

Minutes

Board of Trustees

Village of Monticello

February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

5:30 p.m.

**Call Meeting to Order**

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

**Pledge to the Flag**

**Roll Call**

Mayor Solomon-Present  
Trustee Weyer-Present

Trustee Bennett-Present  
Trustee Gomez-Present

Trustee Rue-Present

**Also Present:**

David Sager, Village Manager  
Michael Davidoff, Special Council  
Melissa DeMarmels, Village Treasurer  
Chief Mir, Police Department  
Jim Steinberg-Highway Department  
Phil Klemen-Water & Sewer Department  
TJ Brawley-Code Enforcement

**Motion to accept the agenda**

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

1. Resolution authorizing Change Order increase of No. 2A-3 for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project in the amount of \$24,481.82 for Blue Heron Construction, Change Order increase of No. 2A-4 in the amount of \$83,571.90 for Blue Heron Construction and Change Order increase of No. 2D-3 in the amount of \$13,723.29 for Harry F. Rotolo & Son
2. Resolution authorizing the Manager to sign the WWTP Disinfection System Proposal for Engineering Services from Barton & Loguidice
3. Resolution authorizing a Recreation Agreement with Albert Smith and Jose Martinez
4. Resolution consenting and agreeing to Drake Loeb PLLC's representation of Lt. Mark Johnstone in the defense of the lawsuit commenced by Timothy Askew

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

### **Approval of Minutes from the February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 meetings**

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

### **Mayor Report**

Mayor Solomon stated that Charlie Degliomini had to cancel for this meeting, but will be present at the next Village Board Meeting on Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 to discuss the Casino project and the prospects for the Village. The Clerk was asked to please contact the press and have them present.

### **Manager Report**

We have a meeting scheduled on February 25<sup>th</sup> at Albella's Restaurant at 6:30 PM to begin to reorganize the Monticello Business Association (MBA). The village recognizes the need for a vibrant local chamber of commerce, as well as, the need for the village to be a productive part of the process.

Due to the wickedly cold temperatures this past weekend a primary fire suppression system water line burst in the old firehouse causing damage in both that area and to the DPW Garage below. We have reached to our insurer and a claims adjuster should be coming in the near future. Furthermore, I (& several board members) received complaints of no water or heat at the Shaker Heights and Monticello Meadows complexes. They too had a number of frozen pipes. I was assured by the property manager that a licensed plumber would be there today to fix any remaining problems so that heat and water can be restored to all units this evening. I will be scheduling a meeting with code enforcement and the property owners to discuss complaints that I have heard about since their taking over ownership of the complexes.

In 2014, the village received bids to replace the current doors at the main entrance of the Neighborhood Facility with automated handicap accessible doors from both Sullivan County Glass and Windows on Broadway. The bids were roughly \$16,000 and \$20,000 respectively. As part of the village's commitment towards revitalization of the facility, I would like to take action on getting a new ADA compliant door installed as soon as possible. I reached out to both prior bidders and only received a response from Sullivan County Glass. Their updated bid is \$17,855 for removal of current door and installation of new doors. Based upon the submissions and comparing them to the prior bids, I would like to see the board approve the Sullivan County Glass submission so that we can get moving.

Finally, we have the opportunity to purchase a "Vac-All" truck from the Town of Newburgh. I believe the truck is a 2006 with 29K miles. The truck does need some transmission and pump work that our own mechanics estimated to be approximately \$25K. The town was initially steadfast at a minimum bid of \$85,500, but have reduced the price to \$78,500. New, these trucks cost greater than \$320K. This truck would allow our sewer department to not only

unclog sewer lines, but also vacuum out the debris ourselves (which was previously done by contractors). I can tell you that the Town of Thompson also had an interest in this vehicle and I would like to reach out to them to work out an IMA on the vehicle, with cost sharing involved. I firmly believe that this is a very prudent purchase and would like to utilize money from the unrestricted reserves in our Sewer Account.

Trustee Gomez questioned the use of the Ted Stroebele Center's Room 1(big room) by Nana's House on Saturday's for a dance class and the complaints from the Village residents.

Mr. Sager responded that they are a non-for-profit agency and that they give scholarships out to Village residents and they are only utilizing the room until July.

Trustee Gomez and Trustee Rue both commented that they charge money for the classes per child and there is a very small number of attendee's.

Trustee Gomez went on to say that she feels that the priority of use should first be for the Village residents and those that pay before we allow a non-for-profit that is not from the Village to take priority and utilize the biggest space for such a long space of time. It's not fair to our residents in the Village and they are complaining about it because they pay to use it.

Mayor Solomon suggested that maybe moving the dance class to a smaller room, so that Room 1 can be utilized by the Village Residents and organizations that pay for the use.

### **Department Head Reports**

#### **Resolution authorizing the payment of bills in the amount of \$885,046.50**

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

#### **Resolution authorizing Budget Transfers for Fiscal Year ending July 2016**

A motion was made by Trustee Bennett with a second by Trustee Rue to authorize the budget transfers. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

#### **Resolution authorizing the posting of the Maintenance Man/Plumber position for the Water Department**

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

#### **Resolution authorizing the amendment of the Kaman Industries payment resolution from the November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 meeting to include the shipping fee of \$159.38, totaling the payment to \$1,697.78 for the Water Departments Flocculator Drive Chain from app#F.8320.459. Current account balance is \$9,181.76**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to Quickway Metal Fabricators for the Emergency Repair of the Flocculator in Water Department in the amount of \$1,900.00 from app#F8340.233. Current account balance is \$4,367.49**

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

**Resolution authorizing the USDA Form E in the amount of \$590,346.80**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to NYSHIP for the Village employee's health insurance in the amount of \$694,556.14 from the various funds, Water, Sewer, and Sanitation & General as listed**

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

**Resolution authorizing bids for the Replacement of the Traffic Light on East Broadway, Richardson Avenue and Fraser Avenue Intersection with a bid opening date of Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 2:00pm**

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a question and second by Trustee Bennett.

Trustee Rue asked if this was being paid through the Village's insurance.

The Highway Superintendent, Jim Steinberg, responded yes.

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to Ray Pantel Electric in the amount of \$17,754.00 for the labor and material to repair/replace the Light Pole damaged by a motor vehicle for the Highway Department for app#A.1620.202**

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

**Resolution Declaring the Intent of the Village of Monticello Village Board to act as Lead Agency for the West Broadway 1.5MG Storage Tank Project**

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

**Resolution authorizing the rejection of all bids for the 103 Jefferson Street Project**

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a question and a second by Trustee Gomez.

Trustee Rue asked what exactly this is.

Michael Davidoff, the Village Special Council, responded that this is for the Jefferson Street house that's imploding onto itself. The Village was going to demolish it, and we went out to bid and Glenn and I met and the bids came in extremely high, so to avoid breaking any time limits we decided that it would be best to have all the bids rejected and we'll re-bid it, if necessary, but in the meantime, there are people looking at the property to purchase it, so the Village may not have to do anything at all.

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

**Resolution authorizing Change Order increase of No. 2A-3 for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project in the amount of \$24,481.82 for Blue Heron Construction, Change Order increase of No. 2A-4 in the amount of \$83,571.90 for Blue Heron Construction and Change Order increase of No. 2D-3 in the amount of \$13,723.29 for Harry F. Rotolo & Son**

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

**Resolution authorizing the Manager to sign the WWTP Disinfection System Proposal for Engineering Services from Barton & Loguidice**

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

**Resolution authorizing a Recreation Agreement with Albert Smith and Jose Martinez**

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

**Resolution authorizing the Bid for the Handicapped Accessible Doors ant the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center, bid opening date set for Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016 at 2pm**

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

**Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Vac-All Truck for the Village not to exceed \$78,500.00**

A motion was made by Trustee Weyer with a second by Trustee Rue. Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Mayor Solomon-yea

Deputy Mayor Bennett-yea

Trustee Rue-yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Trustee Gomez-abstain

**Executive Session**

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Weyer to go into Executive Session at 5:58pm to discuss the following:

*Litigation*

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

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Gomez to come out of Executive Session at 6:13pm. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.


**Resolution consenting and agreeing to Drake Loeb PLLC's representation of Lt. Mark Johnstone in the defense of the lawsuit commenced by Timothy Askew**

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

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Trustee Bennett with a second by Trustee Weyer to close the meeting a 6:15pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Submitted by:



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Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk