

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Village of Mount Morris
March 24, 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 24, 2026, at 6:30 PM.

PRESENT:

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

ALSO PRESENT:

Jen Young, Chris Young, Jeff Wilcox, Danny Brewer, Bob Brill, Tracy Kenney, Margaret Balcom, Lauren Berge, Sharon Canteberry, Randy Johnson, Rebecca Johnson, Danny Anzalone, Sandra Yates, Robert L. Skinner, Sonya Roberts, Amy Yencer, Suzy Yencer, Deb Yencer, Joshua Bacon, Edward Phillips, Dan Cichetti, Ron & Michelle Klingensmith, John & Brenda Vogel, Rob Yencer, Sara Yencer, Erinn Brickwood, Ann Hunt, Monica Brill, Kevin Fahey, Joe Rawleigh, Justin Megliore, Amber Gath, Tyler Lange, Kaylee Leone, Rachel Correia, Chris Correia, Emily Goho, Judith Claprood, MRB Engineer JP Schepp

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

PUBLIC HEARING – TAX CAP OVERRIDE (GML §3-C)

Mayor Bacon opened the public hearing regarding Section 3-C of General Municipal Law, which establishes a property tax cap limiting the annual increase of a municipality's tax levy to 2% or the rate of inflation, whichever is less, unless overridden by local law.

The Mayor stated that individuals wishing to speak would be limited to three minutes each.

The following individuals spoke in opposition to overriding the tax cap:

Sandy Brewer, Sharon Canteberry, Sonya Roberts, Edward Phillips, Lauren Berger, Joel Mike, John Vogel, David DiPasquale, Rebecca Johnson, Randy Johnson, Victoria (last name not provided), Amber Gath, Debbie Yencer

Additional public comments were made by:

Bob Brill, Chris Correia, Emily Goho, Brenda Vogel, Rob Yencer, Brandie Piraino, Joanne Small, Kaylee Leone, Dan Anzalone

RESOLUTION 47.26

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

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

ADOPTED – Ayes 5 (Bacon, Bryant, Shea, Torcello, Richardson)

Resolved to close the public hearing regarding the proposed local law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law §3-C.

RESOLUTION 48.26

PROPOSED ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2026 (TAX CAP OVERRIDE)

The Village Board of the Village of Mount Morris met at a regular meeting at Village Hall on March 24, 2026, at 6:30 PM, at which time a public hearing was held.

WHEREAS, all Board Members had due notice of the meeting and it was open to the public in accordance with the Public Officers Law; and

WHEREAS, Section 3-C of the General Municipal Law limits the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by a local government; and

WHEREAS, a tax levy in excess of this limit may only be adopted if the Board enacts a local law by a vote of at least sixty percent (60%) of its total voting power; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was duly advertised and held on March 24, 2026, and all persons were given the opportunity to be heard; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has considered the proposed local law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board considers it in the best interest of the Village to adopt Local Law No. 3 of 2026 entitled “Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law Section 3-C”; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk is directed to enter this action into the minutes and provide required notice to the Secretary of State.

Motion by Trustee Torcello, seconded by Trustee Shea

Ayes: 2 (Torcello, Richardson)
Nays: 3 (Bacon, Bryant, Shea)

Motion Failed

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department: no additional comments by Chief Wilcox

Code Enforcement: Report provided to the Board by CEO Dunham

Street Department: Superintendent Young reported on remaining surplus items scheduled for auction, the new pit meters needed, and that installation of town water meters will begin

Mayor Bacon mentioned the Kiwanis recreation proposal for an additional softball field at Bellamy Park that she emailed to the board for review.

RESOLUTION 49.26

APPROVAL OF ABSTRACTS

On motion by Trustee Bryant, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED – Ayes 5 (Bacon, Bryant, Shea, Torcello, Richardson)

Resolved to approve the following abstracts:

Abstract #31

General: \$12,245.62 (Vouchers 546–552)

Water: \$5,442.07 (Vouchers 286–292)

Sewer: \$13,758.98 (Vouchers 221–228)

Abstract #32

General: \$16,452.58 (Vouchers 554–578)

Water: \$7,384.89 (Vouchers 293–305)

Sewer: \$8,111.98 (Vouchers 229–239)

Abstract #33

General: \$4,456.48 (Voucher 579)

Water: \$3,961.48 (Voucher 306)
Sewer: \$4,607.60 (Voucher 240)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Bacon opened the floor for public comment.

Edward Phillips commented on the pace of home sales, the school's good reputation, and the benefit to Mount Morris.

Emily Goho discussed water shutoffs for nonpayment.

Chris Correia asked about revenue from the Bellamy Park craft show

Kevin Fahey suggested a proposed data center law.

Deb Yencer raised concerns regarding mobile home licensing fees

Tyler Lange asked if the board would consider village dissolution

RESOLUTION 50.26

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Trustee Richardson, seconded by Trustee Shea:

ADOPTED – Ayes 5

Resolved to enter executive session to discuss a personnel matter regarding an employee, and contractual matters.

RESOLUTION 51.26

RETURN FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Trustee Bryant, seconded by Trustee Richardson:

ADOPTED – Ayes 5

Resolved to return from executive session.

RESOLUTION 52.26

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER

On motion by Trustee Bryant, seconded by Trustee Shea:

ADOPTED – Ayes 5

Resolved to approve Change Order #2 in the amount of \$34,800 for ST Construction.

Mayor Bacon reminded those present of a special meeting scheduled for March 29, 2026, at 11:00 AM.

Mayor Bacon stated that the Christmas lights on the Main Street light poles were paid for by the board members as personal donations and were not a cost to the Village.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Richardson and seconded by Trustee Torcello. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa J Torcello