

**TOWN OF DELHI
BOARD MEETING
April 14, 2025
6:00PM**

Supervisor Boukai called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Those present:

Councilmember's: Margaret Baldwin, Matt Krzyston, Josh Morgan, Christina Viafore

Highway Superintendent Daren Evans

Town Justice Mat Burkert

Town Historian Marianne Greenfield

Residents: Kim Cairns, Cindi Cobbe, Marne Champlin, Ruth Hughes, Sean Leddy, Delaware County Planning

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Boukai.

Privilege of the Floor:

Supervisor Boukai opened the floor. Dan Ayres of the Delhi Beautification Committee. He announced he and his wife Sheila will be leaving the area and will be stepping down as Chairperson and Treasurer. Janet Tweed will be taking over as the Chairperson and Barbara Sturdavant as the Treasurer. But I'm here really to thank the town for all you've done for us over the many years, all the support you've given, especially from people like Daren, and from Elsa, who has processed the checks and invoices, and he wanted everyone to know how much they are appreciated. He thanked the town council, and then said they appreciated what everyone has done for the beautification committee as well as for the community.

Town resident Ruth Hughes came forward and asked if the Town Council had received her letter; Supervisor Boukai stated yes, all council members had the letter. Ms. Hughes felt she was shut off from speaking what she felt at the public hearing about the proposed solar farm. She stated she had nothing against solar power but stated it's much more effective when it's a personal thing. When it becomes a community thing, it does not really save anybody more money. She discussed the letter and then stated our area is 69% cloudy. She asked if the council had any questions for her. Boukai stated no and thanked her for her letter. Hughes added that it's been 20 years since she actually felt strongly about having to do something and if she didn't speak up she wouldn't be able to sleep, and this is something she needs to say something about.

Approval of March 10, 2025 Minutes:

Councilmember Krzyston made a motion to accept the above minutes as presented. Councilmember Baldwin seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Old Business:

N/A

New Business:

Supervisor Boukai presented the floor to Marianne Greenfield, Town Historian. Greenfield wanted to let people know about the Revolutionary War veterans project that will be going on now for the next several years. This is the 250th anniversary from 2025 to 2033 of the Revolutionary War. She was a donor who provided money to locate Revolutionary War veteran's gravestones in Delaware County. She is doing Delhi, she also told other towns that she would help them. But she is going to start with Delhi to locate the graves of all of these veterans. Greenfield provided a list of names to the council. The only ones she may not be able to find are Henry Plattner and Jacob Plattner, because she believes that their cemetery, the family cemetery, is gone. She has looked for it before but can't find it anywhere. She stated if anybody thinks of anything that she might want to follow up on, as far as the cemetery goes, there's one man listed on here, Gideon Hammond, that

his participation in the Revolutionary War is uncertain. So, he's in the Christian Church by Fitches Bridge. If anybody wants to know more about this, or wants to volunteer, or know somebody who might want to volunteer for looking for gravestones, trying to read what's on the stones, especially young people. Possibly 4h club, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, whatever young people you can rope into doing this it would be appreciated Greenfield said. Councilmember Baldwins said Marianne, because you and I have a long history with Woodland, we have a special file. We have files for Revolutionary War and all the wars; Greenfield said six or eight of them, and she added chances are that they were disinterred from the village Court Street burial ground to Woodland cemetery. But she'd love to look at that file. The ones on the paper are the ones we know about. She added sort of know about because they're at least five different websites for Delhi cemeteries and veterans. So she is just truly trying to piece it together, to figure out who's real and who isn't real. Councilmember Krzyston asked, are you trying to find only these ones or are you trying to find others; he added when you say you want people to help look, they would be looking for these names. Greenfield said yes, and Councilmember Baldwin can help with this too, because she knows where the bodies are buried. Baldwin said I do, and added she thought that in the file they had more than a couple. But again, as you said, they might have been disinterred. Greenfield said possibly in the soldier's circle. She definitely knows where Ebenezer Foote is buried because he's got his own plot but there's some others, there's Woodland Frisbee, the Christian Church. She is trying to find Gideon Hammond, we can't confirm he was a revolutionary war veteran, she is hoping to follow up on him. She is open to any ideas that anyone has.

Supervisor Boukai introduced Sean Leddy of Delaware County Planning, Park & Watershed Affairs. Leddy said the town hired him to do a redesign for the park (playground/pool). Leddy placed the plans on the table for the council to look at and continued that he had met with Boukai a couple times. They talked about what was in place. The plan he is presenting reflects what came out of those discussions, but also what he felt was important to bring it all together, and to have some continuity to the park. He presented one sheet with a drawing in which he strongly recommended building an entrance road, doing some nice screening there on the backs of the properties this will give it a more park like feel driving into the park and making the sidewalk connection there.

He presented another sheet that showed sidewalk connections up to Main Street. He stated the next sheet, really tied it all together. He recommended by the concession building using little pavers or stamp concrete area there for gatherings, expanding the existing parking. He further said the main reason for doing that is because one of the program elements is a 20 by 40 pavilion that can accommodate roughly about 80 people. The parking down there would not be sufficient for that. So, in addition to expanding to double load at that side, I also proposed along the area wheel stops in the grass for overflow parking, so that could be in the grass, people park there already. It's kind of a mixed-use spot now as people park there for a baseball games or a soccer games or something, it gets used. He thought that it was a good idea to plant a few trees, designate actual parking spots to kind of keep it in check. He and Boukai talked a lot about the way the entrance to the pool is kind of like almost it's a back door on the other side of buildings. They talked about creating, like a main entrance through the gate in the front. He showed where the pavilion and some barbecues areas would be. The area out in front would be in just a little gathering space. He would have a kiosk in there, a water fountain, a couple of benches, maybe trash receptacles and recycling receptacles. And again, these plans, this is like a conceptual master plan, so the details of exactly how this all fits can evolve.

He further stated they talked about maybe replacing the kiddie pool with a splash pad, his drawing showed that on there, which allows for the removal of that interior fence, which he showed as the expanded pool deck surface on both sides of the pool with chaise chairs and umbrellas. They also talked about having them sleeve the concrete so they can be put away and stored when they're not in use, and then just set in. Councilmember Krzyston said you said you expanded the deck and asked where; Leddy said 10 feet on one side and seven feet out on the other side. Leddy added basically, we did talk about making it potentially even bigger than that, but he felt like that was plenty for the purpose, and that would allow some green space still within the inside of the fence. He then said they did talk about going right up to the fence, but it's additional cost, and he doesn't know that it really would give anything more for the cost.

Leddy said Boukai and he discussed adding a second gate, so if people were using the pavilion, they could come and go through the pool area. Leddy showed on the rendering by the parking area bike racks, which there's one down there already. He then showed the proposed new sidewalk over to and connecting the playground to the areas and to the restrooms. He also showed a second smaller pavilion which he and Boukai talked about which was 14 by 20, which is big enough for a couple of picnic tables and could be used for kid's birthday parties, maybe accommodating 20-30 people. The drawing showed another gate through the little fence which would be a connection to this to the parking area. People are going there for that purpose, truly as it is now. It's just all the individual elements disconnected from each other right now.

Leddy and Boukai discussed adding showers, they're proposed on the side of the building (existing building.) Leddy added there's a trench drain there now for water, he proposed, and with the showers, there'd be more water, and that would be potable water. He is proposing catching that water, collecting it, channeling it, and putting it, directing it to an area, which is historically wet anyway, and having like a rain garden there. They had discussed the addition of a whole bunch of trees, and maybe some plants, shrub plantings as well, just kind of green up the area. His drawings showed screening around the existing propane tanks. He also proposed two monument entrance park signs. He envisions something similar to the Hoyt Park sign with some stone veneer, nicely branded directional signs.

Leddy showed another option which showed a different area for the big pavilion and an improved parking area designated for that use. Leddy said the roof for the pavilion is large and we could catch the water off of that and could increase the size of the pool deck on both sides. Doing so we could redirect the water to another area, and we could have a little bit larger of a rain garden area out front as a feature. A little bit different configuration in the plaza area in the front, a little bit different orientation for the chemical storage area, which he failed to mention in the first presentation. Both Leddy and Boukai discussed getting the chemical area out of the building to prolong life on the equipment. So that's at the back of the building. Here, again, some shrub and tree accent, plant things. The kiosk that we're showing is hopefully going to utilize that sign that you guys already have down there, similar to what you would see at a trail head or any other park. Councilmember Baldwin said you can tell that you've been with this for many years, you did an enormous amount of homework. She added we would want to check with the chemical people as to how the chemicals get delivered. I know they like to be a little closer to the building. They get concerned about people moving around with them, transporting, either by container, they are 100-gallon containers, or getting the truck with the hose close by. Baldwin said the other thing is Phase Three of the playground, if I was to do that building up there in the playground area, I would make that the last thing, because the idea was to expand the play equipment and it and if the building went in, it would cause some issues with the possibility of expanding the play equipment.

Leddy said he and Boukai spoke of the issues that he saw, with this property is the vehicular circulation bisecting between the pool and the playground area. He proposed improvements here to prevent that from happening, but the driveway that wraps around the back would still allow for deliveries of chemicals and things pretty close to the building. Baldwin said they (the chemical company) still wanted to do it from the front, but we know it's less than 100 feet. The intention from the get-go was never to have anything but foot traffic between the playground and pool for safety reasons.

They discussed the tree placements and Boukai talked with Don had picked out a list of trees. Leddy had proposed ideal locations for developing a tree canopy. He and Boukai talked about maybe if we do trees up front, picking out locations that are kind of out of the way and won't be in the way of other parts of the project. Baldwin said she likes that the trees are far enough from the pool, so you don't have to worry about leaves falling and blowing in the pool.

Leddy said these are park master plans, the town can implement piece by piece, phase by phase, really, the ideal part of doing a plan like this is to try and hook up with Parks and Rec at the state or federal level, some funding to potentially implement a whole lot more of it with just a smaller local match. Baldwin said it was exciting. Boukai added she thought both plans were beautiful, and she doesn't have a preference, I think they've both accomplished what we set out to accomplish. Boukai asked if the council thought they had captured all of

the goals and is there anything else they would like to see added. Both Boukai and Leddy said they didn't know there was a second, planned expansion of the playground (phase three).

Leddy added there are some recommendations on there, as far as maintenance, addressing the mulch, on pretty much an annual basis. Councilmember Baldwin said this is amazing to capture everything so well, you did it. You did nail it. You have the flexibility of your pavilions and the mature trees and putting other trees in you thought about the chemicals, it's really nice. The council and Leddy discussed possible costs of the projected projects.

Boukai said she spoke with Mayor Gearhart today in terms of the concession stand, the village is willing to put water and sewer in there so that we can have functioning facilities. And then she spoke to him about doing sidewalk work to get things rolling. He said that was definitely something they could do. We just need to figure out timing and all that kind of stuff. Leddy said he was glad Boukai mentioned the sidewalk, because he forgot to mention on the other side of the concession stand where it's built, it's village property. There's a little strip that stops there. On his drawings he connected the dots there, throughout the property.

Councilmember Morgan said he liked how it flows. Boukai added it's really cohesive. Councilmember Viafore asked if both plans change the entry to the pool? Leddy said yes and there's a little bit different configuration as far as the shape of that entry, but they're just options. Viafore said she liked it. Councilmember Baldwin said that's where the entrance was supposed to be originally, and the chemical building was also on that end. She added this is perfect. Boukai said she was so glad she liked it. You're the one that was most concerned, because I know it's your baby. No, I think it really helps that you've been here and seen the progression of it, so you knew all the different components that people had talked about. And she added that Leddy saw the vision before any of the council did, and so he did a beautiful job. Leddy said he watched this project for the 10 years of it being planned and the council knew how to reach him for anything further.

Baldwin said this clears the direction for grants or donations, yeah, depending on the availability of grants for this type of thing. Leddy said depending on the availability of grants lots of times its beneficial to hold off on doing something and utilize that as a match. Councilmember Krzyston said like the sidewalks, Leddy said yes, if the village is willing to commit that, then that's, the match that we can use the cost of materials even. Baldwin said the engraved bricks, we researched that, and animal shelter has those. That's been a fundraiser, and successful. Leddy said he didn't propose a lot of pavers, but did show a little area by the concessions as an option, but brick pavers come with maintenance issues over time, freezing and thawing and heating, those sorts of things and settling, so he went with concrete, but they are an option. The council thanked Leddy for all his work.

Supervisor Boukai stated everyone had received the copy of the SEQR for the proposed local law Resolution No. 003 of 2025. Local Law Amending Article 1X of the Town of Delhi Zoning Code Entitled "Administration", she asked if anyone had questions on the SEQR, which she had completed. Boukai stated the only question she answered yes to was, "does the action only involve the legislative adoption of a plan, local law, ordinance, administrative, Rule of Regulation, and that narrative is the law itself." The council agreed. With this she requested a motion for the following resolution:

RESOLUTION No. 003 of 2025

April 14, 2025

RESOLUTION ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW NO.001 of 2025

Local Law Amending Article 1X of the Town of Delhi Zoning Code Entitled "Administration"

WHEREAS, The Delhi Town Council has reviewed and considered the Proposed Local Law NO.1 of 2025

WHEREAS, the Local Law was presented to the Town Council at least 10 days prior to the Town Council meeting on April 14, 2025,

WHEREAS, the Town Council has established a hearing on Local Law NO.1 of 2025,

WHEREAS, the public hearing was properly noticed in the Town’s official newspaper on March 27, 2025 and April 3, 2025,
WHEREAS, the public hearing on the proposed Local Law was held on April 14, 2025 at the Delhi Town Hall, 5 Elm Street.
WHEREAS, the Town Council reviewed and considered all public comments received on the Local Law,
WHEREAS, the proposed Local Law was on file for inspection at the Town Clerk’s Office prior to the hearing and during the public review process; and
WHEREAS, the Town Council has identified the relevant areas of environmental inquiry and taken a hard look at them for the proposed Local Law; and
WHEREAS, the Town Council has issued a negative declaration under SEQR for the proposed Local Law thereby complying with the mandates of the State Environmental Quality Review;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF DELHI, DELAWARE COUNTY, NEW YORK:

That the Town Council of the Town of Delhi hereby determines that Proposed Local Law NO.1 of 2025, attached hereto and made a part hereof, is hereby adopted as A Local Law Amending Article IX of the Town of Delhi Zoning Code Entitled “Administration” and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk and the Attorney for the Town are hereby directed to take such actions as are necessary to implement this resolution and effect adoption of the Local Law.

Motion made by: Councilmember Morgan
 Motion Seconded by: Councilmember Krzyston

Roll Call:

	YEA	NAY	ABSENT
Supervisor Maya Boukai	<u> X </u>	_____	_____
Councilman Matthew Krzyston	<u> X </u>	_____	_____
Councilman Margaret Baldwin	<u> X </u>	_____	_____
Councilman Josh Morgan	<u> X </u>	_____	_____
Councilman Christina Viafore	<u> X </u>	_____	_____

Supervisor Boukai requested a motion to adopt Local Law No. 001 of 2025, Councilmember Baldwin made the motion with Councilmember Morgan seconding, roll call as follows:

TOWN OF DELHI LOCAL LAW NO. 001 OF THE YEAR 2025

A LOCAL LAW AMENDING ARTICLE IX OF THE TOWN OF DELHI ZONING CODE ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION"

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Delhi as follows:

Section 1. Amendment to Article I of the Town of Delhi Zoning Code

Article IX of the Town of Delhi Zoning Code shall hereby be amended by adding a new section entitled "Section 910 Retention of Expert Assistance and Reimbursement by Applicant" as follows:

SECTION 910. Retention of Expert Assistance and Reimbursement by Applicant:

- A. The Board may hire any consultant and/or expert reasonably necessary to assist the Town in reviewing and evaluating any application for a variance, site plan review, or special use permit.
- B. Upon request of the Town Board, and at the sole discretion of the Town Board, an applicant shall deposit with the Town funds sufficient to reimburse the Town for all reasonably necessary costs of consultant and expert evaluation and consultation to the Board in connection with the review of any application for a variance, site plan review, or special use permit in accordance with the applicable provision(s) of the Town of Delhi Zoning Code. These funds shall accompany the filing of an application, upon request by the Town Board, and the Town shall maintain a separate escrow account for all such funds. The Town's consultants/experts shall, in accordance with an agreement between the Town and its consultants or experts, bill or invoice the Town no less frequently than monthly for its services in reviewing the application and performing its duties.

If at any time during the review process:

- 1. Where the applicant is seeking a variance, the escrow account has a balance less than \$250.00, an applicant shall immediately, upon notification from the Town, replenish said escrow account so that it has a balance of at least \$2,000.00.
- 2. Where the applicant is seeking other than a variance, the escrow account has a balance of less than \$1,000.00, an applicant shall immediately, upon notification by the Town, replenish said escrow account so that it has a balance of at least \$5,000.00.

If, at the conclusion of the review process, the cost of such reasonably necessary consultant/expert services is more than the amount escrowed pursuant hereto, the applicant shall pay the difference to the Town prior to the issuance of any variance, special use permit, an/or site plan approval. In the event that the amount held in escrow by the Town is more than the amount of the actual billing or invoicing by the Town's consultants or experts, the difference shall be promptly refunded to the applicant upon receipt of a written request for the same which shall be forwarded to the Town Clerk, Town Attorney, Town Engineer, and any other professional consultant retained by the Town regarding said application.

- C. The total amount of the funds set forth in Subsection B. of this Section may vary with the scope and complexity of the project, the completeness of the application and other information as may be needed by the Board or its consultant/expert to complete the necessary review and analysis. Additional escrow funds, as required and requested by the Town, shall be paid by the applicant. Notice of the hiring of a consultant/expert shall be given to the applicant prior to or immediately following the retention of the same in connection with an applicant's project.
- D. During the Code Enforcement Officer's administrative review as well as review by the Town Board and/or Town Planning Board, the Code Enforcement Officer, Town Board, and/or Planning Board may retain an expert to help determine questions that are reasonably necessary to make a determination on an application for a variance, site plan review, or special use permit. No initial deposit for a consultant or expert is necessary, until and after such time that the Code Enforcement Officer, Town Board, or Planning Board determines that consultants and/or experts are necessary. At such time, the Code Enforcement Officer or

Town Board, on behalf of itself or the Planning Board, will set the initial deposit at an amount not to exceed \$7,500. The initial deposit will be maintained as a separate escrow amount. Bills and invoices shall be handled as indicated herein. Depleted escrow accounts shall be replenished as indicated herein, when necessary. As indicated herein, applicant shall pay the difference to the Town of any cost of the consultant/expert services not covered by the escrow monies. Any additional monies in the escrow account shall be refunded to the applicant.

Section 3. Repealer

All Ordinances, Local Laws, and parts thereof, inconsistent with this Local Law are hereby repealed. All other Ordinances, Local Laws, and parts thereof shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. Separability

The provisions of this Local Law are separable and if any provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part thereof is held illegal, invalid, unconstitutional, or inapplicable to any person or circumstance, such illegality, invalidity or unconstitutionality, or inapplicability shall not affect or impair any of the remaining provisions, clauses, sentences, subsections, words, or parts of this local law or their application to other persons or circumstances. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this local law would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional provision, clause, sentence, subsection, word or part had not been included therein, and as if such person or circumstance, to which the local law or part thereof is held inapplicable, had been specifically exempt therefrom.

Section 5. Effective Date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

**Roll Call
April 14, 2025**

	<u>AYE</u>	<u>NAY</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Maya Boukai, Town Supervisor	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Margaret Baldwin, Councilmember	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Josh Morgan, Councilmember	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Matthew Krzyston, Councilmember	<u>X</u>	_____	_____
Christina Viafore, Councilmember	<u>X</u>	_____	_____

The clerk will send the law to the state for filing.

Supervisor Boukai informed the council that we had received formal confirmation that our ARC grant application was accepted. It's the \$50,000 for the joint comprehensive plan. This is basically entering into the contract with them. It's a reimbursement grant that we have discussed. Councilmember Baldwin added which Boukai wrote and thanked her. Boukai requested a motion to accept entering into the contract with the ARC for our comprehensive plan. Councilmember Viafore made the motion with Councilmember Krzyston seconding. Motion carried.

Supervisor Boukai thanked Councilmember Baldwin for mentioning the low deductibles. Boukai discussed this with Chris Slonaker, of NYMIR and he sent us a report showing what claims we've made in the last five years. There was one claim that was paid out on, I believe it was when the truck was damaged by the falling tree. So, that's the only one we've had. Basically, what it breaks down to is there's three different sections

where we could potentially reduce our insurance premiums by changing the deductible. One is in the public official category of the insurance. One is general liability, and one is property. Boukai added she thought that our property deductible right now is at zero or 1,000 it's really low, and we haven't had any claims on that. The general liability is where the truck came into play. So that was that section. We have that at zero right now also, and we were considering upping the deductible to 5k so we can save anywhere between \$115 or around \$3,800 if we increase all the deductibles. She asked the council what they thought, as she had sent it to them prior to the meeting to review. Councilmember Krzyston said we should raise our deductible given our history of collecting against insurance. Boukai said for example, like with the concession stand, we didn't go through insurance for that. We paid out a pocket for it. So, something like that, that was property, the \$650 we would have saved having the higher deductible, if we're not going to use the insurance for some of these lower things, you might as well have the higher deductible. She went on to say we could start with a 5k deductible on each of those that would save \$115 on public official's insurance, \$1,200 on liability and \$1,500 on the property, that's about \$3,000. Krzyston asked if it only saves us \$150 on the public officials, by going from \$2,500 to \$5,000 that's not that big and now we are already at \$2,500. Boukai said yes, the two biggies are the general liability in the property and general liability which now is at zero. Krzyston said he would be in favor of raising them all to \$5,000 across the board. Boukai said she thinks that it's easy to then modify, if we need to, knowing everything's at \$5,000. Councilmember Baldwin asked if we do this, is there a fee for the midyear change? Boukai said as far as she knows, no if anything, we'd be just getting the refund, prorated for the amount of days we didn't, we entered into our new contract, was the first of this month, so we paid for 15 days, we would get the prorated amount. Councilmember Krzyston asked if there were any differing opinions to Councilmember Viafore and Councilmember Morgan. Viafore stated she went back and forth in her head a million times. If one thing happens then you're having to pay five grand though, Morgan echoed Viafore. He had mixed feelings.

Councilmember Baldwin said we do that in our homes, and businesses and everything it's always a risk. She just wanted to save more than \$3,000. Councilmember Morgan added if you had one claim a year, just by circumstances. Boukai added you almost need to go two years without any claims to justify the savings. She added this is not something we need to decide right now. I mean, we'll get the pro-rated amount back at any point. Morgan said personally, he would need to think about it a little bit more, especially the one policy only saving \$115 a year Boukai said from her understanding, that one's the one where if one of us steals, or something like that, the deductibles is \$2,500 now it would be \$5,000. Councilmember Viafore said that's the least one she is worried about. Morgan said exactly. Boukai said she thought that one we could easily up to the five grand, but it's also not saving us anything. Adding, if we're only going to save \$650 by going to the \$2,500 deductible, she would rather just keep it where it is. Boukai then said we either need to go to the 5k or the 10k. Viafore and Morgan agreed that 10k scared them. Morgan said that's a lot. Baldwin reiterated the only claim we had on one of those was the one that the tree fell on the truck. Boukai said yes, adding we can table this until next time, even if we do nothing, everyone on this board knows now that there is wiggle room there if we do need to tighten our budget on certain things.

Boukai added we budgeted for what the insurance premiums were this year appropriately; they went up less than we thought they would, so we're already ahead of the game in that respect. So, I don't know that this is imperative, but it was definitely worth looking into. Viafore said she thought the insurance would be way more than what you said it was. Councilmember Krzyston said he would add though that we are in a position where we sort of can insure ourselves, because we have capital savings, and we have that for a reason. It's to pay for something if it gets messed up. So, we're kind of double insured although not everybody would agree with him. Further saying if we can afford to fix things without insurance, then we can. Boukai said that's a valid point, especially because we probably wouldn't use the insurance unless it was something big, like a building or something like that. Boukai again asked if the council wanted to table the decision until May's meeting? Councilmember Morgan said personally, he'd like to think about it more. Viafore said she could change her mind every day. Councilmember Baldwin said she liked Matt's statement regarding the capital funds. Supervisor Boukai said let's do on the general liability, right now we have a zero deductible, if we move to \$5,000 that's a \$1,257 savings. She proposed that we modify the public officials, modify the general liability, and we can leave the property where it's at right now,

because that's really the big one that's going to require the \$10,000 deductible, or the \$5,000 deductible. She proposed that the town increase the deductible on public officials and general liability and will hold off on property until next time. Councilmember Baldwin asked that she find out if there's a fee for changing. Boukai said yes. Baldwin said she agreed. Boukai then requested a motion to modify the public official's deductible and the general liability deductible both to \$5,000 for a savings of approximately \$1,350. Councilmember Krzyston stated so moved, with Councilmember Baldwin seconding. Councilmember Morgan stated that as he always liked the cushion of the insurance and everything, so at this time he was going to be opposed to it. The motion carried showing Morgan being opposed. Boukai stated we'll come back to property insurance.

Supervisor Boukai announced the opening of the bids for hauling, fuel oil and diesel fuel. They are as follows:

Item #1: Hauling fees for approximately 4000 yards of #1 washed crushed stone from Seward Sand and Gravel (Rider Pit); any remaining stone that is needed if Rider Pit cannot make enough will have to be hauled from Seward Sand and Gravel Main Pit and 4000 yards of #1 washed crushed stone from Clark Companies (Romar Pit) to Delhi Highway Department stockpile Sherwood Road. Bid will be awarded to one bidder with the lowest combined bids for both pits. Hauling of material must be complete by October 10, 2025.

	<u>Rider (Seward) Pit</u>	<u>Romar (Clark) Pit</u>	<u>Combined Bid</u>
Double M Industries	\$ 6.70	\$ 7.20	\$13.90
Gerster Trucking	\$ 7.25	\$ 8.00	\$15.25
Seward Sand & Gravel	\$ 9.00 (TON)	\$ 9.00 (TON)	\$18.00 (PER TON)
Delaware Bulldozing	\$15.00 (Non-Prevailing)	\$19.00 (Non-Prevailing)	\$34.00 (Non-Prevailing)
Delaware Bulldozing	\$18.00 (Prevailing)	\$22.80 (Prevailing)	\$40.80 (Prevailing)

Item #2: #1 Diesel Fuel – Price delivered to Town of Delhi Highway Garage. Bid will be a fixed price per gallon; any/all fees must be included. Fuel must be cut 60/40 Kero by October 10, 2025.

****NO BIDS****

Item #3: #2 Heating Oil – Price delivered to Delhi Town Hall and Highway Garage. Bid will be a fixed price.

Allison Oil \$2.99 per gallon

The board awarded the following: Item #1 – Hauling fees to Double M Industries with the conformation that the combined bid was “per yard.” Councilmember Krzyston made the motion and Councilmember Morgan seconding; Motion carried. The council discussed the bidding as one of the bidders used “per ton” which was not what the bidding notice stated. Item #2 - #1 Diesel Fuel there were no bids, there were no bids last year either. Evans will piggyback off the county contract. Item #3 – Heating Oil – Councilmember Baldwin made a motion to accept Allison Oil’s bid with Councilmember Viafore seconding. Motion carried. The Clerk will send letters.

Supervisor Boukai brought forth the Delaware County All Hazards Mitigation Plan (AHMP) which needs to be renewed. This is a five-year update; the county serves as lead agent. Every municipality in the county is required to maintain a current HMP to remain compliant and eligible for pre disaster hazard mitigation funds to alleviate the need for each town and village to complete an individual plan. Delaware County maintains a multi-jurisdictional plan that includes a section specific to each community and community, and this serves to keep everyone in compliance. Boukai then asked for a motion to authorize her to sign the letter to acknowledge participation in the plan update and supporting their funding application. Councilmember Baldwin made the motion with Councilmember Morgan seconding, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Highway/Machinery: (Councilmember’s Baldwin & Morgan) Written report from Superintendent Evans provided to councilmembers. Councilmember Baldwin stated she saw on Evan’s report that they were going to be working on particular roads. She listed roads West Platner Brook, Hamden Hill, Hamden Spur,

Reuben Todd, Sherwoods, Platner Brook. Evans stated those roads are specific to the power line project that were referenced on the road preservation bond. Supervisor Boukai asked if the bond had been issued yet, Evans stated he had not seen anything nor had the clerk. Baldwin asked about Elk Creek because she saw that the state is going to be working on that segment, and we'll be cutting off just before elk Creek. She asked if he was prepared for that confusion on top of everything else. Evan's stated it's just after Elk Creek, towards the Bloomville side, and it's going to be down to one lane traffic for the whole summer, Boukai added it looks like it's actually going to happen because didn't we get one of these last year. Evans said yes, finally, they are doing it this year they've started construction on it already. Evans added that is the direction we are going. Obviously, there's ways around it. Councilmember Morgan asked about the sweeper; when did Evans think the gear is going to be in for that? Evans stated he hadn't had an update yet, luckily, they still have the other one. So that's obviously occupied a lot of our time cleaning the winter material off the roads, and we're going to stick with it as conditions allow. But the rest of the road work is ramping up. Evans further stated obviously also we will be starting ditches, cleaning where needed on that 12 plus miles of road that we have planned for single surface oil and stone later this summer. We'll be going through ditching, and we have the four-speed loader rented starting the last week of April, as we do every year.

Baldwin said that on the 13th of March, we met with a resident who had many concerns, and it was really a positive. It worked out really well. He understood a little bit more about the highway department and how they operate, and he had valid concerns, but out of the control of the municipality and she believed he appreciated it. Boukai added she appreciated Baldwin and Evans taking the time to go meet with him.

Boukai asked Evans if there were any FEMA updates. Evans said he has another follow up meeting tomorrow. Unfortunately, the meetings are scheduled every two weeks, so it prolongs the progress. Evans said they have most of our work done. The only thing being worked on now is the proposed projects, improvement projects, and Delaware Engineering is fully on board with that, so we're just continuing that process. He was hoping for a little bit more information tomorrow after two o'clock.

Councilmember Morgan asked Evans who owns that parcel land off from Arbor Hill, that corner. Evans stated Delaware County, where they ripped it up again. Morgan said it was just seeded so nice, and it's getting torn up. It bugs me. Evans said they caught somebody last year doing it, kept them there, but that is all Delaware County. Councilmember Baldwin asked where someone recently drove right across. Morgan said it's terrible. Evans said unfortunately, they got stuck in there because they were in there screwing around, and they made a terrible mess.

Councilmember Krzyston asked Evans to remind him what, what's the next big purchase for the highway department? What do we have planned for equipment? Evans stated equipment wise, we going to do the lease program for the two, two trucks this coming year, one cabin chassis retrofitted with a body that we have, and then 10-wheel dump truck, sander plow unit. Boukai asked if the air compressor was all up and running. Evans said yes, all hooked up and running. And we received what we had budgeted in this year, the 2024 Ram pickup truck. Councilmember Morgan asked if they had any equipment that they are going to surplus coming up after purchasing or leasing? Evans said it won't be until 2026. Boukai asked if Evans was planning on attending the highway conference, Evans stated yes. Boukai asked for a motion to accept Evan's report, Councilmember Morgan made the motion to accept the report with Councilmember Krzyston seconding. Motion carried.

Personnel: (Councilmember's Viafore & Baldwin): Councilmember Baldwin stated that the cleaner will be cleaning the highway garage. Evans said its much needed and appreciated. Boukai said the plan is to have the cleaner go to the shop the second and fourth Fridays of the month, he will be at the town hall the remainder of the hours.

Councilmember Baldwin gave the floor to Town Justice Burkert. Burkert stated the JCAP moneys have come in. They purchased a new printer that came and installed it that's up and running. We got another new computer that replaced our last old computer. So we have that for our records. We've been in contact with the company that has the contract to do that. They're getting us on a schedule as they didn't have a definitive date. We're hoping within the next month to have the records, which is the big part of our grant, be addressed. So

that's good news. The money came. We got the printer. We ordered some supplies, Ms. Tofts, ordered some paper, some pens and some other stuff that was in the grant.

Councilmember Baldwin added the court has been pretty busy. Justice Burkert stated yes, we have been. It's been busy, we have court tomorrow, we have a full docket tomorrow for our vehicle and traffic day, and then the following Tuesday we have as our criminal docket day. But diversion has taken a couple of cases off. We're getting more and more of them each month that are going through that program. Boukai stated that this month was nine. Councilmember Baldwin asked if Boukai was able to find out anything about diversion and how the percentages really worked. Boukai stated no, we'll wait for the next check to come in, and we'll figure out what we'll divide by nine and see where we are.

Baldwin if you collect \$6,800 for the month of March, how much of that goes to the village and how much goes to the town in general. Burkert stated the monies that were readmitted, we collect all of the monies between the fines and surcharges, then the court issues a check to the board for those monies. The board then sends that check to the comptroller. The comptroller then has its own algorithm to determine which funds come back. But for like parking tickets, for instance, parking tickets are coded as they're a village ordinance, so we collect \$8 in parking tickets. That money comes back in what he understands is then the town will issue a check to the village for those monies. Burkert added last year, we had that issue with the parking tickets where they weren't coded correctly, but we ended up finding it and making the correction regarding monies. On other vehicle and traffic tickets there is a computer algorithm used by the comptroller's office that the percentages change depending on the ticket. It's almost like a rotating algorithm, because he called to find out exactly how everything was dispersed, and there is no reasoning for like a speeding ticket. 70% goes to the town or whatever. It all depends, and it changes. They couldn't give him any definitive answer with surcharges. Surcharges were readmitted back to the state, so the only monies that are readmitted back to the municipalities would be the fine money, the surcharges go directly back to the state.

Councilmember Baldwin wanted to say Chris Bodo, the Dog Control Officer, is doing a great job in his position. It's just amazing how good he is at what he does. Code Enforcement, she sees, has been very busy. She also thanked the public for being interested in asking questions.

Boukai stated she and Baldwin have met with each member of the highway department, kind of taking everyone's pulse on what's working well, and what could be improved on. We've met with Evans to discuss that and are coming up with some plans. She hopes to have a lot more information in May, but Baldwin worked on a really nice organizational chart. There're some things we'll be doing in the break room area at the highway department, just so that it's very explicit on who to contact in certain situations and just making communication a bit more in people's face, so they know who to contact if they have any issues. Communication was a big thing that was mentioned at our meetings. Boukai further added she thinks everyone can improve their communication, regardless of what department or where, personal life, private or whatever.

Recreation/Health/Youth: (Councilmember's Krzyston & Supervisor Boukai): Supervisor Boukai announced SUNY is offering free swim lessons from basically all of July into August. It's six weeks, they're doing morning session, they're also doing an evening session. For that reason, we will not be doing any swim lessons from when schools out. Basically, she doesn't want to duplicate the services they're offering. SUNY's lessons are going to be free. We don't need to compete with that. It also lets us have open swim later in the evenings, which has been a community concern, where you're swimming at the pool, and then you have to get out because of some lessons. SUNY is helping mitigate that with the timing that they're having lessons. That being said, we are exploring having lessons after school for the month of June. SUNY's pool is closed for all of June, we thought it could be a potential opportunity that we could offer those lessons. Boukai is still waiting to hear if we have the instructors to be able to do that. The challenge is that school is still in session, so we need to make sure the lifeguards are available, and the instructors are available.

Unfortunately, at this point, it looks like John K. will not be returning to us this year in any kind of formal capacity, because he's taken on a role as the aquatic director, doing swimming and diving. So that has really expanded his responsibilities and his time commitment. But we're still going to have him on board as an employee. That way, if we do need to use him for emergency situations and things like that, he's more than open

to that. If his schedule does free up in the month of June, he was potentially interested in teaching lessons, but he's also looking to have a little bit of a break before he's doing am and pm lessons.

The other thought was, SUNY is not offering water aerobics, and that's kind of the big thing that we offered last year that was really beneficial to the community. What we're looking at is trying to start aerobics at the beginning of June, again, with school still being in session, that leaves Rebecca being the only instructor able to do the morning lessons, because Amy's teaching all day, Amy's willing to come into the afternoons and teach aerobics in the afternoons and open the pool, provided we have the lifeguards, which it looks like we do. As far as Boukai knows at this point, every lifeguard is planning on coming back from last year, and we have a few that are training right now with John to get certified. Boukai feels like we're 90% there.

Things are a little bit up in the air, but not having swimming lessons during the main part of the summer is going to offer us a lot of opportunities to experiment with different things. We've talked about a movie night. We've talked about having some kind of swimming triathlon, where you have different things, you need to do each week, and then you get, like, a certificate or some kind of T-shirt, something like that, that we could discuss. All of this hinges on the heater being repaired, and they're coming out at the end of the month to do that. So hopefully we have enough time to get all of that done. Todd's coming out, either Friday or Saturday, to remove the covers from the pool, because the covers need to be removed in order for the heater to start, be cranked up and see what's wrong with it. So, we're about a month ahead of where she wants to be.

Boukai said SUNY has offered to let us borrow their aerobics equipment again this year. From what I've heard also, had SUNY not received this \$25,000 or \$40,000 grant to offer free swim lessons, there would definitely have been a bigger debate on whether the pool even stays open at SUNY for the summer. She added she priced out aerobics' equipment, it's \$827 for 20 sets of weights and 20 sets of belts, she thought that with John not being here, we would now kind of have a little bit of wiggle room to maybe do purchases like this. However, SUNY has offered us their equipment for free, so she wanted to get a little feedback on that. Boukai asked if the town should just take them up on their offer and know that eventually we might have to purchase this at about \$1,000 or do we want to just purchase our own and not have to worry about bringing their stuff back and forth? So that's something she wanted to discuss.

And then the last thing with the playground has received three bids to get certified wood chips. She had sent the council all the prices. Benjamin Brothers seems to be the cheapest, probably because they're the most local as well. She further stated we're saving on delivery fees. It was a lot more than I thought it was going to be \$3,600 to have 100 cubic yards delivered. But the last time it was delivered was three years ago, when the playground was installed. If you break it out to a per year thing, it's not horrible. Baldwin added there's a difference in the grades. And asked if Boukai had spoken with Parkitect. Boukai added they were the second lowest bid. Benjamin Brothers will give us a certificate with it saying it's certified for playground use.

Baldwin asked when they were going to be spreading and asked if possibly, we could get the SUNY students to do the spreading. Boukai asked Benjamin Brothers when she talked to him last week, if we decide to go with them, then she can let them know tomorrow. They will have to deliver in two deliveries, 50 cubic yards at a time, they could deliver some Thursday and some Friday, meaning the students could potentially spread the wood chips for us on Saturday. She didn't know if it would be coming in on an 18-wheeler, so she wasn't aware how close they could be able to get to the playground, or if they're just going to dump it in the parking lot. Which would mean we would need to deal with it. So, between shovels and wheelbarrows, or like a tarp that maybe could be dragged through the gates. The council discussed the delivery and the amount of mulch we need to do the correct amount of coverage. Boukai will discuss the ability to have them deliver it inside the gate area. Councilmember Krzyston said even for an extra \$500 it would be a game changer in order to get it spread, as it's a lot of mulch. Benjamin Brothers remembers delivering to us before and will probably be the most flexible Boukai said. A motion was made to purchase the wood chips from Benjamin Brothers with Councilmember Baldwin making the motion and Councilmember Krzyston seconding. Motion carried.

Boukai thanked Evans for moving the picnic tables. On Community Day they were power washed, and repairs were made on a majority of them. The fraternity will be coming to sand and stain them. The consensus was we don't need to paint them as the paint was basically off them and the power washer took care of the rest

of it. Boukai said we are still in need of sanders, extension cords and purchasing the stain sealer. Krzyston and possibly Baldwin will be available. Krzyston will be getting the necessary items.

Boukai asked Evans if we had the recycling bins/trash cans at the playground, they discussed purchasing new lids and receptacles.

Boukai added she had not heard back from the code officer to see if he had signed off on the concession stand, she will reach out to him in the morning. She added it basically looks like it's done, the doors and windows are in. As she earlier mentioned, the village is willing to connect the water and sewers, so she believes we are ready to start to think what needs to be done on the inside. We must also develop a process or procedure of how we want to allow it to be used. Baldwin said she didn't want to discourage trucks from wanting to come also. Councilmember Krzyston said the original intent which we received a donation for was to be a space that vendors can use. He added it was the Chamber of Commerce that contributed for that reason. He added if we want to change that we will have to explain why. The idea was a permit to allow only a couple of people who would have access to it, so there wasn't competition and haphazard use of it. It would be like a calendar reminding everybody what the original idea was. Krzyston said it is not meant for people to be cooking food in there; Boukai added store your food in the refrigerator and have counter space and a sink. Krzyston added they can bring prepared food. Boukai asked in terms of vending during when the pool is open do we want a third party to do it or do we want the town to be taking a role in that. Krzyston said he was in favor of a third party doing that. Boukai asked if there were any type of procedures that have been come up with yet. Baldwin said other than the vendor permits for the exterior she but wasn't sure if the wording could be used for the inside too. Boukai said she is sure we can modify it, adding if we want to be able to use it this year possibly July that's something we need to get rolling on. We also need to get the inside to a place where people want to use it. Councilmember Viafore said she will find the form and see if she can edit it so people can choose. Boukai added if there is a way to do some kind of calendar that's not at the burden of one of us not entering. They can enter a day and pay whatever fees. Baldwin said they should be separate permits for using the stand and having a truck. Boukai added with Sean's plans with the pavilion going in it would be nice to have it broken down for what you want to do.

Krzyston said we need to make a calendar for the arts and crafts program. Boukai said we have Lynn for late July early August and Fotter (?) was coming in to do one thing and Amy was working on finding another adult to that might was to do two more days of programming so we can offer five classes. Krzyston added he has a couple of adults that he believes are good candidates. She shared her information with Krzyston.

Boukai added we have been given \$2,350 from the Youth Bureau, so that's on top of what we usually get for the two employees that lifeguard. She stated the county is waiting to sign the contract for the \$2,000 that Delhi will be allocated for the SWIMS grant.

Boukai brought up the aerobics equipment asking if the council wanted to continue to use SUNY's equipment. Councilmember Baldwin said she thought it was a good idea because Rebecca and Amy are both seasoned anyway. Maybe they will have some ideas and browse a catalog. We can see how the program comes along. Krzyston agreed we used their stuff last year; we should do the same as we did last year. Boukai will put the purchasing on the back burner.

Boukai asked how the council felt about offering private lessons, Amy is on board with teaching and Rebecca is potentially on board. The least trafficked time is 11-1pm and we will offer aerobics from 10-11 like last year and 6-7pm. The thought was to have a "sensory" swim from 11-1 where there is no music, it's more like people just hanging out, kids can hang out at the pool with their family. Baldwin asked what time that was; Boukai said probably 10-12 and maybe private lessons 12-1 with the pool opening to the public at 1. Private lessons could be offered Monday, Wednesday and Friday, she doesn't think we will get a ton of people, but it's something the community has mentioned. The council discussed how it would work, Viafore wondered if it was a timing issue, Boukai said it does bridge the time as SUNY is doing 8-11 and 3-5. You are really only hitting people that aren't working. Baldwin said some of this wouldn't mean the pool has to close. Boukai added historically it's pretty quiet those hours. Baldwin added she felt it might be popular, Boukai said maybe we will try it out and go from there.

Councilmember Baldwin said people want to know more about the “banner project” with the particulars. Councilmember Viafore said the information is on the Historical Society’s website under the programs tab and there is a link to the form. Boukai added they are asking that everyone turn them in by the end of the month. The goal is to have them up by Memorial weekend. If they are purchasing it after that time, it just won’t be up by Memorial Day. Baldwin said knowing the issues there is hanging banners where are they hanging them; Viafore said they are working on that. Boukai said they have NYSE&G approval we are just waiting for the certificate of insurance so that they will issue the permit to place them. The insurance has to come from who’s actually placing them up so we are hoping that Delhi Telephone will put them up for us. Viafore said it sounds like they will she just hasn’t met up with their manager yet. The clerk asked that they make sure people know it’s all Historical Society, the town has nothing to do with it other than a drop-off location.

Economic Development/Shared Services: (Councilmember Morgan & Viafore): Viafore stated they are trying to find a time to meet. Boukai said at this point anything that might be discussed at a shared services meeting can be shared at the table on the May 14th joint meeting. Baldwin said the meeting is at 5:30.

Buildings/Codes: (Councilmember Morgan & Krzyston): Councilmember Krzyston stated with the concession building there seems to be one thing that hasn’t been done yet. They were going to build a cover for the serving window, one that flips down. Boukai said the check is signed but we are waiting for the code officer to sign off on everything. They discussed some issues.

Boukai stated the code officer had reached out to her regarding the Bramley Mountain Fire Tower. They have requested that the stipulation regarding the tower be actively manned and monitored be removed. She went on to read the stipulation which stated the tower needed to be securely locked when not actively monitors. The permit holder is responsible for ensuring that access is restricted to authorized personnel only. The fire tower people have requested this to be removed from the building permit. Dale had approached her and asked her to bring it to the council. Boukai added she reached out our insurance agent and he said he told the county that the county insurance and the committee for the county insurance should make a decision on that, but from his perspective there is no issue with removing that clause and they don’t think it’s a big risk to allow people to go up there when it’s not stewarded. Most of the other towers don’t have that requirement on their towers. Councilmember Baldwin asked if he could put that in writing as they (the county) is responsible. Boukai said the position she has taken after talking with our insurance carrier is that is something the town doesn’t need to make a decision on because we are not the insurance carrier the county is, and the county is the one taking responsibility for it. From what Boukai understands the county has already said they are fine with opening the tower. She believes what our code officer was looking at from us was just a green light saying we are ok with him proceeding as he thinks he should proceed, and we have no problem with him opening that up. Boukai requested a motion to allow the code officer to do what he thinks he needs to do. Krzyston said he has never been to one where one is locked, Boukai said Chris (our insurance agent) had no issue with it. She had supporting documentation from other towers. Councilmember Morgan added he had hiked many towers in the northeast and the only time he has seen them locked is when they were structurally unsafe. Boukai requested a motion to allow the code officer to remove the stipulation that the stairs and tower must be locked at all times when not manned. Krzyston said it shouldn’t have been there in the first place and made the motion, Councilmember Viafore seconded the motion. Motion carried.

IT: (Councilmember Viafore & Krzyston): Councilmember Viafore discussed Windows 11 having to be installed by October, we are working on figuring that out. What computers can actually be updated and which computers cannot be updated. We will probably have to purchase some computers for those that can’t be updated. Boukai said she believed there are three. Viafore wanted to also caution everyone on space in emails with attached files. They take up a lot of space and we only have a certain amount of space. Every time we email and attachment it takes up space. We have our drive where most of the files probably are we can just send a link to that file; it would take up less space than an attachment. It’s not a problem today but it will be if we keep attaching files, if they are already in our drive just send a link to share.

CODES Monthly Report:

A motion was made by Councilmember Krzyston to accept the Code’s report for March 2025.

Councilmember Morgan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Justice Court Report:

Councilmember Baldwin made the motion to accept the Justice Court Report for March 2025. Councilmember Morgan seconded the motion, motion carried.

Clerk's Monthly Report & Tax Report:

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldwin to accept the March 2025 Clerk and Tax report, seconded by Councilmember Morgan. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Financial Report:

Supervisor Boukai stated year to date as of the end of March we are at \$29,800 in CLAS for interest. She is mentally calculating \$8,000 a month just from CLAS alone. Our CD's will renew in June at DNB she will get that number when that occurs. Krzyston asked if we had more in CLAS than CD's; Boukai stated at this point yes. We put the tax money in CLAS versus opening CD's, as we draw down it then we will obviously be making less.

Supervisor's County Report:

Boukai presented a map of the subdivision of the camp. She is waiting for information from Joe Gifford, she emailed him on Friday asking to understand the tax implications of the subdivision and the county taking over some of this property (Dent). The resolution was to purchase a minimum of 12 acres for \$107,000 and that is what was approved. Boukai showed on the map the existing Dent property and the twelve acres that the county was purchasing. Councilmember Baldwin said it's a good price, but it goes off the rolls. Boukai said it equates to about \$8,000 an acre. She believed the perspective was it is a once in a lifetime offer to purchase it as who knows when it will come back on the market. Boukai added she doesn't know if having more information would have changed the way she voted, it was just unfortunate the way the information was not shared, until the day of. Councilmember Krzyston said so the county is buying privately owned property to give to the camp. Boukai said yes, the county owns the camp or manages it currently. Krzyston stated he knows someone who is really involved with the camp what the exciting expansion is going to be, and they had no idea. Baldwin added that's what she wrote in her email. From the impression Boukai got, she wasn't sure how aware they were encroaching on private property anyway. It sounds like some of the land they are purchasing was camp land anyway, so now they are creating not only a buffer so that the private property is totally separate. And where they were encroaching is now going to be officially camp land. Krzyston said that's a valid reason, Baldwin agreed. The part on the forest side is being retained by the Dent property for a potential site development for a private home, but they are giving the county the right of first refusal should they decide not to build something.

Councilmember Morgan said he didn't understand what you would utilize the one parcel for ("H" on the map); Councilmember Baldwin said the Lenox trees are up there (there is a sign for John Lenox) but it's kind of steep. Boukai said it's pretty steep as she asked Kent Manual to give her background on it. Manual said this is the most desirable piece of land on that side to build on is why he assumed they were keeping it. Boukai did not want to hypnotize but the county is buying "H" with the potential to buy "G" if nothing is built on it in the future. She added as soon as Joe lets her know as they are very busy with assessments, things will calm down after May it will die down a little bit he can get us numbers as to what the implications are as it kind of a little bit of everything as one piece will not be forest anymore ("G") it will be a different designation. One will be expanded and likely stay the same. Councilmember Baldwin said it is what it is, but it would be nice to be in the loop. Krzyston added even if it makes sense, you can't change the fact that the history of the county disregarding the opinion of the municipality. Councilmember Viafore asked if there was any chance, we could get a PILOT or something; Boukai said no, because it's all tax exempt. Councilmember Baldwin said Marion Dent had good intentions.

Councilmember Krzyston added he didn't blame people for selling; honestly if they want to sell to the county and the county is going to pay a high price, he's not blaming a private citizen; but as an elected official

trying to pay bills and they are like well I'll take that and that! Krzyston then said Boukai informed them it was not totally properly done but did anybody see that at the county level, or they don't really listen. Boukai said she thinks in her opinion if it doesn't impact someone personally at the town level then it's not a big deal. If you take the finance committee and you take the people on the camp committee, which she thinks there are just two supervisors that are on the board of the camp itself, that's nine people that had to know about this, so what about the other ten people. Obviously, the chairperson knew about it, so she doesn't know what other towns didn't know about it or did know about it. Krzyston asked, don't you think it was intentionally kept; Boukai said 100% yes. Krzyston said their tactics work. Boukai then stated she is at a lose to how to improve that, short of sending emails saying "hey if something concerns Delhi, please inform Delhi. It's definitely one of those things if you don't have a seat at the table, you are on the menu. She added she hasn't made any kind of comment about it apart from a couple of specific supervisors she talks to, who 100% agree that she should have known and apologized for the fact she didn't know and then making the assumption that she did, or they could have done better job informing her. It wasn't the burden of those specific towns to inform her in her opinion, she believes it was the chairperson and the finance committee to bring it to our attention. Krzyston added the end result was they got what they wanted, but it makes him feel more adversarial; if you want to invite us to the table next time he would be like "no" although he would go to the table but would jokingly try to get in the way because of the history. Krzyston admitted he shouldn't say that out loud, but it is natural human feelings. Boukai said she doesn't know if it would have changed how she felt about the situation, but at least then everyone would have been able to voice an opinion, present things she may not have thought or other people may not have thought of. Baldwin added she believed we are more public than they (the county) is and more people would have been informed. Krzyston added he felt Boukai hit the nail on the head; the "opinion" is not wanted. Boukai then said yes, or any kind of resistance against what the agenda is. Krzyston said that's not proper behavior.

Abstracts:

Councilmember Viafore made the motion to approve both Abstract #004 – 2025 Accounts "A-SF" Voucher No. 00113 – 00164 = \$60,646.78. Total vouchers submitted \$60,646.78. Councilmember Krzyston seconded. Motion carried.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Councilmember Viafore to enter into an executive session for the employment history of a particular individual at 8:08pm. Councilmember Baldwin seconded the motion, motion carried. A motion was made by Councilmember Viafore to exit executive session with Councilmember Morgan seconding at 8:33pm. Motion carried.

Adjourn:

Upon returning to the regular session a motion was made by Councilmember Viafore to hire Christopher Dwelyng pending execution of signed contract and training completion of Certified Pool Operator at a salary of \$3,750 for the 2025 pool year (May 15,2025 to September 15,2025). Councilmember Krzyston seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Councilmember Viafore made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm, Councilmember Morgan seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsa Schmitz

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Town of Delhi