

Minutes
Board of Trustees
Village of Monticello
January 4th, 2011
7:00pm

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01pm by Mayor Jenkins

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Mayor Jenkins-Present Carmen Rue-Present T.C. Hutchins-Present
Victor Marinello-Present James Matthews-Present

Also Present: John Barbarite-Village Manager
 John LiGreci-Deputy Village Manager
 Dominic Cordisco-Village Attorney

Motion to Accept the Agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Hutchins and second by Trustee Marinello to accept the agenda. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Approval of Minutes from the December 21st, 2010 Meeting

A motion was made by Trustee Hutchins and second by Trustee Rue to approve the minutes from the previous minutes. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Approval of Bills to be Paid

A motion was made by Trustee Marinello and second by Trustee Hutchins with the inclusions of two bills in the amounts of \$7,600.00 & \$400.00, totaling the bills to \$687,408.97. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Jenkins gave the floor to Trustee Hutchins:

Trustee Hutchins asked that the Village Board direct the Village Manager to start a dialogue with the Town of Thompson regarding the assistance in the cost of the Ted Strobele (Neighborhood Facility) due to the fact that it is not only being used by Village

residents, but also residents from the Town of Thompson. It was decided that a resolution would be written and voted upon in the next Village Board Meeting.

Trustee Hutchins also thanked Mr. Ray Lustig for his cooperation with the Police Department in the apprehension of those that were vandalizing Village businesses.

Manager's Report

Mr. Barbarite gave the floor to Mr. Perry Meltzer to discuss a water and sewage bill for a client that he is representing:

Mr. Meltzer stated that his client, Inglesia Di Dios would like a credit of \$800.00+ for their current water and sewer bill. They were a tax-exempt property and due to the outstanding bill, it became a lien against the property and resulted in being put on the tax roll. After speaking with Nora Hughson, they have been taken off the tax roll and that has been corrected.

In regards to the water and sewer bill, the client entered into an agreement with the Village and made a payment of \$800.00+ on an installment that included the 2008 & 2009 tax that has now been removed from the assessment roll. We would like to take the \$800.00+ that was paid on the account when the agreement was started. credit it against the outstanding water bill which goes back to 2006, plus any interest accrued on the outstanding bill since the Village received the \$800.00+ on account. Once the agreement is entered into, the client ask that interest and penalties not continue to accrue on the balance of the account until the payment is made which will be at \$200.00/month. The current due now is with the \$800.00+ is a \$2,400.00 balance and at \$200.00/month, it would be paid off in a year. The client is not contesting the bill, but he would like to save the interest from now until the bill is paid off, which would be in a year, the Village charges interest at 12%/month, they would like to start the amount from now after crediting the one payment that was made and then pay it off over the year.

Per the Mayor this matter would have to be discussed with the Village Attorney after the meeting to protect all parties involved.

Deputy Village Manager's Report

Sullivan County 911

Sullivan County 911 will be conducting an upgrade to the emergency communications system in the County. Currently there are numerous dead spots around the County. There will be 7 new tower was erected. One of the towers will be in the Village of Monticello, by the water tower on West Broadway. Our Police Department currently has its space radio repeater antenna and equipment mounted on the water tower. The County has also mentioned about the possibility of us having our Police Department move on to the new County radio tower once it's erected. This will greatly enhance the fire, EMS and police department's communications with no blackout areas in our community.

There should be no actual costs involved for us in the mounting on to the new tower. I will keep you informed of the progress as I received.

NYSEG Electric Company

NYS has allowed companies to enter into a New York state variable priced, Smart Rate Program. The Smart Rate Program offers the customer the opportunity to fix their price for their electricity contract for a defined period of time. The electricity program offers a credit of up to .004 kW per hour. NYSEG electric is currently supplying us at a rate per kilowatt of .068 per hour. Agway energy service through the smart rate program is per kilowatt .039 per hour. NYSEG electric company does not participate in the smart rate program. If they did the charge this month would be .044 per kilowatt hour, instead of .068 per kilowatt hour. Agway energy service under the smart rate program will provide energy to the Village of Monticello at a rate of .039 the first month and then after that at .044. This will save the Village of Monticello in energy cost savings of \$18,000 the first month. The way it works is NYSEG will be the electric company and Agway will be the electric provider because we are municipality. The agreement will be reviewed and can be changed to a new provider any given month if we do not like the price; however the fixed price is .044 per kilowatt hour under the Smart Rate Program.

Mortgages Held By the Village

After some research at the County clerk's office we have 36 mortgages held by the Village of Monticello, dating back from 2003 until current. I am looking into the statuses of the mortgage as directed by the Mayor. There are also 5 open judgments that the Village of Monticello is a creditor totaling the amount of \$2150 dollars. I will give a report to the status of the mortgages and judgments at the next meeting

Public Hearing-Re-Establishment of Human Rights Commission in Village

The Mayor opened the public hearing at 7:20pm. The floor was opened to the public and the following people spoke:

Barbara Burton

A motion was made by Trustee Hutchins to close the Public Hearing at 7:22pm and was second by Trustee Marinello. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Motion to Adopt the Local Law No.1 of 2011-Creating a Human Rights Commission

A motion was made by Trustee Rue and second by Trustee Marinello. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Resolution Adopting the Budget Transfers, Fiscal Year Ending July 2011

A motion was made by Trustee Hutchins and second by Trustee Marinello. Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Trustee Rue-Nay

Trustee Marinello-Yea

Trustee Hutchins-Yea

Trustee Matthews-Yea

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of aa db DR2800 SPECTRO without the Battery Pack from Hach Company for the Water Department in the amount of \$3,215.00

A motion was made by Trustee Matthews and second by Trustee Rue. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Resolution Authorizing the Emergency Repair to the Village heating system, sole service provider, Erts Mechanical, Inc. in the amount of \$3,350.00

A motion was made by Trustee Matthews and second by Trustee Rue. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Rue and second by Trustee Marinello. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm.

Submitted by:



Janine Gandy, Village Clerk