

Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes

Village of Monticello

Monday, June 30th, 2025

5:00 pm

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:04pm by Mayor Massey.

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Mayor Massey-Present

Trustee Jenkins-Absent

Trustee Hutchins-Present

Trustee Davis-Present

Trustee Barbarite-Present

Also Present:

Michael Sussman, Village Special Counsel-absent

James Snowden, Village Manager

Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk

Martha Daza, Village Treasurer

Jay Sherb, Highway & Sanitation Supervisor

Richard Brodowsky, Water Department Supervisor

Robert Nelson, Sewer Department Supervisor

Motion to accept the agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Davis with a second by Trustee Hutchins with one (1) add-on. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Approval of minutes from the June 18th Regular Meeting & June 25th, 2025 Special Meeting

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

Mayor's Comments

No Report

Manager's Report

No Report

Discussion-Parking on Spring Street

There was a discussion of the Board regarding the parking and congestion on Spring Street due to the fact that it's a one-way street halfway and then you must turn right on to Washington Street or keep going straight.

Highway Supervisor, Jay Sherb suggested that their either be no parking at all or only allow parking on Sundays for those that attend the churches located on that street from 6am to 12noon or just do no parking at all times on either side.

A motion was made by Trustee Hutchins with a second by Trustee Davis to set up a Public Hearing for July 16th at 6:15pm for no parking on either side of Spring Street except for Sundays. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Motion to Adjourn the regular meeting & Open a Budget meeting

A motion was made by Trustee Hutchins with a second by Trustee Davis to adjourn the regular meeting & open a Budget meeting at 5:10pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Mayor Massey asked the Board if they had any questions for the Department Heads regarding the Tentative 25/26 Budget.

Mr. Snowden responded that he spoke with Mr. Sherb regarding the increase in sanitation fees in the amount of 20% and he is in full agreement. The sanitation fund struggles the most because it has a lot of expenses, but makes very little money, also with this new 25% increase from the County for the Tipping Fees, a 20% increase is the only way we can afford it and hopefully balance that fund out. He stated that we also need to go up at least 3-5% on the quarterly water bills, we will be building or improving our water plant and going out to bid soon, so doing the increase now, will assist us for the incoming expenses not covered by the grants and that will also end up on out taxes in the next, 26/27, fiscal year.

Trustee Hutchins stated that he is a Village tax payer too and that 20% increase is stiff and then increase in water, but he understands the necessity of it. The Village is being hit very hard from all sides and we have to find a way to recoup it, especially with the County going up in the tipping fees and all of these contracts, raises and improvements; our goal is to pass a balanced budget and these increases along with the proposed tax increase is the only way we can do it, and honestly, we are still not out of the woods, but we will gain a little head way.

Mayor Massey stated that she is not happy with the increases, but they have to be done. The previous administration left us in a deep, dark hole and we have to find a way out, we have these huge contracts with these increases, some up to 6% for the next two years and we have more expenses than money and we cannot get out of these union contract. I am not happy, but this is what we have to do. If no one has any other issues to discuss, we can close this portion of the meeting and return to our regular agenda.

Close the Budget Session

A motion was made by Trustee Hutchins with a second by Trustee Davis to close the budget meeting & return to the regular meeting at 5:32pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Resolution of Adoption for the 2025/2026 Village Budget

A motion was made by Trustee Davis with a second by Trustee Hutchins to approve the 25/26 Village with a 9.5% tax increase and a 5% increase in the water and sewer bills. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Resolution authorizing payment of the Village bills in the amount \$211,477.80

A motion was made by Trustee Hutchins with a second by Trustee Davis to pay the Village bills. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Resolution authorizing a Correction of Errors for SBL#108.-1-1 & 108.-1-2 for tax years of 2021, 2022, & 2023 in the amount of \$13,114.21 for Jody & Brenda Farquhar from app#A.0250 (General. Current Tax Receivables) and making him an outside water user

A motion was made by Trustee Hutchins with a question and a second by Trustee Barbarite.

Trustee Hutchins asked was the monies figured out or totaled in regards of him being an outside user?

The Village Clerk responded yes, everything was totaled and also deducted from this amount and he is being paid the balance. Those monies will be transferred to the water fund and he will more than likely have a credit on his account.

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

Resolution authorizing the inclusion of Brookview Cottages to the Consolidated Harris Sewer District Extension

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

Mayor Massey-yea

Trustee Jenkins-absent

Trustee Hutchins-nay

Trustee Davis-yea

Trustee Barbarite-yea

Resolution setting a Public Hearing date for a Proposed Local Law to Amend section 252-19 of Chapter 252 to include "No Parking on Either side of Nelshore Drive & Spring Street except for Sundays" for Wednesday, July 16th, 2025 at 6:15pm

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

Resolution authorizing a 20% Increase of Commercial & Residential Sanitation effective August 1st, 2025 and amending Chapter A290 of the Village Code

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

Resolution authorizing the purchase of 500ft of pipe in the amount of \$3,960.00 from Town & County Bridge & Rail off State Bid out of app#A.5110.229 (CHIPS) for repairs on Monticello Street

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

Resolution authorizing the return of a Bond Payment in the amount of \$10,000.00 to Djuljka Ljaljic from app#T.0033.726 work completed at 47 Cottage Street. Current account balance is \$10,000.00

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

Resolution authorizing the General Code (sole source provider) Estimate and payment to Update the Village Code not to exceed \$5,575.00 from app#A.3620.40(Code Enforcement-Contr/Softwr Maint)

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

Resolution awarding the lowest bidders for the Highway Stone Bid and Water & Sewer Bid for the 25/26 fiscal year

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

Resolution authorizing payment to MVP for July 2025 for the Employee's Health Insurance in the amount of \$58,954.44 from app#A.9060.800 (Hospital & Medical Insurance), \$29,602.75, app#CL.9060.800 (Hospital & Medical Insurance), \$8,580.60 , app#F.9060.800 (Hospital & Medical Insurance), \$13,291.47 & app#G.9060.800 (Hospital & Medical Insurance), \$7,479.62 respectively

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

Add On:

Resolution authorizing the approval of the PUD (Planned Unit Development) in the Village of Monticello, section 280-59

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

Executive Session

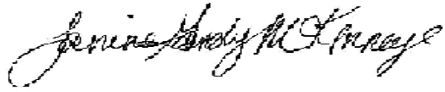
A motion was made by Trustee Hutchins with a second by Trustee Davis to go into Executive Session at 5:58pm to discuss a Personnel matter. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

A motion was made by Trustee Hutchins with a second by Trustee Davis to come out of Executive Session at 6:22pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Davis with a second by Trustee Barbarite to close the meeting at 6:22pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Janine Gandy-McKinney".

Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk