

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
March 10, 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 March 10, 2026, at 6:30 PM.

PRESENT:

Village Board:

Kelly Bacon – Mayor
Elizabeth Shea – Trustee
Tim Bryant – Trustee
Kelly Richardson – Trustee
Mark Torcello – Trustee

Lisa Torcello – Clerk/Treasurer
Terri McKerrow – CPA, Ladelfa, Schoder & Walker

ALSO PRESENT:

Debbie Yencer, Jen Young, Chris Young, Ann Hunt, Tracy Kenney, Charlene Finnigan, Jeff Wilcox, Tyler Lang

Mayor Bacon called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Bacon presented the tentative budget for the 2026–2027 fiscal year. The Board discussed the mayor’s report and tentative budget, and CPA McKerrow provided clarification and information.

RESOLUTION 30.26

APPROVAL OF PUBLIC HEARING

On a motion by Trustee Torcello, seconded by Trustee Richardson, the following resolution was:

ADOPTED Ayes 5: Bacon, Bryant, Shea, Torcello, Richardson
Resolved to set a public hearing for April 14, 2026 6:30pm for the 2026–2027 budget with a tax rate of \$12.58957.

RESOLUTION 31.26

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

ADOPTED Ayes 5: Bacon, Bryant, Shea, Torcello, Richardson
Resolved to approve the meeting minutes of January 27, February 10, and February 24, 2026.

RESOLUTION 32.26

APPROVAL OF PARK RESERVATION

On a motion by Trustee Torcello, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED Ayes 5
Resolved to approve the Mount Morris park reservation request for MMCS

RESOLUTION 33.26

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT

On a motion by Trustee Torcello, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED Ayes 5
Resolved to authorize Mayor Bacon to sign the contract with Municipal Solutions.

RESOLUTION 34.26

APPROVAL OF CAPITAL PAYMENT – CONCORD ELECTRIC

On a motion by Trustee Bryant, seconded by Trustee Shea:

ADOPTED Ayes 5
Resolved to approve payment to Concord Electric Corp. in the amount of \$17,435.00.

RESOLUTION 35.26

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACT

On a motion by Trustee Torcello, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Bacon, Bryant, Shea, Torcello, Richardson
Resolved to approve the following abstracts:

Abstract #29

General: \$28,978.25 (506–541)

Water: \$26,182.21 (263–280)

Sewer: \$8,540.54 (206–219)

Capital: \$19,073.05 (29–30)

Abstract #30

General: \$19,528.87 (542–544)

Water: \$4,935.94 (281–284)

Sewer: \$3,886.61 (220)

RESOLUTION 36.26

APPROVAL OF LETTER TO THE STATE COMPTROLLER

On a motion by Trustee Bryant, seconded by Trustee Shea:

ADOPTED Ayes 5 Bacon, Bryant, Shea, Torcello, Richardson
Resolved to authorize Mayor Bacon to send a letter to the State Comptroller regarding an audit.

RESOLUTION 37.26

APPROVAL OF AGRICULTURAL TRAPS

On a motion by Trustee Shea, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED Ayes 5

Resolved to authorize the Department of Agriculture to set traps for cherry flies within the Village.

OPENING OF BIDS FOR SURPLUS EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION 38.26

REJECTION OF BIDS – FREIGHTLINER

On a motion by Trustee Bryant, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED Ayes 5

Resolved to reject all bids for the Freightliner.

RESOLUTION 39.26

ACCEPTANCE OF BID – AIR COMPRESSOR

On a motion by Trustee Bryant, seconded by Trustee Torcello:

ADOPTED Ayes 5

Resolved to accept the bid for the air compressor in the amount of \$200.00 from Gerald Cartwright.

RESOLUTION 40.26

REJECTION OF BID – TRAILER

On a motion by Trustee Bryant, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED Ayes 5

Resolved to reject the bid for the trailer.

RESOLUTION 41.26

REJECTION OF BID – SMALL BLACK TRAILER

On a motion by Trustee Bryant, seconded by Trustee Torcello:

ADOPTED Ayes 5

Resolved to reject the bid of \$77.00 from Doug Welch for the small black trailer.

RESOLUTION 42.26

ACCEPTANCE OF BID – SMALL TRAILER

On a motion by Trustee Torcello, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED Ayes 5

Resolved to accept the bid of \$255.00 from Bret Dupuy for one small trailer.

RESOLUTION 43.26

ACCEPTANCE OF BID – WATER BUFFALO TANK TRAILER

On a motion by Trustee Torcello, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED Ayes 5

Resolved to accept the bid of \$200.00 from Gerald Cartwright for the water buffalo tank trailer.

RESOLUTION 44.26

ACCEPTANCE OF BID – RED TRAILER

On a motion by Trustee Torcello, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED Ayes 5

Resolved to accept the bid of \$811.00 from Doug Welch for one red trailer.

RESOLUTION 45.26

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Trustee Richardson, seconded by Trustee Bryant:

ADOPTED Ayes 5

Resolved to enter executive session to discuss personnel and contractual matters.

RESOLUTION 46.26

RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Trustee Bryant, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED Ayes 5

Resolved to return from executive session.

On a motion from Trustee Bryant, seconded by Trustee Richardson meeting is adjourned.

Motion carried Ayes 5

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



LISA TORCELLO
Clerk/Treasurer

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KELLY D. BACON
Mayor

February 27, 2026

Honorable Thomas P. DiNapoli
New York State Comptroller
110 State Street
Albany, NY 12236

Dear Comptroller DiNapoli,

Our Village Board of Trustees received a circulated document asking for a comprehensive external audit of the Village's financial operations, accounts, and fiscal management practices. The petition letter (enclosed) does not include any specific allegations, transactions, discrepancies, or documented concerns indicating financial impropriety or mismanagement. Nevertheless, we take the request seriously and though we have contacted independent auditing firms to request cost estimates and proposals, which we are currently reviewing, we also officially request for the Office of the State Comptroller to initiate an auditing process for our Village or advise what steps we should take to undergo review from your office.

Public trust is of utmost importance to me as Mayor, and I believe I speak for our Trustees and department administrators as well when I say we take the confidence of our constituents very seriously. We remain committed to transparency, responsible governance, and to reviewing any substantiated concerns brought forward. We are grateful for the resources available through the Office of the State Comptroller and actively use them to strengthen our governance and financial practices.

Should you have any questions regarding this correspondence or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kelly D. Bacon". The signature is fluid and cursive.

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"The Village of Mount Morris is an equal opportunity provider, and employer."***

PETITION TO THE VILLAGE OF MOUNT MORRIS BOARD OF TRUSTEES REQUESTING A FORMAL EXTERNAL AUDIT OF VILLAGE FINANCES

To:

Village of Mount Morris Board of Trustees
Village Hall
Mount Morris, New York

Date: December 1, 2025

We, the undersigned residents, taxpayers, and stakeholders of the Village of Mount Morris, respectfully submit this petition to formally request that the Village Board of Trustees authorize and initiate a comprehensive external audit of the Village's financial operations, accounts, and fiscal management practices.

This request is made pursuant to the principles of transparency, accountability, and sound governance expected of municipal administration in the State of New York. An independent audit conducted by a qualified external auditing firm—or by the Office of the New York State Comptroller, if applicable—will help ensure that:

1. All village financial records, accounts, and transactions are accurate, complete, and compliant with applicable state laws, municipal regulations, and established accounting standards.
2. Any irregularities, procedural deficiencies, or areas of concern are identified and corrected in a manner that strengthens public trust and improves internal controls.
3. Village residents receive a clear, independent, and unbiased evaluation of the fiscal stewardship of public funds.
4. Future budgeting, spending, and administrative decisions are informed by reliable financial information and professional recommendations.

Given the importance of maintaining public confidence in municipal governance, and recognizing the duty of the Board of Trustees to act in the best interest of Village taxpayers, we respectfully urge the Board to:

1. Pass a resolution authorizing a full external audit dating back 5 years; and
2. Publicly release the final audit report upon completion, including any recommendations for corrective action or improved financial practices.

We submit this petition with the expectation that the Board will act promptly, transparently, and responsibly in addressing this request.