

Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes

Village of Monticello

Wednesday, April 15, 2020

6:00pm

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm by Mayor Sommers and the following press release was read into the record:

The Village of Monticello Board of Trustees will be holding a Special Village Board meeting on next Wednesday, April 15, 2020 at 6:00pm. The meeting will be available to the Public via the ZOOM app and the following information will be needed to access the meeting:

**Topic: Village of Monticello Board of Trustees Meeting
Time: April 15, 2020 6:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/688922336?pwd=RE1sNmZVnZsdIF2OUNMTUdSczh1QT09>

Meeting ID: 688 922 336

Password: 2BeE0w

All are welcomed to view.

Thank You

Village of Monticello

Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Mayor Sommers-Present

Trustee Nikolados-Present

Trustee Rue-Present

Trustee Massey-Present

Trustee Sabatino-Present at 6:20pm

Also Present:

Michael Davidoff, Village Special Counsel

Richard S. Baum, Deputy Special Counsel

Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk

BJ Gettel, Building Department

Rob Mir, Chief of Police

Gary Lasher, Village Treasurer

Motion to accept the agenda

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

Approval of the minutes from the February 19th, 2020 & March 21st, 2020 Emergency Meeting

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

Manager's Report

Mayor Sommers stated that Budget season has approached us and we are in the process of working on it with the Treasurer. We plan to meet all of the deadlines unless there are changes by the Governor due to the current pandemic.

We are still looking at accepting credit cards and hopefully looking to have that up and running very soon in the next week or so.

Effective tonight April 15th at 8:00pm, everyone has to wear masks out in public and all employers must provide them for their employees as the pandemic continues.

We are also looking at a way to try to get our local businesses back open, but until the Governor gives the okay, our hands are pretty much tied.

Building Department Report

BJ Gettel was present and gave a report of the Building Departments progress. She stated that in light of the pandemic, they have been limited and cannot do inspections as they were scheduled, so as of right now, they are pretty much halted, but they still have completed a lot up until the shutdown happened. Prior to the shutdown, they had an increase from last year in the number of Fire Safety Inspections being to the fact that none were completed last year, there was also increase in the amount of monies coming in due to these fire inspections. As of now, they are doing what they can in respect to the Governor's Executive Orders and completing a lot of office work. Things are still getting accomplished, but definitely at a much slower rate.

Resolution authorizing the payment of Village Bill's in the amount of \$735,853.97

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 Budget Transfers for fiscal year ending July 31st, 2020

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 Village Mayor and Chief of Police to sign an IMA authorizing the Sullivan County Sheriff Department the authority to deputize the Village Police Officers in response to the current Covid-19 Pandemic Health Crisis

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

Michael Davidoff stated that the purpose of this resolution is to give the Sullivan County Sheriff the authority to deputize Police Officers from this municipality and others, in case they need additional help in other jurisdictions.

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

Resolution authorizing the Mayor and Chief of Police to sign an agreement between the Village of Monticello Police Department and the Monticello Central School District regarding the use and monitoring of Security Cameras throughout the School District

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 limited use of the Village of Parks and Public Parking Areas in compliance the Executive Orders from NYS in response to the current Covid-19 Pandemic Health Crisis

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

Mr. Davidoff explained that this resolution is for the health and safety of the Village residents being that the parks and public parking areas cannot be properly sanitized between uses, which will promote the spread of the virus, so it is in the best interest of the Village to prohibit use of them for right now.

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

Resolution to protect the health and safety of everyone due to the spread of COVID-19 all employees and/or officials of the Village of Monticello, except first responders including Police, Fire and Ambulance personnel, are prohibited from entering any building, structure or residence for any purpose

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

Trustee Rue asked does this resolution literally mean any building.

Mr. Davidoff responded that the resolution means what it says, any building.

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

Other Business

There was a brief discussion of the Board in regards to hiring someone to assist with payroll and how to properly handle this issue being that the Treasurer is working on the Budget and handling other Treasury items.

No decisions were made and a motion to Table this issue was put on the floor by Trustee Massey with a second by Trustee Rue. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor to Table this matter.

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Mayor Sommers also announced that the Board will be going back to its regular meeting schedule of the 1st and 3rd Wednesday's of the month and will set additional meetings as necessary beginning next month. The next Village Board Meeting will be Wednesday, May 6th, 2020 at 6:00pm and the Clerk will do the proper notification in compliance with the current pandemic.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Nikolados to close the meeting at 6:31pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Submitted By:



Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk