

Minutes

Board of Trustees

Village of Monticello

February 7th, 2017

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 Rue-Present

Trustee Lymon-Present

Trustee Nikolados-Present

Also Present:

David Sager, Village Manager

Michael Davidoff, Special Council

Motion to accept the agenda

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

Approval of Minutes from the January 19th, 2017 meeting

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

Mayors Report

There was no report

Manager's Report

As you can see, we have worked with the County to complete an IMA necessary for annexation of their jail parcel into the village. All costs relating to the connection of the county parcel to Village of Monticello water and sewer shall be borne by the county, with zero cost to the village. In addition, the County is agreeing to pay for all costs of required infrastructure improvements in and around the Jefferson Street Corridor that relate to their annexation and infrastructure use. I have always seen this as an important inter-municipal cooperative effort with the County since we are the seat of county government. It is also understood that as a component of annexation into the Village of Monticello, once the parcel is developed and capable of generating solid waste, that the County will utilize the Village of Monticello Sanitation Department for all solid waste removal from the facility and pay all appropriate fees.

The West Broadway Water Storage Tank Project continues to move forward and is on schedule. Once again, this is a \$3,000,000 infrastructure improvement project to our water system that should have zero cost to the Village of Monticello.

I would like to commend Recreation Director, Darrin Raynor, for his incredible efforts to date. Mr. Raynor has re-established an active Youth Committee which is meeting regularly to discuss programming opportunities. Darrin has also reached out to partners within the community to create programs for our youth. I am proud to say that as of last week, there is now a soccer league on Wednesday evenings from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM for children school ages K-2. On Friday evenings from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM there is a basketball league for school aged children grades 3-5. Both events are being held at the old middle/high school/ BOCES building on St. John's Street and are free to Monticello School District residents. Both evenings were very successful with over 40 children participating each night.

Recreation Director, Darrin Raynor, and I are following up on a grant opportunity from 2015 NYS Parks Department in the amount of \$2500. We verified that the funds were still available and are looking into purchasing a digital projection monitor and speakers for the Ted Stroebele Center. While we understand that the TSB has many needs, the parameters of this grant funding require us to purchase something fun and recreational for the building. We feel this will allow us to host various events at the TSB for both children and adults and will help the center be a more appropriate place to hold seminars, conferences and other community meetings.

I am pleased to announce that Village Treasurer, Melissa DeMarmels, has successfully reconciled all current bank accounts. The reconciliations are being signed by her and reviewed and signed by me as per the recommendations of the Office of the State Comptroller. We have also begun cross-training efforts in both payroll and water/sewer billing, which was a noted of deficiency in the most recent audit.

Presentation- Bruce Ferguson-Sullivan Alliance for Sustainable Development

Moved to the next meeting on February 21st, 2017

Resolution authorizing the payment of bills in the amount of \$584,647.70

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

Resolution authorizing Budget Transfers for Fiscal Year ending July 2017

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

Resolution authorizing the contract and escrow of Alil Pericic in the amount of \$8,350.00 for the purchase of property from the Village of Monticello located at the corner of Liberty Street and High Street

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

Resolution authorizing the Annexation of SBL#12-1-37.7 and SBL#12-1-43 aka Rte. 17B situated in the Town of Thompson into the Village of Monticello and the Inter-Municipal Agreement for Water, Sewer & Sanitation

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

Trustee Rue asked is this for the jail?

Michael Davidoff, the Village Special Council replied yes, and there's also the IMA for the water, sewer and sanitation fee. This is everything for that project.

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

Resolution authorizing the purchase of a New Check Valve from Schmidt's Wholesale, Inc. in the amount of \$2,943.45 for the Water Department from app#F.8320.459. Current account balance is \$22,865.45

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

Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Welder from Airgas in the amount of \$1,199.00 for the Water Department from app#F.8320.459. Current account balance is \$21,666.45

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

Resolution authorizing the Project Engineer to bid the Water Storage Improvements Projects, bid opening date will be on Monday, February 27, 2017 at 2:00pm

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

Resolution authorizing the Village Manager to sign the MOA with the White Collar Employee's

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

Mayor Solomon-Yea

Trustee Weyer-Yea

Trustee Rue-abstain with a comment

Trustee Rue stated that she is abstaining from this vote because the MOA is prejudice to the one minority, African American employee, Ms. Walker, who has been an employee at the Village for 22 years.

As per Trustee Rue, all of the other employees under this contract who are white are getting raises for 3, 5 or 10 thousand dollars and Ms. Walker is only getting a 1-time bonus that is not even comparable to what the other white employees are getting and her salary is not

increasing like everyone else's is. This is wrong and she is not voting for it. This is a prejudice contract and it is wrong.

Trustee Lymon-yea with a comment

Trustee Lymon stated that this is not happening the way that Trustee Rue is explaining it and she cannot let Trustee Rue's comment sit without saying something because she is a minority and African American.

Trustee Lymon stated that she personally talked to all of the employees involved including Ms. Walker and got a full understanding of what was going on and Ms. Walker along with the other employees was fine with what is being voted. Plus, we all know that in today's economy, you cannot find and hire quality employees at the salaries we are offering. The Village has to offer better and higher entry salaries to compete with other employers. The way that it is being presented by Trustee Rue is not correct and after speaking with the employees and getting a full understanding, I feel comfortable voting for it.

Trustee Nikolados-yea

Resolution authorizing payment to Barton & Loguidice for applications #8-12 for the Jefferson Street Gateway project totaling \$11,837.41 from app#H.5020.300

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

Resolution authorizing the Sewer Plant Testing by Bioanalytic Corp in the amount of \$1,800.00 from app#G.8120.233. Current account balance is \$18,200.00

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

Resolution authorizing payment to B & L for the I & I Study Invoices in the amount of \$51,995.00 from app#G.1440.414. Account balance after invoices is \$83,245.00

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

Resolution authorizing payment to B & L for the USDA Water Project invoices in the amount of \$16,703.13 from app#H.1440.402

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

Resolution authorizing payment to Donegal Construction for the milling of Jefferson Street in the amount of \$6,010.00 from app#H.5020.300

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

Mayor Solomon-Yea

Trustee Weyer-Yea

Trustee Rue-abstain with a comment

Trustee Rue commented that she thought that this project was supposed to include in-kind services and that the Highway Department was supposed to do the Milling of Jefferson Street, why are we paying someone?

Mr. Sager, the Village Manager, stated that we do not have a milling machine and he was not aware of any in-kind services being performed because the Village does not have the equipment to do that type of work.

Trustee Rue continued that she went to all of the presentations and meeting for this project and this was always supposed to be an in-kind services project so she is abstaining.

Trustee Lymon-yea

Trustee Nikolados-yea

Resolution authorizing the repair and payment of the Hospital Hill Water Stand Tank in the amount of \$1,404.00 by Immel & Son Welding from app#F.8340.421. Account balance after budget transfers is \$5,069.26

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

Resolution authorizing the repair and payment of Sanitation Truck#14 from CEJJ, Inc.-Sole Source Provider, in the amount of \$4,445.22 for the Sanitation Department from app#CL.8160.423

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

Resolution authorizing the repair and payment of Sanitation Truck#11 from Wayne Thieles in the amount of \$1,689.00 for the Sanitation Department from app#CL.8160.423

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

Resolution authorizing the repair and payment of the East Broadway Pump Station from R & R Pump & Control Services, LLC in the amount of \$3,018.70 for the Sewer Department from G.8120.421. Current account balance is \$11,332.86

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 the Surplus of a Model#433 Rock-Ola Juke Box found in the TSC, any funds acquired from the sale will be deposited into the General Fund for use at the TSC

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

Trustee Rue asked is this the one in that is in the closet?

Mr. Sager responded yes. We are hoping to put this on an auction site that deals with these types of items to get the best bang for our buck and all of the proceeds will then be used for the TSC.

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

There was no Executive Session

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Nikolados with a second by Trustee Lymon to close the meeting at 6:00pm. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Submitted by:



Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk