

**Murray Town Board Emergency Meeting**

April 30, 2021

Present: Supervisor Joseph Sidonio, Councilmen Randall Bower, Lloyd Christ, Paul Hendel and Michael Mele, Town Clerk Cindy Oliver

On April 19, 2021, the Town of Murray Board passed a resolution hiring an Attorney to handle Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board issues for the Town of Murray. Based upon subsequent discussions, it is necessary for the Town of Murray to hire different counsel to handle those responsibilities.

Some very important and contested issues involving the ZBA and Planning Board are on the horizon. One matter on for the Town of Murray Planning Board meeting next Tuesday, May 4, 2021, has an attorney involved. In order to avoid potential costly litigation in the future, the Town of Murray must have counsel present at ZBA and Planning Board meetings. It would be unfair to any applicant to adjourn next Tuesday's meeting. Therefore, the current situation as outlined herein constitutes an emergency situation that requires immediate action for the Town of Murray to hire counsel. As such, this meeting will be called to order at 10:55 a.m. on April 30, 2021.

Motion by Mele, Seconded by Bower rescinding the resolution adopted by the Murray Town Board on April 19, 2021 retaining Jeffrey R. Martin as counsel for the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Planning Board as needed at a rate of \$175.00 with fees to be born by the applicants for the projects.

After being put to a vote, the motion was unanimously adopted.

Motion by Christ, Seconded by Mele that the Town of Murray retain Maureen L. Werner to provide legal services to the Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board in regards to the current issues in front of the Boards at this time and being compensated \$150.00 per hour and \$250.00 per hour for court time, if necessary.

After being put to a vote, the motion was unanimously adopted.

Brief discussion regarding Code Enforcement Officer, Part-Time vacancy and Account Clerk/Typist Part-Time for Code Enforcement, Planning and Zoning Board. Cindy will put an ad in the Pennysaver for these positions.

Motion by Hendel, Seconded by Bower appointing Chad Fabry as interim Code Enforcement Officer, Part Time at the same payrate as Kevin Moore was compensated.

After being put to a vote, the motion was unanimously adopted.

Motion by Mele, Seconded by Christ to adjourn the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

After being put to a vote, the motion was unanimously adopted.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia L. Oliver