

The Town of Moriah Town Board held a Public Hearing on Thursday, February 20, 2025 at 5:45pm at the Town of Moriah Court House, 42 Park Place, Port Henry, NY.

Present: Matthew Brassard Supervisor
 Paul Salerno Councilman
 James Curran Councilman
 Nathan Gilbo Councilman

Absent: Tom Anderson Councilman

Others Present: William Trybendis, Art Morgan and Rose French-Town Clerk

The Supervisor opened the meeting at 5:45pm. He read the legal notice calling for the Public Hearing.

The Supervisor asked Art Morgan, Water & Super Superintendent to give a brief description of the mini excavator and trailer they will be getting. Mr. Morgan stated it is a 40 Kubota excavator with brush hog attachment, 2-foot bucket, trencher, etc. Mr. Morgan stated it is a good price. Supervisor Brassard stated what they are using now came from the Village of Port Henry and it was used when they got it. Councilman Gilbo asked what they are using now and Mr. Morgan said it is a 310 backhoe; Mr. Gilbo then asked how many hours they put on it in a month and Mr. Morgan said it depends; in the Winter they use it to clean out hydrants. Councilman Gilbo asked about the summer time and Mr. Morgan stated probably 100 hours a month. Councilman Gilbo asked when we budgeted for this and the Supervisor stated 2026. Councilman Gilbo asked if it was being paid for out of 5 districts and the Supervisor said yes; he stated for 5 years the rate would be 3.95% and 7 years it would be 4.9%; Becky Gilbo doesn't feel we need to go out longer than that. The Supervisor stated Bond Counsel said we could go 15 years. Mr. Morgan stated they have \$28,000 to put towards the excavator from surplus sales. Councilman Gilbo asked what the effect on the budget would be if we did 5 years and 3.95% and the Supervisor stated the payment would be between 19,000-20,000 per year for 5 districts. Councilman Curran stated we could put the \$28,000 down before we start the payments. Councilman Salerno asked Mr. Morgan if this was the first piece of equipment the water and sewer department has purchased and Mr. Morgan said yes. The Supervisor caught Paul & Nancy Tromblee up to speed on the public hearing as they arrived late.

The meeting adjourned at 5:55pm.

Town Clerk