

Minutes

Village of Monticello

Tuesday, August 18th, 2015

5:30pm

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Deputy Mayor Bennett.

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Mayor Solomon-Absent

Trustee Bennett-Present

Trustee Rue-Present

Trustee Weyer-Present

Trustee Gomez-Present

Also Present:

David Sager, Village Manager-Present

Richard S. Baum, Deputy Special Council

Motion to Accept the Agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Weyer to accept the agenda with the following add-ons:

1. Removal of Agenda items #13 & #16
2. Continuation of Public Hearing for SBL# 109.-1-13(10 Jefferson Street) Correction of Structure, owner, Bronia Taublib
3. Resolution authorizing payment of accrued vacation & personal time of former Village employee, Darren Mitchell, in the amount of \$2,986.85
4. Resolution awarding the Bids for Milling, In-Place Paving & Curb Installation to the Lowest Bidders
5. Resolution authorizing payment to R & R Pump & Control Services for a Low Lift #1-Aurora Pump for the Water Department in the amount of \$12,345.00 from app#F.8320.459
6. Resolution authorizing payment to R & R Pump & Control Services for Emergency Repairs to the Split Case Back Wash Pump for the Water Department in the amount of \$6,654.00 from app#F.8320.459

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7. Resolution authorizing payment not to exceed \$7,000.00 for the Emergency Repair & Purchase of Equipment for the West Broadway Stand Tank for the Water Department from app#F.8340.421
8. Resolution authorizing the waving of penalty fees in the amount of \$282.30 for Richard F. Conklin for water bills dated March 6th & June 5th, 2015 due to a wrong address

Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Approval of Minutes from the August 6th, 2015 meeting

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Weyer to approve the minutes. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Mayor's Report

No Report

Manager's Report

On Thursday, August 13th 2015, the Village of Monticello closed on 25 Burton Avenue. All outstanding debts were paid by Wells Fargo in advance and a check for the property improvements and closing costs was to be wired into the Village Attorney's escrow account. I will begin to plan for more serious discussions with various non-profit development agencies to rehab the property and market it to first-time homebuyers.

Last week I met with George Popp of the USDA and our bond counsel, Bob Smith, to discuss potential borrowing strategies for the recently approved USDA Water Infrastructure Project. Village Treasurer, Lilu Li, and I will be reaching out to regional banking institutions to identify the most favorable short term rates.

At last Thursday morning's department head meeting, I was made aware of two leaks in the large water stand tank on West Broadway. I immediately went to the site to inspect with Highway Superintendent Jim Steinberg and was in touch with Water & Sewer Superintendent Phil Klemen, who was on vacation at the time. Due to several deficiencies in the original design of the stand tank, as well as, the locations of the current leaks, Phil has come up with a plan that should provide the least amount of disruption to village water users as possible. It will include first having certified divers enter the tank to apply epoxy to stop the existing leaks. This will result in far less service disruption and turbidity to current users. Then, a welder will be brought in to patch the existing holes from the outside of the tank, as well as, repair several small rust spots to prevent future holes from developing.

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This past Sunday was of course the Bagel Festival on Broadway. Despite the temperatures being a little hot and there being several other events going on throughout the region, the event seemed to be another success both in terms of vendors and crowds. I certainly thank event coordinator Jeff Siegel and look forward to working with him in the future. As a reminder, A Dos of Kindness will be hosting a community block party on Broadway on August 30th. The event is free to the public and will have a number of events and activities for the children of our community. All are encouraged to attend.

The last day of operation for the pool at Dillon Park will be Friday, August 28th. In conjunction with the Boys & Girls Club and our own Recreation Department, there will be a DJ providing musical entertainment, and bouncy houses and other activities for the kids, as well as, a pizza party paid in part with the money raised from the car wash recently held at the Stroebele Community Center. We had a successful summer with many compliments on how much cleaner the facilities were this year. I look forward to working with the Board and Shannon Daniel to expand operations for next summer.

Department Head Report

Continuation of Public Hearing for SBL# 109.-1-13(103 Jefferson Street) Correction of Structure, owner, Bronia Taublib

A motion was made by Trustee Weyer with a second by Trustee Bennett to open the Public Hearing at 5:52pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

The Village Manager, David Sager, explained that his structure has been declared unsafe by several engineers. It has completely imploded upon itself and is a huge eye-sore at one of the Village gateways. Being that we are now working on that particular area improving it and businesses are interested, it's in the Village's best interest to correct this structure. Our current Code Enforcement Officer, TJ, has been in contact with the owner and her son several times, along with the former Code Enforcement Officer, Mr. Snowden and promises are continually made without fulfillment. I don't think the Village has any other recourse, but to take the steps that we are doing right now. Any expenses incurred on the behalf of the Village will be paid by the owner or levied to their taxes, which is proper Village procedure. I feel that if we wait on this, the owner's son will dump this property on the developer that he is in talks with regarding purchasing this property.

Trustee Rue commented that she understands that the property needs to be remedied, but we have to be sure that the property owner is aware and knows that they will bear the cost

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of the removal if the Village does it. We did this with another property and the owner wanted to fight us in Court, we have to make sure that we cover all of the bases. I know that we are having the Public Hearing, but I don't think that we should take any further steps until Michael is here and he can advise us, so that we do not have any issues like before.

TJ Brawley, the Village Code Enforcement Officer, also spoke and stated that he has been in contact with this guy since he came last year and he continued the follow-up from Mr. Snowden and to date, nothing has been done. The son is dragging his feet and keeps blowing us off. The Village Engineer, Glenn Smith, was in the building and the entire back of the building has fell into itself. This building is a huge safety hazard.

Deputy Attorney, Richard S. Baum, stated that all of the proper paperwork has been presented to the Board to move forward on this if they so choose to do so. It's up to you all if you want to delay a movement tonight, but the paperwork is in place and is before you all.

The Public Hearing was opened to the floor three (3) times and the following people spoke:
Gordon Jenkins

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Gomez to leave the Public Hearing open until the meeting on September 1st, 2015 at 5:30pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Approval of Bills in the amount of \$820,528.05

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Weyer to approve the bills. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Resolution moving forward with the recommendations of the Zoning Committee and setting a Public Hearing for the Re-Zoning of the Village as proposed

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Weyer to set the Public Hearing date for Tuesday, September 1st, 2015 at 5:30pm.

Trustee Rue commented that the Board first needs to have another work session with the Zoning Committee to discuss their proposed changes, because the Board only met with the Zoning Committee one time and they were supposed to come back to the Board because

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there was a proposal or anything brought forth. I don't think we should have even set up a Public Hearing yet because we don't know what these changes are.

Richard S. Baum stated that the Board was previously presented with the changes to the B2- Zone and should have reviewed them and this is essentially what the Public Hearing would be about. The Zoning Committee is still working on the other zones and are looking to have a finalized plan soon to present to the Board and public for review.

Trustee Rue stated that we, the Board, do not even know what is being proposed for the B2 Zone and that there are other things that the Board has done in the past that need to be looked at in consideration for this zone change. Also, I do not believe Aleta was on the Board at that time and she needs to be informed about what is being done. So, I think we need a work session first, so that we as the Board know what is going on because the Public is going to question the Board and we have to know what to tell them.

Richard S. Baum stated that a packet should have been forwarded to the Board last week.

The Clerk stated that she distributed whatever was given to her.

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Gomez to set s Work Session with the Zoning Committee on Tuesday, August 25, 2015 at 6:00pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Resolution authorizing the emergency purchase of parts & the repair of the Rte. 42 Pump Station by R & R Pump & Control Services, LLC in the amount of \$4,966.00 from app#G.8130.233. Current account balance is \$16,316.00

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

Resolution authorizing payment to Glenn Smith, the Village Engineer for work completed in the Re-Zoning Committee in the amount of \$2,445.04 from app#1440.414. Current balance is \$8,742.75

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

Resolution authorizing payment to Barton & Loguidice, DPD for Professional Services completed thru June 27th, 2015 in the amount of \$1,438.41 from escrow account #T.0032.575

Removed

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Resolution authorizing the adjustments to the USDA Water Project form E as noted

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

Resolution authorizing Form E for the USDA in the amount of \$940,694.88

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

Resolution authorizing the posting of a Water Treatment Plant Operator Trainee position for the Water Department, salary commensurate with the CBA

Removed

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Executive Session

A motion was made by Trustee Bennett with a second by Trustee Weyer to go into Executive Session at 6:31pm to discuss the following:

Personnel

Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

A motion was made by Trustee Bennett with a second by Trustee Weyer to come out of Executive Session at 6:51pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Recreational Attendant

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Bennett to increase the Recreational Attendants salary from \$34,000.00/year to \$34,900.00 /year effective immediately. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Weyer to close the meeting at 6:59pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Submitted by:



Janine Gandy, Village Clerk