

Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes

Village of Monticello

Tuesday, November 13th, 2018

5:30 p.m.

Executive Session

The Board continued the recessed Executive Session at 5:30pm from the October 30th, 2018 meeting discussing the following issue:

Personnel

A motion was made by Trustee Nikolados with a second by Trustee Rue to come out of Executive Session at 6:42pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Mayor Sommers-Present

Trustee Rue-Present

Trustee Nikolados-Present

Trustee Massey-Present

Trustee Sabatino-Present

Also Present: Michael Davidoff, Village Special Council
Gary Lasher, Treasurer/Village Administrator

Motion to accept the agenda

A motion was made by Trustee Nikolados with a second by Trustee Rue to accept the agenda with the following add-ons:

1. Resolution accepting the Proposed Budget for the LISC Grant in the amount of \$71,000.00 as attached
2. Resolution authorizing the payment of bills in the amount of \$713,558.91

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

Approval of minutes from the October 30th, 2018 meeting

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

Mayor Sommers-yea

Trustee Nikolados-yea

Trustee Rue-yea

Trustee Massey-abstain

Trustee Sabatino-yea

Mayor/Manager Report

Mayor Sommers started his report by reminding the public that the Department of Public Works is down to eight (8) people and is cleaning the streets with the Vac-All as best they can.

The Village's Fall Clean-Up was a success.

In regards to the issues being mentioned on Social Media, Mayor Sommers stated that he would appreciate all of those individuals making these claims coming to a Village Board meeting or coming and talking with him if it is something really worth discussing. He stated that he feels that everyone here is doing a great job and if those that are commenting really had validity to what they are claiming, they would come forward and stop hiding on social media.

Other Board members commented that it's just best to ignore it, they are all cowards using fake names and hiding.

Appointment of Zoning Board Vacancy

Mayor Sommers appointed David Komatz to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term of five (5) years to fill the vacancy left by former Board member, Bonnie Hoffman.

Resolution authorizing the creation of Two Assistant Code Enforcement Officer Positions in the Village of Monticello

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

Gary Lasher, the Village Treasurer/Administrator stated that this resolution is only allowing the Board to create the positions, no one is being hired, nor is a salary being made, it's simply to create the positions in the Village. As per Civil Service, this is what we must do first.

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

Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the Extension of License Agreement with Majestic 1 Realty LLC

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

Michael Davidoff, the Villages Special Council stated that this resolution is simply authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement that we already have set in place. It must be signed yearly and it expired in September. Majestic 1 owns it, we lease and maintain it for \$1.00.

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

Resolution approving payment to NYSEG for the Electrical Connection for the Jefferson Street Booster Pump station and related facilities installed by Sullivan County for the new jail in the amount of \$1,372.00

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

Resolution authorizing Form E #5 for the USDA Water System Improvement Project not to exceed \$263,282.26

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

Mayor Sommers-yea

Trustee Nikolados-yea

Trustee Rue-yea

Trustee Massey-yea

Trustee Sabatino-abstain

Resolution approving the eligible expenses, authorizing the Village to Execute the request for the release of funds #7, and authorizing the Village Treasurer to issue payment upon receipt of funds for the meter replacement project within the Village of Monticello to be paid through the CDBG Program

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

Add-Ons:

Resolution accepting the Proposed Budget for the LISC Grant in the amount of \$71,000.00 as attached

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

Mr. Lasher stated that this is the completed budget for the LISC Budget as requested for the Zombie Properties. This budget allocates funds for salaries and this is possibly where we can pay the two additional Assistant Code Enforcement Officers from.

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

Resolution authorizing the payment of bills in the amount of \$713,558.91

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

Other Resolutions:

Resolution retaining Drew, Davidoff & Edwards Law Offices, LLP to commence and represent the Village of Monticello in Summary Proceedings to remove tenants from Village owned properties, at the hourly rate of \$175.00 plus reimbursement for costs and disbursements

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

Resolution authorizing going out to bid for a Plumber to winterize Village owned properties not to exceed \$3,500.00

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

Trustee Rue asked what this is for.

Mr. Lasher responded that the Village needs to go out to bid to get a Plumber to winterize the Village owned properties. He stated that he asked the Water Department and they told him that they do not do that, it is not part of their job or out of their job scope. So, in order for the Village not to have any issues we need to get his done as soon as possible especially with the weather and approaching so quickly.

Trustee Nikolados and Trustee Rue both responded that is their job and it is not out of their scope of work.

Mr. Lasher stated he knows that, but they are refusing to do it.

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

Resolution authorizing appraisals on 39-41, 43 & 45 High Street

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

Resolution authorizing the change of payroll Companies from Paychex to ADP at the same or less cost

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

Resolution authorizing the Villages financial input not to exceed \$2,000.00 for an Ice Skating Rink in the Village

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

Executive Session

A motion was made by Trustee Nikolados with a second by Trustee Rue to into Executive Session at 7:20pm to discuss the following:

Business Proposal

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

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Nikolados to come out of Executive Session at 7:47pm. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Nikolados to close the meeting at 7:47pm. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Janine Gandy-McKinney". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk