Town of Morehouse
May 13, 2025
7:00 PM at the Morehouse Recreation Center

Call meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Open to the Public for Comments/Questions

Closed to the Public

Motion to accept the Meeting Minutes as printed from April 8, 2025, Board Meeting.

Motion to accept Officers Reports

Motion Authorizing Payment of the General Fund and Highway Fund Invoices

Public Hearing on Morehouse Fire Protection Contract for the 2025 Budget Year

Open to the Public for Comments or Questions

Closed to the Public

Motion to Approve Resolution 25-5-1, Authorizing an Agreement Between the Morehouse Volunteer Fire Company and the Town of Morehouse for Fire Protection and Emergency Services.

Motion to Approve Resolution 25-5-2, Authorizing the Funding and Purchase of AccuFund Accounting Software

Motion to Approve Resolution 25-5-3, Authorizing the Hiring of Affordable Technical Solutions for Information Technology Support.

Motion to approve Resolution 25-5-4, Authorizing the hiring of Building Environmental Service Technicians for Installation of a Ventilation System in the Morehouse Historical Museum.

Motion to approve Resolution 25-5-5, Authorizing the hiring of Hometown Tree Services to remove a tree in the Spruce Hill Cemetery, Mountain Home Road

Motion to approve Resolution 25-5-6, Authorizing the Purchase of Fish through the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District for the Annual Fishing Derby to be held on June 21, 2025.

Motion to close the Rec Center Pond to Fishing until the Fishing Derby is held.

Motion to introduce Local Law #1 of 2025, a local law known as The Town of Morehouse Unsafe Building Law.

Motion to introduce Local Law #2 of 2025, a local law abolishing the Office of Elected Assessor and establishing the Office of Sole Assessor Appointed.

County Truck Purchase Discussion

2025 Speculator 4th of July Parade Donation request.

2025 Hamilton County Memorial Day Parade scheduled for Monday, May 26, 2025, @ 1:00 PM in Indian Lake. It starts at Bennet Road and will end at the Indian Lake Town Hall.

Zoning and Code Enforcement

Morehouse Fishing Derby, Saturday June 21, 2025.

Community Contacts for Flood Map Updates

Hamilton County Accounting Services (Direct Deposit) Status?

Boiler Repair at the Recreation Center

Furnace Repair at Town Hall

IRS/Social Security Record Discrepancy 2022

IRS Tax Penalty for 2023

Recreation Center Porch Roof

Playground Surface Correction

Streetlight Upgrade

All Employee Mandatory Training

Insurance Safety Inspection Report

Insurance Claim / Town Garage

Update on Cell Tower

Property Line Dispute

Community Pride Day Cleanup

Open to the Public for comments or questions

Closed to the Public

Motion to Adjourn

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-1

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE MOREHOUSE VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY AND THE TOWN OF MOREHOUSE

DATED: MAY 13, 2025

BY: _____ COPY

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the Town Board of the Town of Morehouse intends to enter into a fire protection contract for fire protection and emergency services to be provided by the Morehouse Volunteer Fire Company, and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the law, notice of Public Hearing on such proposed contracts was duly published; and

WHEREAS, said Public Hearing was duly held by the Town Board on May 13, 2025, at 7:00 PM, at the Town Recreation Center, 412 Rec Center Drive, Hoffmeister, New York, and at such time the Town Board duly considered the proposed contract and heard all persons interested therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Morehouse deems it appropriate to enter into a fire protection and emergency services contract with the Morehouse Volunteer Fire Company, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute said agreement and make the appropriate payment to the Morehouse Volunteer Fire Company on behalf of the Town of Morehouse.

Seconded by: _____

DeVuyst: _____

Mosher: _____

Uebele: _____

Taylor: _____

Fernandez: _____

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Anthony Fernandez
Morehouse Town Supervisor

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Stephanie Tichenor
Morehouse Town Clerk

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-2

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND FUNDING OF ACCUFUND ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE

DATED: MAY 13, 2025

BY: _____ COPY

WHEREAS, The Town of Morehouse received a quote from Brisbane Consulting Group for AccuFund Standard Edition accounting software for the amount of $513.00 per month, totaling $4,104.00 for the months of May through December of 2025 and a one-time implementation fee for the Silver Basic Solution implementation of $12,000.00, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Morehouse would like to transition from Enhanced Business Systems to AccuFund - Standard Edition for accounting, bookkeeping and payroll services in 2025, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves the purchase and implementation of AccuFund – Standard Edition and the Silver Basic Solution implementation service, and be it further

RESOLVED, the Town board approves the transfer of $12,500.00 from the General Fund Unappropriated Fund Balance to expenditure account No. 1680.0400, Computer Contractual to fund said purchase.

Seconded by: _____

DeVuyst: _____

Mosher: _____

Uebele: _____

RESOLUTION NO. 25-5-2

Taylor: _____

Fernandez: _____

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Anthony Fernandez	Stephanie Tichenor
Morehouse Town Supervisor	Morehouse Town Clerk

RESOLUTION NO 25-5-3

AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF AFFORTABLE TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS, TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT TO THE TOWN OF MOREHOUSE

DATED: MAY 13, 2025

BY: _____ COPY

WHEREAS, the Town of Morehouse has a need for Information Technology Support and has received a quote from Affordable Technical Solutions for providing said service for the rate of $60.00 per hour on an as needed basis, and

WHEREAS, the Town Supervisor has recommended hiring Affordable Technical Solutions to provide said service for the year of 2025, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, the Town Board approves hiring Affordable Technical Solutions for IT Support Services at the rate of $60.00 per hour on an as needed basis not to exceed $1,800 and charged to account No 1680.0400.

Seconded by: _____

DeVuyst: _____

Mosher: _____

Uebele: _____

Taylor: _____

Fernandez: _____

Anthony Fernandez	Stephanie Tichenor
Morehouse Town Supervisor	Morehouse Town Clerk

RESOLUTION NO 25-5-4

AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF BUILDING ENVIORNMENT SERVICE TECHNICIANS TO INSTALL A MECHANICAL VENTALTION SYSTEM IN THE CRAWLSPACE OF THE MOREHOUSE HISTORICAL MUSEUM

DATED: MAY 13, 2025

BY: _____ COPY

WHEREAS, the Town of Morehouse had hired Building Environment Service Technicians in 2022 to complete mold remediation in the Morehouse Historical Museum, and

WEREAS, at the completion of the mold remediation it had been recommended that the town install ventilation in the building to assist in preventing mold growth in the future, and

WHEREAS, after a follow-up inspection, there is still a need for a ventilation system in the building and Building Environment Service Technicians has provided a price quote of $1,650.00 to install a mechanical ventilation system in the building, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Town Supervisor is authorized to hire Building Environment Service Technicians to install said system in the Morehouse Historical Museum and charge payment for same to account No 7520.4.

Seconded by: _____

DeVuyst: _____

Mosher: _____

Uebele: _____

Taylor: _____

Fernandez: _____

RESOLUTION NO 25-5-4

Anthony Fernandez	Stephanie Tichenor
Morehouse Town Supervisor	Morehouse Town Clerk

RESOLUTION NO 25-5-5

AUTHORIZING THE HIRING OF HOMETOWN TREE SERVICE TO REMOVE A FALLEN TREE IN THE SPRUCE HILL CEMETARY, MOUNTAIN HOME ROAD

DATED: MAY 13, 2025

BY: _____ COPY

WHEREAS, the Town of Morehouse requires assistance in removing a large tree that has fallen in the Spruce Hill Cemetery on Mountain Home Road, and

WHEREAS, Hometown Tree Service, Poland, New York, has provided a price quote of $1,700.00, to take the tree down so that the Highway Department can safely remove the tree and debris at a cost savings to the Town of Morehouse, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Town Supervisor is authorized to hire Hometown Tree Service to remove said tree and charge payment for same to account No 8810.4.

Seconded by: _____

DeVuyst: _____

Mosher: _____

Uebele: _____

Taylor: _____

Fernandez: _____

Anthony Fernandez
Morehouse Town Supervisor

Stephanie Tichenor
Morehouse Town Clerk

RESOLUTION NO 25-5-6

AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF FISH THROUGH THE HAMILTON COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR THE ANNUAL FISHING DERBY

DATED: MAY 13, 2025

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BY: _____

WHEREAS, the Town of Morehouse co-sponsors with the Morehouse Rod and Gun Club an Annual Youth Fishing Derby at the Rec Center Fire Pond; and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Soil and Water Conservation District now provides fish stocking services throughout Hamilton County; therefore, be it resolved

RESOLVED, that the Town Supervisor is authorized to purchase fish for the derby through the Hamilton County SWDC in an amount not to exceed $600.00, and charge payment for the same to account No. 7310.4.

Seconded by: _____

DeVuyst: _____

Mosher: _____

Uebele: _____

Taylor: _____

Fernandez: _____

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Anthony Fernandez
Morehouse Town Supervisor

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Stephanie Tichenor
Morehouse Town Clerk