

MINUTES
JOINT MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF THOMPSON
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2005

MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Barnicle called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Roll Call

Upon call of the roll, the following were present:

James Barnicle, Mayor
Victor Marinello, Trustee
Gordon Jenkins, Trustee
Victor, Marinello, Jr. Trustee
Scott Schoonmaker, Trustee
Brian VanDermark, Trustee

Also present: Richard Sush, Village Manager
E. Danielle Jose, Village Attorney
Brenda Galligan, Treasurer

MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Cellini called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Roll Call

Upon call of the roll, the following were present:

Anthony Cellini, Supervisor
Councilman Peter T. Briggs, Councilman
William Rieber, Councilman
Stewart Satenstein, Councilman
John Washington, Councilman

Also present: Michael B. Mednick Town Clerk
Donald Price, Town Clerk

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Discussion - Trustee Gordon asked that the matter be tabled as he believes the people who ride the taxis cannot afford another increase as the Board already approved a fare increase in July.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF TAXI FARES

WHEREAS, the Cab Companies within the Village of Monticello ("Village") have requested an increase of taxi fares by \$.50 per zone due to increases in gasoline prices which are perceived to be temporary; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees have discussed this matter and asked for public opinion of users of these cabs; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees recognizes that the increase in gasoline prices may be temporary; and

WHEREAS, the Cab Companies within the Village agree to eliminate the increase in the event gasoline prices in the Village of Monticello fall below \$2.65 per gallon.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Monticello do hereby authorize all the cab companies within the Village of Monticello to increase their taxi fares by \$.50 for each zone as follows:

Zone	Fare Amount
"A"	\$5.50
"B"	\$5.75
"C"	\$6.00
"D"	\$6.25; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees will expressly rescind this authorization by resolution, in the event gasoline prices within the Village of Monticello fall below \$2.65 per gallon.

A motion was made by Trustee Marinello, seconded by Trustee VanDermark, approved on a roll call vote as follows: Trustee Schoonmaker, aye; Trustee Jenkins, nay; Trustee Marinello, aye; Trustee VanDermark, aye; to adopt the above resolution. Motion carried 4 ayes - 1 nay.

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**RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT THE DETERMINATION OF THE STATE
COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE ALLOWING THE VILLAGE OF MONTICELLO TO
RECOVER STATE AID**

WHEREAS, the amount which the Village of Monticello is empowered to raise by tax on real estate is limited by the provisions of Section 10 of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, the records filed with the State Comptroller's Office for the Village's 2004-2005 fiscal year were prepared by the State Comptroller's Office during an audit of the Village's financial records and included a computational error, and

WHEREAS, based on such computation, the constitutional tax limit for the Village's 2004-2005 fiscal year is \$3,274,461, and

WHEREAS, the Village, by and through its duly elected and appointed officers, has levied or caused to be levied taxes upon real estate for village purposes for the Village's 2004-2005 fiscal year in the amount of \$4,129,873, of which \$3,337,915 is subject to the Village's constitutional tax limit, and

WHEREAS, that the amount of taxes levied or caused to be levied upon real estate in the Village of Monticello, New York, for the Village's fiscal year commencing June 1, 2004, is in excess of the amount which the Village is empowered to raise by tax upon real estate pursuant to Section 10 of Article VIII of the Constitution of the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, that the amount of such excess is \$63,454 as shown on the attached computation sheet, which sheet shall be deemed a part of this Resolution.

WHEREAS, such excess will cause the Village to suffer the loss of a portion of State aid for that year pursuant to Section 54-a of the State Finance Law, and

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WHEREAS, the Village has reached an Agreement with the State Comptroller's Office that will allow for the Village to recover the State Aid if the Village's tax levy for the succeeding fiscal year, 2005-2006, is \$40,954 less than the amount of the Village's constitutional tax limit for that year' and

WHEREAS, the Village did submit an approved budget that meets the designated criteria,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Monticello does hereby accept the determination of the State Comptroller's Office.

A motion was made by Trustee Marinello, seconded by Trustee VanDermark, unanimously approved on a roll call vote to adopt the above resolution.

PRESENTATION BY TAYLOR RECYCLING

James W. Taylor, Jr. President of Taylor Biomass Energy LLC explained that his company has developed a method of recycling of construction and demolition materials and household recyclables. He explained that the company turns waste materials from construction and demolition sites- everything from wood and metal to drywall and stone - into new, useable products like mulch, aggregate and soil substitute used as daily cover at landfills. They would plan to develop a biomass-to-fuel operation, so that the County's garbage could be converted into electricity, which could potentially be sold to the national utility company. These are modular units, so that they can build them and add onto them as the volume increases, as the need increases.

A slide show was given demonstrating the inside workings of the plant from the recycling and biomass processing area to the Gasifier and the converter area.

Mr. Taylor summed up the presentation by explaining that this is a safer, more efficient method of recycling that

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does not leave an area with a landfill area that is giving off toxic fumes, infiltrating ground water and wells. He explained that to get all the necessary permits would take and build the plant would take about two years, but a temporary transfer station could be running within 12 months during the SEQRA permit process.

Mayor Barnicle felt this is a great alternative which could be used instead of expanding the landfill.

Councilman Rieber indicated that he felt it is a workable project and both boards should resolve to support.

JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTICELLO AND THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF THOMPSON DECLARING RECYCLING PROGRAMS BY TAYLOR RECYCLING AS A VIABLE ALTERNATIVE TO EXPANSION OF THE SULLIVAN COUNTY LANDFILL

WHEREAS, the Town of Thompson ("Town") and the Village of Monticello ("Village") are currently considering implementing a recycling program to satisfy the waste disposal need of the residents of the Town of Thompson and the Village of Monticello; and

WHEREAS, Taylor Recycling has provided information and a demonstration of its recycling programs to the governing bodies and residents of both municipalities at a public meeting on Monday, September 12, 2005, at 7:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Monticello finds that it is in the best interest of the Village to consider the recycling programs of Taylor Recycling; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Thompson finds that it is in the best interest of the Village to consider the recycling programs of Taylor Recycling; and

WHEREAS, it appears that the recycling processes intended by Taylor recycling would result in a 99% decrease in the amount of solid waste which must ultimately be disposed of without health, odor control, and aesthetic issues related to landfilling; and

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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Monticello and the Town Board of the Town of Thompson do hereby jointly declare recycling programs by Taylor Recycling to be a viable alternative to expansion of the Sullivan County Landfill.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTICELLO, NY AND BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF THOMPSON, NY.

A motion was made by Mayor Barnicle, seconded by Trustee VanDermark, unanimously approved on a roll call vote to adopt the resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Village Of Monticello and the Town Board of the Town of Thompson declaring recycling programs by Taylor Recycling as a viable alternative to expansion of the Sullivan County Landfill.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:25 p.m., a motion was made by Supervisor Cellini, seconded by Mayor Barnicle to adjourn the joint meeting of the Town of Thompson and the Village Board of the Village of Monticello.

EDITH SCHOP, Village Clerk