

**TOWN OF DELHI
BOARD MEETING
February 10, 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

Dog Control Officer: Chris Bodo

Town Attorney: Gina Middleton, Coughlin & Gearhart

Residents: Jim Smart, Marne Champlin, Cinnie Smart, Kathy Hardison, Percy Madamba, Reuben Madamba, Stewart Hardison

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Supervisor Boukai.

Executive Session:

A motion was made by Councilmember Krzyston at 6:01pm to enter into an executive session for discussions with the town attorney regarding potential litigation. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Morgan, motion carried. Supervisor Boukai requested DCO Bodo to remain.

A motion was made by Councilmember Baldwin to exit the executive session at 6:50pm with Councilmember Morgan seconding. Motion carried.

Privilege of the Floor:

N/A

Approval of January 13, 2025, Organizational Meeting & Regular Meeting Minutes, January 16, 2025, Joint Town & Village Meeting Minutes:

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

Old Business:

Supervisor Boukai announced the court, clerk and bookkeeper's audits have been completed by Councilmember's Baldwin and Viafore. A motion was made by Councilmember Baldwin to accept all audits with Councilmember Krzyston seconding. Motion carried.

Councilmember Baldwin stated we are in really good hands. The audits are very thorough and lots of questions are asked, all departments have good checks and balances in place for the line items and all sorts of departmental things. They were very impressive.

New Business:

Supervisor Boukai brought forth the projects/goals for 2025. She stated Councilmember Viafore had put together a list and thanked her for doing so on paper of everything that was accomplished in 2024. She thought we should put it on our website and send it out on NIXLE. In terms of what we mentioned last time

about setting some goals, she has a list written down and she would like to focus on smaller projects that we are doing like the joint village and town hall keeping that momentum going and see what we can do with that, the swimming pool (which we need to bite off in small pieces), the grant seeing what SUNY can do for us and how we can work together with them; that is one definite project.

She then stated backtracking slightly the ARC grant, she still does not have formal confirmation that we got it. She created a login, then the government was having issues with federal grants and that's kind of where it stops. So, we have a project coordinator assigned to us, but she might be in transition. This may delay everything a little bit, but she did have to send an updated timeline, and they asked they we not start our timeline till May, meaning we can't really incur any costs till May anyway. She believes they built in a cushion timing wise because she thought it was supposed to start in March. That grant is still up in the air in terms of formally of us being a recipient of it. Boukai added that it is one of the bigger projects because we will need community involvement, there will be focus groups to inform the comprehensive plan. So that is another project along with the building.

Boukai then said she wanted to hear some of the ideas that the board had, stating she and Councilmember Morgan were talking about finding some code grants to get our codes online. She believes that it could be huge, it's important to have it online to make it user friendly. Councilmember Morgan added if someone has questions, it's easy to navigate and it cuts down phone calls and everything. Councilmember Krzyston asked if Morgan liked how the villages was set up; Morgan stated yes, E-Code 360 and he is a big fan of it. He added you can just go on the website punch in what your question is and pretty much find it. He would like to see us use it. Boukai asked Morgan if he was good at spearheading it and bringing the board information. She added that's what she needs help with, the execution and the information gathering is where she could use help. She added whatever you can bring to the table. Morgan said yes, he will contact General Code and see what the cost of it is.

Councilmember Krzyston said he was wondering if dog permitting could be done online, Morgan said yes, he has been reaching out to a software program its called Cloud Permitting, you can do violations on it, permitting on it, you can do dog licensing on it. Very user friendly, it works from an app on your cell phone. You can communicate with contractors, homeowners, you can pay fees online on it; it's a great program. Councilmember Baldwin asked if you could see if there has been a C/O issued on a property, Morgan said yes. Krzyston said he is wishing for a more user-friendly so that people who are not on Elm Street could still do town business.

Councilmember Baldwin said she doesn't know why we don't think of having a Facebook page, Supervisor Boukai said she believed that was one of the classes at the Association of Towns, she will make sure one of them goes to it and finds out what needs to be done. She believes it's important to have someone trained on what you can and cannot do. Baldwin added there is a little more to it for her as her concern is NIXLE, she doesn't believe it gets to the participants in it, and we pay (this year) \$3,300 and a "re-fresh." She feels it would be worth investigating the way the village is doing it with I-Paws and with their Facebook, the way it works better and coordinating with different community organizations (public safety). She could see the town clerk managing the Facebook page. There is no cost for the village to do what they are doing; it's almost like sharing ideas, which is one of our goals. Baldwin added she did sign the NIXLE voucher with great reluctance because she believes we should investigate other options.

Councilmember Morgan said over a year ago we had a meeting to discuss about NIXLE and try to set goals to get more users on it; he then asked how many do we have. Supervisor Boukai said this is where she may have caused some confusion, we have users that are signed up to get text messages then we have users that are just getting emails. There were 200 users that used the app, 2,200 in total. Boukai said the cost per user was way better than we thought when it was only 100-200 users. Morgan said that's what he thought. Boukai said there are 2,200 people signed up. Councilmember Viafore said there are actually 200 people that actually

signed up to get like emails and then 2,200 have been imported in, so that's just phone lines. Morgan said social media presence could amplify those numbers too. Boukai added at the pool we have a bulletin board that needs (another small project-two posts and attached the bulletin board to it) adding "Town of Delhi Pool" on the backside of it, but we could put the NIXLE information on there because that is how we communicated a lot of the pool closures last year. That is how we did increase a lot of the users as well.

Councilmember Krzyston asked Viafore to do a summary of what NIXLE is for the people in attendance who don't know what it is. Viafore stated NIXLE is a communication tool that we can send messages to whoever signs up. You can do emails, voice calls and texts to receive information. Boukai added it came about right after COVID when there was really no good way to communicate so NIXLE was implemented then, the ARPA funds were used for the first couple of years to fund it. Councilmember Baldwin said she was just trying to think of a couple of different ways to serve the town of Delhi, and know that the town of Delhi residents are getting this information and getting it from the higher sources and what is happening through the I-PAWs program that the village is working with and also with their Facebook page is all phones, all communications to all households, are automatically from tower incorporated. Boukai said so they are GO tagging or something, so it has to do with whatever tower your phone is hitting off of. Baldwin said she didn't know who the numbers are that are with NIXLE, but no offense we want to be able to serve our town's people and know they are getting the information and incorporate more people in. Councilmember Baldwin said she had all the information as the village sent it to her, she would forward it to Boukai. Baldwin added it might be an option that we are not paying out and we can get more information. It's run by a much larger source than us and it's free. Baldwin then said there has to be a facilitator, Pam happens to be it at the village. Viafore asked if it was weather alerts; Baldwin said everything; Viafore asked if they could do custom messages Baldwin said yes, it would have to be by the person certified to be able to incorporate it in. Supervisor Boukai said it is worth doing research on, Boukai said forward your information to me and I will talk to Mayor Gerhart and see how they're using it. She added she knew they had just implemented it within the last four to six months.

Baldwin then said she didn't know if it affects the signing for another year, but we were talking about it last year, but it seems if there is something out there, we should at least be exploring it. Boukai said we just paid the bill, so we have a little time to explore. Councilmember Viafore added there are tons of options out there, Boukai added she felt the appeal of NIXLE was the state uses it, Viafore added so if you were already signed up for NY Alert it is the same platform.

Viafore added with the Climate Smart Communities we will just keep moving forward. She agreed with Councilmember Krzyston about "user friendly" processes using technology.

Boukai said the couple of ideas that she had that really haven't been explored: do we want to do something in this room to make our meetings to have virtual capabilities as opposed to having everything wired. ISD is able to come out and wire things put a projector up and a speaker. It would involve modifying a policy or two to authorize virtual meetings, that was one idea. And then, she had read about another town in the newspaper of having an emergency plan, Councilmember Viafore said we did something like this with the county during COVID. Boukai said she will look it over, as she is thinking it doesn't have to be a huge emergency like if the power goes out, it's freezing, and people need a warming place; is this a place we can open for that. So, just having a plan in place not just for the big emergencies but the smaller ones that really impact people; providing outlets so people can charge their phones or whatever.

Supervisor Boukai then said next step; Josh you are handling the code stuff, Peg, you will forward me the NIXLE type information but let's work on that together. She then added Christinia we are already working on all the environmental stuff and Matt we are doing all the recreation stuff. She thinks we have a good foundation for the next two months at least.

Supervisor Boukai said the next item on the agenda is the joint building and requested that Councilmember Morgan update us on his communications with SUNY. What should be the next step, should we do a meeting with all of us? Councilmember Morgan said last week he spoke with one of the architects that teach up there and Morgan will be doing an application (he will reach out to Boukai) and he will have one of the classes do a design for the pavilion and we will do an application to have the students install it. Hopefully, they can install it in the fall. When it's a municipality or non-for-profit they usually put it ahead of residential and private stuff. Boukai added hopefully because it is a more minor project Morgan said "yup." Councilmember Baldwin said she would not mind if we could have that same forum we had with them, so that they could visit the site, and we could have the discussion of what was envisioned; especially location as she is concerned where it goes. As that is what held up the bulletin board because you have that panel then you have Dubbin's tanks, and she doesn't want it interfering; Boukai said now we have the trees that are going in. Boukai then said she was going to touch on this during "Recreation" but will do so now. We have 17 trees going in and we have ordered bushes from Soil & Water, Daren has said the highway department can actually dig the holes for the trees, which is huge because that will save the town a lot of money. When and if the ground ever thaws, we will have the gentleman Don flag where each of the trees and bushes will go, that way when they are able to, they can dig holes. Councilmember Morgan said it would be beneficial to have a site plan concept of where these are going to be and the projected pavilion and some other future things so that we don't interfere with anything. Boukai agreed and said we don't want to pigeonhole ourselves into a design that would not be optimal because we didn't think of certain things.

Supervisor Boukai requested a motion to accept the Delhi Joint Fire Districts Annual Financial Report for 2024 and asked if there were any questions. Councilmember Morgan said he really wanted to go to the meetings so he could understand it a little more. Councilmember Krzyston said he had gone before as did Baldwin. Baldwin said it looks good on paper but...Boukai said yes unless you start drilling down each line item. Councilmember Krzyston made a motion to accept the report with Councilmember Viafore seconding. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Highway/Machinery: (Councilmember's Baldwin & Morgan) Written report from Superintendent Evans provided to councilmembers. He stated not that much to report on, we have been on the roads a lot as he was sure everyone had noticed. The unfortunate part that comes with that is it takes a toll on the equipment itself. The equipment report was quite lengthy, most everything is back up and running but we still are waiting on parts for a few other things.

Supervisor Boukai asked if there was any FEMA update, Evans said he has two meetings on Wednesday, two gentlemen are coming down from emergency services he will meet with them and at 3:00 he will have another FEMA meeting. The only update to share on that is Soil & Water is unable to do the designs on the upgrades of the culvert pipes that were undersized. If we are going to go through that process, we are going to have to have it by the end of the year so he has been in contact with Delaware Engineering about it as they can do it for us. When it is all set up the costs will go on to FEMA. It will be a lengthy process, but we are making progress.

Resident Jim Smart wanted to complement Evans on all his work on the roads.

A motion was made by Councilmember Morgan to accept Evans' report with Councilmember Viafore seconding. Motion carried.

Personnel: (Councilmember's Viafore & Baldwin): Councilmember Baldwin stated with the audits we were meeting with personnel, we were asking how things were going, there were some suggestions and encouragements. It was good.

Baldwin added, our town supervisor and two council members will be attending training she is looking forward to them coming back very enlightened and that they share their information.

Recreation/Health/Youth: (Councilmember's Krzyston & Supervisor Boukai): Supervisor Boukai stated she wanted to complement everyone. There was a situation at the concession stand and Councilmember Morgan was notified, he notified Boukai and the police, she in turn notified town clerk Elsa Schmitz, and Councilmember Krzyston. Morgan handled the police aspect of it, Krzyston handled getting estimates on the repairs, Schmitz worked with the electric company getting figures to see how much electricity had been used at the concession stand and Boukai found someone that can clean the area, she then thanked Evans as he went down and screwed it shut so that no one can open the door. It was great that within three hours, everyone had a roll, everyone knew what was going on and took the task and ran with it. That's what she wants with an emergency plan, so that if someone calls, we know what's going on, someone can come down here and do whatever needs to be done. This was the perfect example of a "dry run" everyone working together and making everyone's lives easier. Councilmember Morgan said we all work together very well, good communication. Boukai added she is discovering that is not common, maybe she has been very lucky as you guys are a pleasure to work with and that was a perfect example of why. Boukai then added when the snow melts Eighmey Construction will begin working on it, when the snow is a little bit less the guy will come and clean the room; we are just waiting for his insurance to come through. She then said on a more fun topic Amy has agreed to stay on as our head lifeguard and Boukai wanted to recommend Amy Randall as head lifeguard for the 2025 pool season at a rate of \$20.00 per hour. Boukai added she is still waiting on John Kolodziej as he may have some scheduling conflicts. He is interested in staying on in the same capacity that he did last year, which was just swimming lessons. Councilmember Krzyston made the motion that we appoint Amy Randall as head lifeguard at the \$20 rate, Councilmember Morgan seconded the motion, motion carried.

Supervisor Boukai stated the village has their kayaks and part of what the kayak company does is bike rentals. Boukai said she reached out to Economic Development, the grant is due at the end of the month, and she would like to apply for it, but understanding there would be some leg work involved even if we got that grant. What we are looking at is two stations, ten bikes each station can be branded to the town or whoever; the company maintains the bikes and rotates the bikes they provide the app; they provide the advertising that goes on the bikes or baskets or stations. They also provide the insurance and during the dormant season they will pick up the bikes and store them. They already have someone doing maintenance on the kayaks, it would be a person that is already in the community that is already doing the work for the kayaks they would hire them to do this project. The challenge now is that there are two ways to go about it: they are offering a two-year contract or a three-year contract. The two-year contract is \$24,000 a year and the Economic Development grant is \$25,000, so the first year of the contract would be covered that leaves depending on if we go with two or three years that leaves a certain amount we need to make up. What Boukai is looking at is other grant sources as well as a potential town commitment. The goal would be to fund this beyond three years, this would be a test run to see if this idea is even feasible here. She has Economic helping, this is just one company, the appeal of this company is, is for just \$99 a year the end user can use the bike unlimited and the kayaks unlimited. From an end-user perspective \$99 for unlimited use of both things is really cool. Lets just say there is a station here at town hall and one at Hoyt Park they can create geotag stations, so lets say someone wants to take the bike to Price Chopper or down to the pool they can dock the bike virtually there and the bike will not be able to be unlocked, it's a virtual dock as opposed to a physical dock. What Boukai is working with Economic Development on is trying to come up with the \$66,000 that is for the three years. We will apply for the Economic grant for \$25,000, she was thinking the town could potentially contribute \$5,000 year two and \$5,000 year three. That would allow us to put it in our budget for next year, that means we will have funded over half of the project, and we will have \$31,000 that we will need to come up with to offset year two and three. The good thing is that it won't be till year two or three, so we have ten, twelve months to look into a grant for something like that. She is not asking for any kind of commitment or anything at this

point, it is just a concept, but the thing is she needs to apply for the grant by the end of the month. Economic Development is fine with this being theoretical till we narrow down what we want to do.

There are options to have the bike advertised on so people could sponsor the bike or like if the Delhi Community Fund wanted to sponsor a bike. This came out from the ice rink which is completely cost prohibitive (\$150,000 for an iceless ice rink), she knows we could have reduced that but even if we reduced it by half there is still no way. Councilmember Morgan asked what's your thoughts here for recreation or transportation; Boukai said she thinks both. We control the prices that we set for the bikes, so you can make it \$.25 for every five minutes or something and make it a transportation option but we can also make it maybe during peak season; its not a money maker like the bikes aren't going to pay for themselves. They will offset some of it but it is more of a "value added." Whether it is someone coming visiting or someone that lives by the pool but wants to get to Price Chopper and get their groceries they can take a bike.

Councilmember Baldwin said I don't want to be a Debbie-downer, she realizes financially the village can't help us, but she would want to know if she could ride the bike to Marne's house or something; would that be possible to ride outside the village? Boukai said yes, that would be user discretion like where you feel comfortable riding. Councilmember Morgan said he felt it would be really cool for tourism and recreation if we had bike paths and everything. He further stated he would be 100% on board if we had paths. He knows that there have been some ideas about interconnecting Walton, Hamden, Stamford to Bloomville with some paths, he thinks it would be cool, not all the way though. Supervisor Boukai said if this is premature that is fine; Councilmember Baldwin said we should explore it she thinks it's awesome. She would like to see a presentation from a company or two whatever at Boukai's discretion. An audience member asked, "do people have to bring their own helmets, or do you provide rental helmets?" Boukai said at this point helmets are not included in anything so its kind of use at your own risk so that's why we are exploring a turn-key solution because we don't want to be managers; the town does not have that capability. Boukai did state it is a lot cheaper if the town buys their own bikes and uses their app, use a couple of pieces that they are offering us, but then we are managing. Councilmember Morgan said right, then maintenance and everything else. Boukai added the county supposedly hired someone dedicated to recreation in the planning department, she believed that happened within the last few months. To her this would be better as a county initiative but if the only way its going to happen in the next couple of years is for the town to kind of test pilot it she believes between the grant and if we are able to commit \$5,000 a year now we are looking at \$13,000 and its something we cannot overcome, between other grants that are out there. Baldwin added she liked Boukai's vision that she thinks three years because what happens after three years, how do we absorb it all. We need to think pilot and see how it's going to work and why not apply it for a grant; folks she writes a really good grant. Councilmember Viafore asked if we could get a second year of the Economic Development grant; Boukai said unfortunately no, they normally don't even give grants for multiyear projects, but because the way the contract is written because year one is either \$24,000 or \$22,000, we could get the grant. If we do the two-year only they are only going to fund half, so \$48,000 half is \$24,000, so we would apply for \$24,000 instead of \$25,000 but if we do the three-year contact we can apply for the \$25,000 knowing we have \$3,000 left over from year one to apply to year two and we have bought ourselves, the way she worked the numbers was she thinks year two we need to come up with \$7,000 and year three \$13,000, so it wasn't insurmountable at all. SUNY would be a great partner for something like this; she has not approached them yet; she wanted to get everyone's pulse on it before she keeps going down the pathway. Councilmember Morgan said it will take a little to convince me. Boukai said that's fine, she will keep working on it. So that's one idea for recreation.

"Someone" asked if the town could do kayaks instead of bikes, Boukai said the way the village has it set up is by the hour so you can definitely just pay the village by the hour whatever rate as they set their own thing. But the opportunity is there if you wanted to have the access to both. Councilmember Krzyston said the kayaks are there. The audience member said they just realized that they were there and asked if the town

had data on how much use they get. Boukai stated the village would know, Boukai believed they were put in use in August, Morgan said yes, it was towards the end of the season. Boukai agreed and said she didn't think it got much use.

Supervisor Boukai stated the bookkeeper just printed out the donations we had gotten in 2024, and Boukai hand wrote what we have gotten in 2025. She then passed around an estimate. She noted last year Helfgott Foundation gave the town \$1,000 and we have not used any of that and the Delhi Community Fund gave us money as well and gave us money this year also. She proceeded to show the council a quote from a company called Resort Contract Furnishings; she asked them to quote us on two lifeguard umbrellas because ours are beyond the use of their life, twelve lounge chairs that are exactly like the four we got off Craigslist last year, four normal sitting chairs and six small tables. This quote is for all of that including shipping which kills her but it's coming from Pennsylvania so it can't be much cheaper, the total cost is \$2,300. Between what Helfgott gave us this year and last year and the Community Fund there is \$7,000 available, which would cover the \$2,300 of it. She believes it would make a good impact on the pool. Councilmember Krzyston said the Community Fund likes the idea of supporting it too, so they want to support that. She then asked for a motion to order the items. Councilmember Morgan made the motion to order the items per the estimate with Councilmember Viafore seconding. Motion carried. Boukai will have them deliver it to the pool. When the concession stand is secure, she will have them stored there. She is also thinking of having another camera installed at the concession stand.

Councilmember Baldwin asked Town Justice Burkert if he had anything he wanted to share with the council. Burkert said we had our audit as you are aware and that was fine, diversion is kicking off and we don't see many hiccups on our end. We had our Magistrates meeting and the DA is going to provide the courts a list of those that have completed diversion, a list of total numbers of individuals that will be turned over in his report (he spoke with the Supervisor on that), it will be a list with a number of the total of people of the town that have completed that. Councilmember Morgan asked if Burkert liked it so far; Burkert said yes, we haven't had any hiccups, you have the report and there were two for January. Supervisor Boukai added we already got paid for December, the check came in and the check was for \$600 so we are assuming that it is \$300 a person. That's kind of the benchmark we are going off, but we will be getting a report that tells us how it's broken down if its not \$300 a person. So, January is two as well, Burkert said yes.

Councilmember Baldwin said people are watching the Town of Delhi on the Delhi Telephone Company channel and the only people that they understand are Matt and you (Boukai). The other three are garbled.

Supervisor Boukai requested a motion to advertise for WSI and lifeguards and mowing bids for the 2025 season. Councilmember Baldwin made the motion to advertise with Councilmember Morgan seconding. The clerk will advertise two weeks for both. Motion carried.

Supervisor Boukai then gave a quick update on lifeguards. The Youth Bureau normally pays for lifeguards to get their certification, their grant covers two, possibly more but definitely two adults to get their certification either certified or re-certified including their WSI. That's around \$800 of value if they are getting certified for the first time; Amy Randall is taking advantage of that and is getting her WSI, and she will renew her lifeguard. She will be able to teach lessons, it will be great. Baldwin said we will have a commitment out of Amy, but we won't be investing anything in it. Boukai said the nice thing about this is because she is doing it at SUNY, they are handling all the reimbursement, nothing is even coming through us. John will be submitting for her and the other youths as well, we will not be the middleman. The bad news is that Dusty will not be coming back this year, he got promoted at SUNY and that will take all his time. Boukai asked Amy and John if they wanted to be Certified Pool Operators. Their answer was a solid no, so Boukai has reached out to some of the local pools and water departments. With the lifeguard's advertisement we will advertise for a CPO as well, there is a training in April for anyone that needs to become a CPO, but she will also reach out to the Health Department to see if they actually have to be a CPO. Councilmember Morgan said it is kind of

dangerous, Boukai added she is concerned as we had the chlorine leak last year and we need someone that knows how to troubleshoot that. Dusty did tell Boukai he is more than willing to stop by and help but he can't be the go-to. Councilmember Baldwin said they would have to understand the level of commitment because it is daily, she then added there is someone out of Walton that has all those skills. Boukai said she already reached out to him, and he is also a no. Boukai added the good thing is John, Amy and all the lifeguards all know how to test it, so they can be maintaining and call if there is an issue, but someone needs to go daily and check it in the morning and by the end of the day they will know what they need to do, either coming in the morning or the night to do it. Boukai then said we have time, but it is something we need to think about.

Boukai said there is a SUNY meeting on Thursday she is going to, it was the same meeting last year that she found out the SUNY pool was not going to be open for the summer. She is hoping we find out this Thursday as well as that will make a big difference on how we organize the season, but along with that the recreation department at SUNY (the students in that program) John suggested and gave her the three professors names that she should reach out to them to see if there are any students staying for the summer that are living on campus that might want that job as it may fall into line as to what they want to do in the future as well.

Councilmember Krzyston said the contractors are chomping at the bit for the concession building. We already know what they are going to do as we agreed to their quote. They were just wanting the weather to cooperate. Boukai asked if it had to be completely snow free, Krzyston said they are willing to work in difficult conditions. Boukai said they aren't going to take three months to do this right; whatever works for them great, if they want to wait that is fine too. Krzyston said he was just mentioning it as an encouraging thing as he frequently finds contractors aren't rushing to a job. Boukai added she is very excited to see what it will look like.

Economic Development/Shared Services: (Councilmember Morgan & Viafore): N/A

Buildings/Codes: (Councilmember Morgan & Krzyston): Supervisor Boukai said as we are a pro-housing community, they have now created new parameters for re-certification. It's basically what have you changed with your zoning if anything to be more pro-housing. She will let them know we are updating our zoning, that should suffice and how many new home constructions occurred in 2024 as we only reported through 2023 last year. She can see this being an ongoing thing and it is a key component for being eligible for a lot of state grants, because they want pro-housing communities. Councilmember Krzyston asked if we should be changing the monthly report in some way to satisfy them, Boukai said she felt it would be great if we added new home construction. Councilmember Morgan stated that would fall under Certificate of Occupancy, but maybe just clarifying what it is. Morgan further stated with the state we have to do a report with that every year and also the census bureau, so it covers all that too. Boukai said she saw the request for the annual report come through.

IT: (Councilmember Viafore & Krzyston): N/A

CODES Monthly Report:

A motion was made by Councilmember Krzyston to accept the Code's report for January 2024. Councilmember Morgan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Justice Court Report:

Councilmember Morgan made the motion to accept the Justice Court Report for January 2024. Councilmember Krzyston seconded the motion, motion carried.

Clerk's Monthly Report & Tax Report:

Supervisor Boukai stated the town was made whole; we are at 69% collected for the month of January.

A motion was made by Councilmember Morgan to accept the January 2024 Clerk's report, seconded by Councilmember Baldwin. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Financial Report:

Supervisor Boukai passed around paperwork. All of the reserves are in CDs at Delaware National Bank. The dollar amounts on her sheet were for six-month CD's and at the six-month mark that is what we will have earned for interest. She further stated all the tax money that came in is in CLASS right now, so we are earning maximum interest and she and the bookkeeper transfer as needed. Councilmember Baldwin asked if Boukai noticed if the shorter term is being eliminated to some degree and they are going out to six and one year now instead of the ninety days. Boukai said no, she didn't; Baldwin said she found that out not at Delaware National but another bank. Councilmember Krzyston said Delaware National still has them for 30 days. Boukai said yes, we have had some for 30 days, but it is very laborious in terms of paperwork, so we did longer. All of Megs reports are in Boukai's folder. If you look in the A-Fund report, you will see all of our investments in one report. Each fund that has a corresponding reserve account or investment account is now in that one report. This is great because we went from 35 different documents down to like 20 different documents, but it is still in one visual thing. Councilmember Baldwin added she liked how Meg had simplified things for us during our audit. Boukai hopes it simplified it for her as well as it is less accounts to reconcile at the end of the month. Councilmember Viafore said the way she does it makes it easy to find things.

Supervisor's County Report:

Boukai stated the finance committee is meeting on Wednesday, there is no county meeting till the end of the month. Boukai said some of the mayors are going to the finance meeting, she should have an update in the afternoon. She will be having lunch with Glen, and he will be there although he is not on the committee. Boukai added if you do read the paper, it doesn't sound like if they are going to share, it's how much. Everything has been talked about like what do we allocate to this, so she is hoping they get more clarity on that. Councilmember Krzyston said so, you believe they will share; Boukai said yes because there hasn't been any talk of, we can't do this because of whatever financial reasons; there has really been no discussions on that. It should have been the first conversation "can we do this" instead of figuring how we divide it, that's her opinion on it. The talks have been all about how you split the pie as opposed to is there even a pie to split.

Councilmember Krzyston asked if there was any chatter of a county executive, no Boukai replied she believes that conversation is going to have to be forced and she doesn't know what that looks like, it would have to go through the legislative committee, and she doesn't believe there would be any reception to that. But from what she understands there is a citizen-initiated method to at least force the conversation if the conversation is unwilling to be had at a request.

Abstracts:

Councilmember Baldwin asked if we were going to pay the NIXLE, which will be for a year and go another year before exploring other options. Supervisor Boukai said yes, that will give us time and we budgeted for it. Boukai said she will break down the cost per user. Councilmember Viafore made the motion to approve both Abstract #002 – 2025 Accounts "A-SF" Voucher No. 002 – 0032 = \$447,559.62 Councilmember Krzyston seconded. Motion carried.

Adjourn:

Councilmember Viafore made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42pm, Councilmember Krzyston seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, *Elsa Schmitz*, Elsa Schmitz, Town Clerk Town of Delhi