

Swearing-In Ceremony

Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020-5:00pm

**Swearing-In of Elected Officials**

Newly Elected Mayor George Nikolados was sworn in by Judge Josephine Finn for a four (4) year term

Re-Elected Trustee Carmen Rue was sworn in by Judge Stephen Schick

Newly Elected Trustee Michael Banks was also sworn in by Judge Stephen Schick

Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda

Village of Monticello

Wednesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020

6:00 p.m.

**Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by newly sworn in Mayor George Nikolados.

**Pledge to the Flag**

**Roll Call**

Mayor Nikolados-Present  
Trustee Sabatino-Present

Trustee Rue-Present  
Trustee Banks-Present

Trustee Massey-Present

**Also Present:**

Michael Davidoff, Special Counsel  
Richard S. Baum, Deputy Special Counsel  
Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk  
Gary Lasher, Village Treasurer  
BJ Gettel-Building Department

**Executive Order Compliance:**

Mayor Nikolados acknowledged that we are compliant with all Covid-19 Health Pandemic regulations and Executive orders issued by the Governor of NYS in respect to conducting this Village Board Meeting via Video Conferencing with the Zoom App.

**Motion to accept the agenda with an add-on of the Sanitation Roof Repair Bid and a change of order**

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

Trustee Massey stated that she has a resolution that she would like to read on the record as

follows:

**RESOLUTION ENFORCING VILLAGE CODE SECTION 45-5 AND HIRING GARY SOMMERS AS THE VILLAGE MANAGER**

WHEREAS, pursuant to applicable Village law in the Village of Monticello, New York (the "Village") the Village Board appoints certain employees, including but not limited to the Village Manager; and

WHEREAS, under applicable law, Section 45-5 of the Village Code, the Village provides a salary of \$700.00 per week with regard to the position as Village Manager in the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has appointed Gary Sommers under Village Code section 45-5 as the Village Manager for the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board wishes by this Resolution to confirm the foregoing and to express its best wishes for a successful employment relationship with the newly appointed Village Manager.

NOW THEREFORE, it is resolved by the Village Board as follows:

1. All "WHEREAS" paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference as though set forth in full herein.
2. The Village Manager, Gary Sommers, shall commence employment with the Village at the weekly salary of \$700.00 per week effective October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020.
3. This Resolution shall take place effective immediately.

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

Mayor Nikolados-nay  
Trustee Rue-yea  
Trustee Sabatino-yea  
Trustee Massey-yea  
Trustee Banks-nay

**Presentation-Daniel Seminario- Boy Scouts Troop 101 Rock Hill, NY**

Daniel Seminario was present from the Boy Scouts Troop 101 out of Rock Hill and stated that he is pursuing his Eagle Scout Badge and has to do a project. He stated that with the current situation today in the world, he sees the need to put Hand Sanitizing Stations in DeHoyos Park that will have to be maintained by the Village after they are installed. He needs to get approval from the Board, which is the first part of his project, then build and install the stations, lastly he will provide the sanitizer to initially fill the stations.

**Motion to go back in order of the meeting agenda**

A motion was made by Trustee Sabatino with a second by Trustee Rue to go back in order of the original agenda. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

**Approval of Minutes from the August 19<sup>th</sup>, September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, & 17<sup>th</sup> meetings**

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

**Mayor Report**

Mayor's Appointments:

Mayor Nikolados stated that all of his appointments are hold-over's until further notice.

**Mayor's Appointments w/Board Approval-Two (2) Year Appointment**

Village Clerk	Term Expiration
Janine Gandy-McKinney	April 2020

Treasurer	Term Expiration
Gary Lasher	April 2020

**Mayor's Appointments w/Board Approval-One (1) Year Appointment**

Village Special Council	Term Expiration
Drew, Davidoff & Edwards	April 2020

Deputy Special Council	Term Expiration
Richard S. Baum, Esq.	April 2020

**Mayor's Appointments -One (1) Year Appointment**

Deputy Mayor	Term Expiration
Rochelle Massey	July 2021

Auditors  
Village Board of Trustee's

**Manager's Appointment-One (1) Year Term:**

Deputy Clerk-Stacey Walker	April	2020
Deputy Treasurer-Vacant	May	2020
Village Engineer-Glenn Smith	April	2020
Village Auditors-Cooper Arias LLP	April	2020
Official Newspaper-Sullivan County Democrat	April	2020
Police Surgeons- Drs. Lauterstein & Garfinkel	April	2020
Health Officer-Dr. Garfinkel	April	2020
Police Chaplains-Rabbi Chanowitz, & Pastor Ramirez	April	2020
Acting Village-Justice Leo Glass	April	2020
Official Banks- JP Morgan Chase Bank, Catskill Hudson Bank of Sullivan County, Wayne Bank, Jeff Bank & TD Bank	April	2020

**Building Department Report**

The Building Department reported that there is a total income of \$33,258.25 for the month of September 2020 in comparison to \$11,885.00 for September 2019 and monies are still coming in.

**Resolution setting the date, time and place of the regular Village Board Meetings for the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of each month at 6:00pm**

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

**Resolution regarding the Procurement of all Goods and Services by the Departments of the Village of Monticello**

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

**Resolution authorizing the Village Manager to allow employees to attend Seminars and Conferences which will benefit or further the interest of the Village not to exceed \$1,500.00**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment in advance of audit claims for Public Utilities, Fuel, Postage, ADP for Payroll related services, Town of Thompson bills and the Sullivan County Treasurer for Tipping Fee's only, and the Medicare Reimbursements Checks not to exceed \$30,000.00**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment in advance for the Employees Health Insurance not to exceed \$300,000.00**

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

**Resolution directing the Annual Audit of the Village Justice Court Records by the Village Independent Auditors by a bid process**

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

**Resolution adopting Investment Policy for the Village of Monticello**

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

**Resolution designating the TD Bank as the depository for the Justice Court and authorizing the Village Justice and acting Village Justice to have sole authorization of the accounts therein**

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

**Resolution designating the JP Morgan Chase Bank, Key Bank, Catskill Hudson Bank of Sullivan County, Wayne Bank, Jeff Bank & TD Bank as the depositories for the Village and authorizing the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Treasurer, Deputy Village Treasurer and Village Manager have sole authorization of the accounts therein**

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

**Resolution setting the Village's Annual Fall Clean-Up from Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020; handicapped and senior curb-side pick-up will begin on Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

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

**Resolution authorizing Representation of the Village regarding the Water Systems Improvement with the USDA Rural Development**

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

**Resolution approving the offer of payment from the County of Sullivan for easements on parcels #130.-1-10 and #130.-1-8 in the amount of \$1,700.00 and also \$4,100.00 respectively**

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

Trustee Rue asked what this was.

Michael Davidoff stated that the County is paying the Village for these easements. This property is Village owned and located down by Apollo Mall and the County needed some easements on our property, so the property was appraised and this is what the appraisal was and now the County is paying the County for the use of these parcels.

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

**Resolution authorizing the payment of the Village Bills in the amount of \$295,105.67 for fiscal year ending July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 and \$556,818.41 for fiscal year ending July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021**

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

**Resolution awarding the lowest bidder to Thompson Sanitation for the Trash Compactor Bids in the amount of \$2,000.00 for Rental, \$100.00 for Maintenance and \$275.00 per Haul subject to Fee Schedule Amendments**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to ATC Taxes in the amount of \$3,500.00 for the one-time charge for creating a Custom Tax Bill and the Tax Bill Printing License from app#A.1330.200 (Tax Collection) & \$500.00 from app#A.1670.403(Shared Services: Equipment Maintenance Contracts). Account balances are \$3,000.00 & \$2,000.00 respectively**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to Certified Laboratories in the amount of \$1,936.00 for Wet Well Degreaser for the Sewer Department from app#G.8120.421(Sanitary Sewers-Repairs/Maint). Account balances is \$5.02 after purchase in the 19/20 Budget**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to Computer Doctors in the amount of \$1,187.00 for Sonic Wall and Trouble Shooting for the Water Department from app#F.8310.401 (Water Admin Main Office Supplies). Account balance is \$2,000.00**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to Case Tire Service Inc. (Sole Source Provider) in the amount of \$1,164.00 for tires for Sanitation Truck#10 for the Sanitation Department from app#CL.8160.423 (Sanitation-Truck Repairs). Account balance is \$53,866.03 after payment**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to Peak Power Systems in the amount of \$1,543.94 for the repair of the Crystal Street Pump Station for the Sewer Department from app#G.8120.421(Sanitary Sewers-Repairs/Maint). Current account balance is \$26,571.31 after expense**

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

**Resolution authorizing the correction of errors for SBL#110.-3-63 aka 1 Hay Street in regards to the assessed valuation regarding the property exemptions**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to Mullally Tractor Sales Inc. in the amount of \$1,251.21 for the purchase of a Stihl TS5001 Cut-Off Saw for the Water Department from app#F.8340.459 (Transmission-Truck Equipment/Tools). Account balance is currently \$7,000.00**

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

**Resolution authorizing the Emergency Repair to the Rt 42 Pump Station in the amount of \$1,759.00 and payment to Schmidt's Wholesale Inc. from app#G.8120.421 (Sanitary Sewers-Repairs/Maint). Account balances is \$5.02 after purchase in the 19/20 Budget**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to Stadium International in the amount of \$32,396.06 for an Engine Replacement for the 2013 International 7300 for the Sanitation Department from app#CL.8160.423(Truck Repairs). Current account balance is \$21,469.97 after expense**

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

**Resolution agreeing and authorizing a refund to Town & Country Resort in the amount of \$7,101.65 for the assessment reduction for SBL#114.-11-4 from \$280,000.00 to \$247,000.00 and SBL#114.-11-5 from \$964,400.00 to \$716,900.00 for the 2019 tax year from app#A.0250**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to Koester Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$3,008.75 for the purchase of an additional Bar Chain with Attachments 403SS for the Sewer Department from app#G.8130.233 (Treatment/Disposal-Equipment Purchase). Account balance after purchase is \$11,824.30**

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

Mayor Nikolados-yea  
Trustee Rue-yea  
Trustee Sabatino-yea  
Trustee Massey-nay  
Trustee Banks-yea

**Resolution authorizing payment to Excelsior Blower Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$1,873.20 for Preventive Maintenance Service of Blowers for the Sewer Department from app#G.8130.233 (Treatment/Disposal-Equipment Purchase). Account balance after maintenance is \$11,824.30**

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

Mayor Nikolados-yea  
Trustee Rue-yea  
Trustee Sabatino-yea  
Trustee Massey-nay  
Trustee Banks-yea

**Resolution authorizing payment to Excelsior Blower Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$2,592.00 for Filter Elements for the Sewer Department from app#G.8130.233 (Treatment/Disposal-Equipment Purchase). Account balance after purchase is \$11,824.30**

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Sabatino to Table this item until an itemized bill is received. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

**Resolution authorizing payment to Eastern Managed Print Networks in the amount of \$1,687.01 from app#A.1670.401 (Shared Service: Printing & Copiers). Current account balance is \$4,874.00**

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to the Monticello Central School District in the amount of \$12,020.52 with a 1% penalty of \$119.01 if paid by 10/31/2020 from app#A.1950.400(Tax Assessments/Adjustments). Current account balance is \$25,000.00**

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

Trustee Banks asked the Village Clerk why are the bills being paid late and shouldn't these be a pre-pay.

Mrs. Gandy-McKinney responded that the bills are late due to tax time, the Village Election and

waiting for money to come in to the account to pay these taxes and making them a pre-pay will make things much easier.

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

**Resolution authorizing the naming of two streets for the Monticello Mews Project located on SBL#119.-1-25.11 as Pearl Place and Henri Place**

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

**Resolution awarding the Sanitation Garage Roof Bid to the lowest bidder, International Contractors Corp in the amount of \$47,064.00**

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

**Executive Session**

A motion was made by Trustee Sabatino with a second by Trustee Banks to go into Executive Session at 7:12pm for a Personnel Matter. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

A motion was made by Trustee Banks with a second by Trustee Massey to come out of Executive Session at 7:33pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

**MOU Regarding Ray Jones**

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

Mayor Nikolados-nay  
Trustee Rue-yea  
Trustee Sabatino-yea  
Trustee Massey-yea  
Trustee Banks-nay

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Sabatino to close the meeting at 7:38pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Submitted By:



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Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk