

Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda

Village of Monticello

Wednesday, August 19th, 2020

6:00pm

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm by Mayor Gary Sommers.

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Mayor Sommers-Present

Trustee Nikolados-Present

Trustee Rue-Present

Trustee Massey-Present

Trustee Sabatino-Present

Also Present:

Michael Davidoff, Special Counsel

Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk

Gary Lasher, Village Treasurer

BJ Gettel-Building Department

Executive Order Compliance:

Mayor Sommers 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

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 July 15th & 29th, 2020 meetings

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

Manager's Report

Hiring of a Highway Superintendent

Mayor Sommers announced that he is looking to hire Jay Sherb as the new Highway Superintendent, but that will be finalized at the end of the meeting once a salary is determined by the Board.

Hiring of James Groom as a Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator Trainee in the Sewer

Mr. James Groom has been hired in the Sewer Department, at the salary of \$43,267.00 from the Civil Service list and will be starting on Monday, September 14th to replace long time employee John Carr who will be retiring soon.

Appointment of Alisande Lymon to the Monticello Housing Authority to fill the vacancy on the Board

I have appointed Alisande Lymon to the Monticello Housing Authority Board to fill the vacancy on that Board. I know that there are also a few hold-overs that I need to talk with to see if they would still like to be a part of that Board before I appoint them.

Memo to All Village Employees

Another memo was given to all of the Village Employees regarding the wearing of Face Mask, COVID-19 and safety Equipment. Mayor Sommers stated that he cannot stress enough the importance of following and taking the necessary safety measures.

Land Bank Invite

The Land Bank has sent an invitation to the Village for the opening of Bailey Common Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on August 20th at 11:30am. A trail created by the Summer Youth Program at the End of Edward Avenue & Bailey Avenue

Healthy Kids

He stated that he was contacted by Healthy Kids and they would like to run their daycare program out of the TSC temporarily until their building is ready on the corner of North Street and Liberty Street. Said that he has to sit down with them to get all of the information, once that is done, he will bring the information to the Board.

County Energy Tax Increase

For all of you concentrating on the Village, please be aware that the County Legislators have passed a 4% Energy Sales Tax on homeowners, so in addition to paying your current heating and electric bill, you will now pay the County of Sullivan an additional 4% on top for each of those bills and this will sunset in 2022. So, as your eyes are on the Village, remember there are many things going right before your eyes that will have a bigger and lasting impact.

Discussion:

Village Elections being conducted by the County of Sullivan BOE

Tabled

Noise Ordinance Chapter 185 of Village Code

Trustee Massey stated that the Village needs to reconsider the current ordinance of the books, because people are not abiding by it and there may need to be something more effective enforced. She stated that she has been looking at the Town of Bethel and think that they have a good one and the Board needs to look at theirs as a blueprint and come up with something better that what we currently have.

Procedures for Rental Permits

Trustee Massey also stated that these procedures also need to be looked into, because this is something else that is not being followed and it is causing a lot of problems for all involved.

Use of Clear Garbage Bags

Tabled

Resolution authorizing the payment of Village Bills for fiscal years 19/20 & 20/21

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

Resolution authorizing the RFP for Interior Improvements of the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center to be issued on Friday, August 21st, 2020 and opened on Thursday, September 17th, 2020 at 2:00 pm

Tabled

Resolution authorizing the RFP for Trash Compactors and Hauling for the Village of Monticello to be issued on Friday, August 21st, 2020 and opened on Monday, September 14th, 2020 at 2:00 pm

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 Computer Doctors in the amount of \$5,911.55. \$4,731.60 to be paid from app#A.3120.206(Police Computer Equipment) and the balance of \$1,179.95 to be paid from app#A.1670.403(Shared Services-Computer Contracts) for work completed regarding maintenance and back-ups

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 payment to Koester Associates, Inc.(Sole Source Provider) in the amount of \$2,922.00 for the purchase of a Bar Chain with Attachments 403SS from app#G.8130.233 (Sewer Treatment/Disposal) for the Sewer Department

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 ATC Taxes in the amount of \$ 2,900.00 for the Annual Maintenance & Hosting of the Village Tax Program from app#A.1330.200(Tax Collection)

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 Richard A. Stoloff, PLLC for the Assessment Reduction of 20 Bushnell Avenue aka SBL#112.-7-1 from \$148,300.00 to \$60,500.00 and issuing a refund for the 2019/2020 tax year in the amount of \$2,207.27 from app#A.0250 (Taxes)

Michael Davidoff stated that as we already know, the Village is not included in this and we just have to go with what's presented to us.

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 Arkel Motors Inc. for repairs to Sanitation Truck#12 in the amount of \$3,578.16 from app#CL.8160.421 (Sanitation-Repairs & Maintenance)

A motion was made by Trustee Sabatino with a second by Trustee Rue. 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 Rue to go into Executive Session at 6:29pm for a Personnel Matter. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

A motion was made by Trustee Sabatino with a second by Trustee Massey to come out of Executive Session at 6:55pmpm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Hiring of a Highway Superintendent

A motion was made by Trustee Sabatino with a second by Trustee Nikolados hiring Jay Sherb as the new Highway Superintendent with a salary of \$70,000.00 a year. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Massey to close the meeting at 6:57pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Submitted By:



Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk