

Agenda

Emergency Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Village of Monticello

July 11th, 2013

5:00pm

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:15pm by Mayor Jenkins.

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Mayor Jenkins-Present Carmen Rue-Present T.C. Hutchins-Absent
Larissa Bennett-Present James Matthews-Present

Motion to Accept the Agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Matthews with a second by Trustee Bennett to accept the agenda. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Mayor's Appointment

Mayor Jenkins stated that we interviewed Village, Sullivan County & Orange County residents and after we had a lot of resumes and interviews, but myself, the Deputy Treasurer and Treasurer thought and felt that Mrs. Li from Orange County, was the most qualified and competent person for the job. We did not want to cut our selves short by hiring someone just because they were a Village or Sullivan County resident and it wouldn't be fair for us or the taxpayers. We were looking for a very highly qualified person. We need a Treasurer here immediately. We need someone here to start, Ms. Berg is ready to leave and she's ready to go, so we need someone here to take her place. So with this new Treasurer position until we get someone, we are going to call the new Treasurer the Account Manager. We are still going to continue to search for a candidate and we are going to continue to look at the legalities of can they be a resident of the Village or not, but the Account Manager is what the Attorney said and we all agreed upon that and that's the choice that we are going with. She will start immediately at \$55,000.00 a year with benefits.

Trustee Rue asked was this a motion because it is not an appointment.

Mayor Jenkins stated that he is asking the Board, because it has to be Board approval and I'm asking the Board for their approval to hire an Account Manager.

Per Trustee Rue, so you are asking for a motion and a second right now?

Mayor Jenkins stated that he needs a motion for the Account Manager, we need someone in the position, there are some residency issues, but an Account Manager can fill the position. We need a Treasurer because my Treasurer is ready to go, she should have been gone and it's vital that we get one.

Trustee Rue stated that so whoever votes, you need the approval for an Account Manager? Why don't you make a second and a motion and that way you can discuss it?

Trustee Matthews asked what about Heather, how long she will be here to train her; we have to put some type of stipulations down.

Mayor Jenkins stated that I would think at least a month because she's been training her already. I think it's only fair and I had asked Heather to train her before she just bails out. I would say another two Saturdays.

Trustee Rue asked at what salary, how much are you going to pay her?

Trustee Matthews stated that all of that should be in the motion, whether it be another two or three Saturdays, whatever.

Mayor Jenkins stated that's fine, another tow Saturdays, Heather is ready to leave now. If you want, you can tell Heather bye and she can leave right now and Lilu can pick it right up. She will pick it up either way, but most of the time, you do train somebody.

Trustee Rue stated that she will only discuss this if there has been a second and a motion.

A motion was made by Mayor Jenkins with a second by Trustee Matthews.

Trustee Rue commented so you are saying that she is going to be paid \$55,000.00 and Heather is going to keep coming on Saturdays with the salary that you set up before at \$25,000.00 or whatever she was making, is that what you are saying?

Mayor Jenkins responded, yes.

Trustee Rue commented that I have a problem, you and Heather prepared the budget that there is supposed to be a Public Hearing for next Tuesday, so who is going to answer the questions for that budget? If Lilu is in training, she cannot answer the questions.

Mayor Jenkins responded that Heather would be on Board to answer the questions; that's why we need her on Board. We can't just take her and fire her or say leave, I wanted her to stay with this budget, everything is on Heather now and I wanted her to stay to follow it up until the end. She will train her, but she wants to leave as soon as possible. Believe me; she does not want to be here no more than she is wanted here.

Trustee Bennett asked can we keep Heather until the end of this month, that's three (3) more Saturdays in this month so that at the end of the month she can be done.

Trustee Rue stated so you are saying that she will be here until the last Saturday of July at the same salary that she is making while she is training Mrs. Li. So, the 16th is a Public Hearing and we need the Treasurer there.

Mayor Jenkins stated that she will be working Mondays and she has to be part of the Budget that will all be in place.

Trustee Rue commented that for the record, we gave you the corrections for the Department Heads and we need everyone's corrections before the Public Hearing. In my opinion, I know that you want to hire her, she's a sweet lady and it's nothing person, but Sullivan County has 77,000 residents and my point is that you said, and the Mayor even said in the new yesterday in the new you are talking about apartments and employments and I have a problem that in 77,000 residents including children and everything that in 77,000 residents you could not find a person in Sullivan County. The person is a sweet lady and although she does not have experience in government accounting and administration, but I have a problem. The State law says that the Treasurer has to be a person in the Village, appointed with Board approval and then now we hire a consultant. An Accounting Manager is a consultant. That's my opinion and I'm entitled to my opinion, and I'm a Board member and that's all I'm going to say.

Trustee Matthews stated that he just wants to make sure that Heather is included in the vote.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Trustee Rue-nay

Trustee Bennett-yea

Trustee Matthews-yea

Trustee Hutchins-absent

Mayor Jenkins-yea

Resolution changing the time of the Joint meeting at the Town of Thompson from 6pm to 6:45pm for the annexation of Rose Valley Road Property and starting the Village Board meeting at 7:30pm on Tuesday, August 6th, 2013

A motion was made by Trustee Matthews with a second by Trustee Bennett. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Resolution setting a Special Meeting for the Village of Monticello Property and Liability Insurance presentation by Owen McKane to Wednesday, July 24th, 2013 at 5pm

A motion was made by Trustee Matthews with a second by Trustee Bennett. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Bennett to close the meeting at 5:26pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Submitted by:



Janine Gandy, Village Clerk