

**Town of Murray Public Hearings and Board Meeting**  
November 5, 2015

Present: Supervisor John Morriss, Councilwoman Kathy Case, Councilmen Ed Bower, Lloyd Christ and Paul Hendel, Town Clerk Cindy Oliver, Highway and Water Superintendent Ed Morgan, Assessor Lynn Wood, Attorney Jeff Martin

Pledge to the flag.

**Public Hearing**

Supervisor Morriss opened the public hearing on the water assessment/tentative tax roll

No questions or comments from any person present.

Public hearing closed.

**Public Hearing**

Supervisor Morriss opened the public hearing on the Town budget for the year 2015.

No questions or comments from any person present.

Public hearing closed.

**Regular Town Board Meeting**

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Case to approving the October meeting minutes with the motion on page three to be corrected to read: Motion by Bower, Seconded by Christ authorizing the installation of Mr. Skellen's Route 31 driveway pipe only

*After being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:*

<i>Ayes</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>Morriss, Bower, Christ, Hendel</i>
<i>Nays</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Case</i>
<i>Absent</i>	<i>0</i>	

Motion was thereupon adopted

**Assessor:**

Lynn informed the Board that he has a copy of the Change of Assessment Notice that was sent to Mr. Carbone on May 1, 2014.

**Old Business:**

The burned house at 15968 Creek Rd. has been demolished and buried at a cost of \$1,000. Lynn will take care of adding the \$1,000.00 charge to the property's tax bill.

Jeff did some research regarding the proposed change of stop signs on the corner of Hindsburg and W. Brockville Rd. According to Section 1660(a)(1) of the Vehicle and Traffic Law, the Town Board is authorized to reposition the stops signs previously discussed. Motion by Hendel, Seconded by Bower that the members of the Murray Town Board sign the following order:

**ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD DIRECTING REPOSITIONING OF STOP SIGNS  
AT HINDBURG ROAD – WEST BROCKVILLE ROAD INTERSECTION**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 1660(a)(1) of the Vehicle and Traffic Law of the State of New York, and upon recommendation of Edward Morgan, Town Superintendent of Highways, the Town Board of the Town of Murray hereby

ORDERS, that in view of the closure of the Hindsburg Road canal bridge and the impact of such closure on the flow of traffic along Hindsburg Road, the stop signs at the intersection of Hindsburg Road and West Brockville Road shall be repositioned so that motor vehicles traveling along West Brockville Road in and easterly or westerly direction shall not be required to stop at the intersection, but vehicles traveling along Hindsburg Road in a northerly or southerly direction shall be required to stop at the intersection; and the Town Board further

ORDERS, that Superintendent Morgan forthwith remove the existing stop signs along West Brockville Road at the Hindsburg Road – West Brockville Road intersection and reposition them along Hindsburg Road.

**Motion Carried**

Supervisor Morriss reminded all of the work meeting with Mark Butler that is scheduled for Monday at 7:00 p.m.

Councilwoman Case informed Supervisor Morriss that she and Councilman Hendel attended the Planning Board meeting Monday evening. Nothing could be done as there was not a quorum present.

Lynn informed the Board that, by law, in order to replace a member of the Board of Assessment Review, the Town must first receive a letter of resignation from the member being replaced.

**New Business**

Motion by Bower, Seconded by Hendel adopting the Town of Murray Budget for the year 2015 Motion Carried

**Attorney:**

Jeff checked into any easements that might be filed at the County Clerk's office regarding the drainage pipe on the Combs Creek Road property and found none.

Christine Farabella called and spoke to Jeff and thinks they are on board with the Hulberton Road cemetery easement.

Hickory Ridge was granted their area variance to reduce the width of the roads within the RV Park.

Local Laws Nos. 1 and 2 that the Board adopted in October were filed with the Secretary of State on October 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Town Clerk:**

Cindy reported Town Clerk receipts for the month of October totaling \$2,169.00. Local shares of \$1,145.38 went into the general fund.

**Highway and Water Superintendent:**

The Water Department received positive responses to the water survey letters that were sent out. Of the 31 that were sent, we received 18 yes responses and 2 no responses.

Motion by Hendel, Seconded by Case that the Town pursue a water district no. 3 extension 1 (Hindsburg Rd., Center Rd., and W. Kendall Rd. north of Rt. 104) and authorize Paul Chatfield to do a map plan and review  
Motion Carried

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Bower that Town of Murray Highway Employees receive a 3% pay increase in accordance with the 2015 Town of Murray budget. Motion Carried

Discussion regarding the State's reduction of the weight limit on bridges. It is more costly in regards to extra labor in the winter time to maintain these bridges. It is only right that the Town gets reimbursed by the state as we are maintaining the state's property. It ends up being more of an expense to our taxpayers and it is wrong. The State DOT was not receptive to Ed's request. Councilwoman Case asked if there is a Representative that could help us. Ed

said he will contact Senator Joe Robach tomorrow to see if anything can be done.

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Bower approving the Supervisor's financial report and that the following bills be paid: Motion Carried

General Fund	Claims 334-369	\$28,982.76
Highway Fund	Claims 231-236	\$9,923.91
Water District No. 1	Claims 25-27	\$459.70
Water District No. 2	Claims 44-46	\$338.58
Water District No. 3	Claims 37-39	\$2,799.67
Water District No. 4	Claim 16	\$25.00
Water District No. 5	Claims 16-17	\$75.00
Water District No. 6	Claims 57-59	\$186.41
Water District No. 7	Claim 24	\$100.00
Water District No. 8	Claim 20	\$60.60
Water District No. 9	Claims 16-18	\$122.79
Water District No. 10	Claims 36-37	\$43.86
Water District No. 11	Claims 66-70	\$681.42
Water District No. 12	Claim 16	\$25.00
Water District No. 13	Claims 17-18	\$86.00
Water District No. 14	Claims 9-10	\$169.27
Water District No. 15	Claims 22-24	\$116.00
Water District No. 20	NONE	\$0.00

Motion by Hendel, Seconded by Christ that the meeting be adjourned  
Motion Carried

So adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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