New York, was held at Village Hall, 117 Main Street, Mount Morris, New York, on July 14, 2026, at 6:30 PM

PRESENT:

Mayor Kelly Bacon
Trustee Tim Bryant
Trustee Kelly Richardson
Trustee Beth Shea
Trustee Mark Torcello
Clerk/Treasurer Lisa Torcello

Superintendent of Public Works Chris Young

ALSO PRESENT: Joshua Bacon, Tracy Kenney, Gretchen Saunders, Debbie Yencer, Cathie Gehrig, Ted Griswold from Livingston County Planning Department, Kathleen Guarino, Jennifer Young, Tammy DiSalvo, Edward Phillips

Mayor Bacon called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 PM and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Bacon opened the Public Hearing on Local Law #3-2026, Amending chapter 59 of the Village Code of the Village of Mount Morris to Modify the Responsibility for Dog Care and Medical Expenses.

Edward Phillips offered comment stating it was a great idea.

Mayor Bacon kept the Public Hearing open

Three staff members from Summer Recreation were present and introduced to the board. Trustee Shea shared that community organizations supplied breakfast and lunch for the first week of Summer Recreation since the school was unable to supply the meals until the second week of the program.

Theodore Griswold from the Livingston County Planning Department was invited to speak on applying for the NYS Smart Growth Grant, the County Planning Department has been working on this application for the Village of Mount Morris to update the Village Comprehensive Plan. He explained the details of the grant and that the minimum amount to apply for is \$75,000.

RESOLUTION 126.26

APPROVAL OF APPLYING FOR NYS SMART GROWTH APPLICATION

On a motion from Trustee Torcello, second by Trustee Richardson the resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolution supporting application for smart growth planning program 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Mount Morris hereby formally supports the application by the Livingston County Planning Department for funding under the New York State Consolidated Funding Application for the project/program known as "Smart Growth Community Planning Program 2026".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Mount Morris believes that the project/program will bring significant benefits to our community, including the update of our village comprehensive plan with professional input and consultation, outlining our community vision, providing policies to guide local land use and development decisions, integrating smart growth principles to support our vision for revitalization and future resiliency.

BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Mount Morris is committed to collaborating with the Livingston County Planning Department to ensure the successful implementation of this project/program.

RESOLUTION 127.26

APPROVAL OF HIRING OF EMPLOYEE

On a motion from Trustee Shea second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to hire Robert Lonsberry as an aide for summer recreation effective July 15, 2026 at a rate of \$16.00/hr. with employment ending August 7, 2026.

RESOLUTION 128.26

APPROVAL TO AMEND RESOLUTIONS #122.26 & 123.26

On a motion from Trustee Bryant second by Trustee Torcello the following was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to amend motion of June 29th- regarding hiring of recreation aids- 122.26 & 123.26- adding an ending date of employment as August 7, 2026.

Mayor Bacon shared that the Village would like to start a sidewalk and streetscape inventory team of volunteers. She referenced the study that the Village of Perry did and the sidewalk taskforce they established. This would give the Village beneficial data and information in applying for grants and also assisting the board in getting a sidewalk repair plan in place. The team would also collect data regarding trees, crosswalks, and other elements that affect walkability and the streetscape.

Edward Phillips volunteered to serve on the team.

Discussion regarding the Intermunicipal Agreement with the Town of Mount Morris for water/sewer, reporting that the Village and Town received a notice from DEC on June 18th advising that a DEC Water Withdrawal permit will be required to provide retail service to the Town of Mount Morris and that the permit must be issued prior to the Village serving the Town. Mayor Bacon stated she has been in communication with DEC and contacted JP for information regarding an engineering report needed for the permit application. She has emailed Supervisor DiSalvo and the Town councilmembers asking for a meeting to discuss the delay and moving forward. DEC said that the turn around on the application once submitted would be approximately 2-3 months. The board discussed adopting the resolution pursuant to DEC authorization and setting the rates possibly in August.

RESOLUTION 129.26

APPROVAL OF INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF MOUNT MORRIS AND THE VILLAGE OF MOUNT MORRIS REGARDING THE LEASE AND OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TOWN WIDE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEMS PURSUANT TO NYSDEC (NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION) AUTHORIZATION

On a motion from Trustee Bryant second by Trustee Shea the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

RESOLUTION 130.26

APPROVAL OF TRAINING

On a motion from Trustee Torcello second by Trustee Richardson the following was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to have current Village board members and department heads complete the training titled Ethical Behavior for Local Government.

Mayor Bacon updated the board that per Village request RG&E is adding a streetlight to the crosswalk at the intersection of Main Street and Murray Street.

RESOLUTION 131.26

APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION FOR MAYOR TO SIGN RG&E STREET LIGHT REQUEST FORM

On a motion from Trustee Shea second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to authorize Mayor Bacon to sign the streetlight request form from Rochester Gas and Electric for the corner of Main Street and Murray Street.

Trustee Torcello motioned to approve the minutes of April 14, April 28, May 12, May 26. Trustee Richardson seconded the motion. Discussion was had regarding Trustee Bryant being absent for a meeting and wanting to abstain and Trustee Shea having obtained rough draft of minutes of April 14 and Cathie Gehrig's name not listed in the people present. It was decided to vote for the board minutes separately.

RESOLUTION 132.26

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion from Trustee Bryant second by Trustee Richardson, the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to approve the board minutes of April 14, 2026, with the amended change of adding Cathy Gehrig to the people present.

RESOLUTION 133.26

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion from Trustee Torcello second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 3

NAY- 2 SHEA, BRYANT

Resolve to approve the minutes of April 28, 2026

RESOLUTION 134.26

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion from Trustee Torcello second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to approve the minutes of May 12, 2026

RESOLUTION 135.26

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion from Trustee Torcello second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 3

ABSTAIN- 2 SHEA, BRYANT

Resolve to approve the minutes of May 26, 2026

RESOLUTION 136.26

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACTS

On a motion from Trustee Torcello second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to approve the abstracts listed below:

Abstract #6

General	\$26,883.83	33-62
Water	\$11426.06	27-41
Sewer	\$748.43	14-19
capital		

Abstract #7

General	\$36,617.40	64-83
Water	\$15,423.30	42-52
Sewer	\$11,128.16	20-26
Capital water	\$15,305.95	2-4

RESOLUTION 137.6

APPROVAL OF CAPITAL PAYMENT FOR THE WATER TREATMENT PROJECT

On a motion from Trustee Richardson second by Trustee Torcello the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to approve payment to Concord Electric Corp. in the amount of \$6046.75- for the water treatment plant improvement project.

RESOLUTION 138.6

APPROVAL OF ADJUSTMENT FOR LAND BANK PURCHASING PROPERTY AT 10 PARKER ROAD

On a motion from Trustee Bryant second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve that the Village of Mount Morris 2026 tax roll be corrected in that parcel at 106.14-1-9 was acquired by the Livingston County Land Bank Corporation on June 15, 2026. Pursuant to the provisions of Article 16, section 1608 (a) of the Not- for- profit Corporation Law, this parcel is wholly exempt. The tax amount should be reduced from \$751.46 to \$0.00 and the current tax bill voided.

RESOLUTION 139.6

APPROVAL OF TRANSFER

On a motion from Trustee Bryant second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to increase A7140.4 playgrounds and recreation contr. by \$3324.00 and increase gifts and donations- A2705 by \$3324.00 for the donations to the Bellamy Park Entry area.

RESOLUTION 140.6

APPROVAL OF TRANSFER

On a motion from Trustee Torcello second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to increase A9730.6 Ban principal \$360,000 from fund balance, for the grant award that was received for the Salt Storage Project at end of fiscal year.

RESOLUTION 141.6

APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS

On a motion from Trustee Bryant second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to approve the following transfers affecting 5-31-2026 Mayor's report:

Increase G1320.4 accountant	\$1433
Increase G1660.41 sewer office supplies	\$886
Increase G8130.1 sewer treatment service	\$2777
Increase G9030.8 social security	\$311
Increase G8130.4 sewer treatment cont.	\$26857.00
Decrease G8120.1 sanitary sewer	\$29,369
Decrease G8130.2 sewer equipment	\$1939.00
Decrease G9020.8 Medicare	\$88.00
Decrease G9710.6 serial bond	\$868.00

RESOLUTION 142.6

APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS

ADOPTED – AYE 5

On a motion from Trustee Torcello second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

Resolve to approve the following transfers affecting 5-31-2026, Mayor's report.

Increase G2120 sewer rent	\$11800.00
Increase G2128 interest and penalties	\$11593.00
Increase G2401 interest earned	\$4229.00
Increase G2770 misc.	\$24487.00
Increase G8130.4 sewer cont.	\$52,109.00

RESOLUTION 143.6

APPROVAL OF TRANSFERS

On a motion from Trustee Richardson second by Trustee Torcello the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to approve the following transfer of fund balance for capital repairs of generator and roof, affecting 5-31-2026 Mayor's report.

Increase G8130.4 sewer cont.	\$122,629.00- expense from pen power in the amount of \$82,909 & spring Metal- \$39,720.00
Using fund balance	

RESOLUTION 144.6

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT

On a motion from Trustee Bryant second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolve to authorize Mayor Bacon to sign the contract with MJ Mechanical service.

Clerk/Treasurer provided the following information:

- The only allowable relievis to the county for collection are unpaid water, sewer & solid waste, and Clerk Torcello provided copies of the information from Livingston County Director of Real Property Tax Services
 - The confirmation from the Office of the State Comptroller that the Annual Financial Reports for the Village were filed on time for the FYE 2022, 2023, and 2024. Clerk Torcello also explained the process Bond Counsel completes to upload annual financial reports to the Electronic Municipal Market Access system.
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The board discussed the letter received asking for a water/sewer billing adjustment for 12 Case Street, due to a leak. The board did not take any action to adjust the billing, as the policy has not been to adjust bills when a leak is reported.

RESOLUTION 145.6

APPROVAL OF EXPENSE TO BE REIMBURSED FROM EWR (EXTREME WINTER RECOVERY) STATE FUNDING

On a motion from Trustee Bryant second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolved to approve the paving cost for the salt storage, the payment will be in the amount of \$14,918.00.

The board and Superintendent Young discussed the street repairs being done.

Public Comment:

Tracy Kenney asked about the Police contract

Debbie Yencer commented on the mobile home park licensing fees

Gretchen Saunders stated she received information from the DOT regarding crosswalk safety

Tracy Kenny asked about the donations given toward the Bellamy Entry, check readers, and the Livingston County civil service training Clerk Torcello is attending

RESOLUTION 147.6

APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion from Trustee Torcello second by Trustee Richardson the following resolution was:

ADOPTED – AYE 5

Resolved to enter into executive session for contract negotiation discussion and employee matters.