

Minutes

Village of Monticello

April 21st, 2015

7:00pm

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm by Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon.

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-Present

Trustee Bennett-Absent

Trustee Rue-Present

Trustee Weyer-Present

Also Present:

David Sager, Village Manager-Present

Michael Davidoff, Special Council

TJ Brawley, Code Enforcement

Phil Klemen, Water & Sewer Superintendent

Chief Mir, Police Department

Motion to Accept the Agenda

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

1. Resolution authorizing the Village Manager to attend the NYCOM Annual Meeting, May 3-5, 2015 at the Gideon Putnam Hotel, Saratoga Springs, NY
2. Resolution authorizing the Annual Village Spring Clean-up from Saturday, May 9th, 2015- May 16th, 2015 from 8am-2pm weekdays, and 8am-11am on Saturdays, no Sunday
3. Resolution setting a Joint Meeting date for June 2nd, 2015 at 6:45 at Village Hall for the annexation of 66 East Broadway from the Town of Thompson into the Village of Monticello
4. Presentation-Alan Weir & Joshua Jones-SEE Project

Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

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Approval of Minutes from the April 7th, 2015 meetings

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

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Acting Deputy Mayor's Report

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon reported that there was a craft fair last Sunday at the Ted Stroebele Recreation Center that raised over \$900.00 for the building renovations. The Nugget has been completely renovated inside and re-opened on lower Broadway under new ownership as a Steak House and encouraged everyone to go out and show support. He also stated that he would like to form a Youth Services Committee and he has asked Aleta Gomez to chair that committee and she has accepted, along with Vince Gilmore who currently runs a recreation program at the Cooke School on the weekends. Finally, he asked that the regular meeting that was scheduled for Tuesday, May 5th, 2015 at 7pm, be rescheduled to Monday, May 4th, 2015 at 6pm, he will be out of town and there is the possibility of a quorum not being present.

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Weyer to change the first meeting of the month of May, Tuesday, May 5th, 2015 to Monday, May 4th at 6:00pm. Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Manager's Report

Department Head Reports

Presentation-Alan Weir & Joshua Jones-SEE Project

Alan Weir from the SEE Project was present. He stated that he and his colleague, Joshua Jones started this group about a year ago and they take at risk youth on trips to broaden their horizon. They are asking the Village if they would assist them by taking them under their umbrella for insurance purposes.

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Presentation-Carol Roig from Sullivan Alliance for Sustainable Development (SASD)

Carol Roig from Sullivan Alliance for Sustainable Development (SASD) gave a presentation regarding a community microgrid project in the Village of Monticello under New York State Energy Research and Development Authority's (NYSERDA) NY Prize initiative and the importance of the Village Hall and other municipal facilities being able to function in a power outage. They asked the Village Board to pass a resolution authorizing a study to be done by a company by the name of Booz Allan, with no initial cost to the Village and the option to refuse or discontinue at any time.

A motion was made by Trustee Weyer with a second by Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon to authorize the study.

Trustee Rue stated that she does not feel comfortable making any motion or taking any vote at this time because the presentation was just done and she feel that the attorney should look into this project. This presentation was done last year when Mayor Jenkins was here and at that time we did not take any action on it and I feel once again, this is not a move that should be rushed. The Attorney should look into this to make sure that there is nothing hidden or behind the scenes that would later hurt the Village and that is my opinion so I will not vote on this tonight.

The motion was tabled until the next meeting.

Approval of bill's in the amount of \$288,714.05

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

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Resolution authorizing Budget Transfers for Fiscal Year ending July 31st, 2015

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

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

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Resolution authorizing the Emergency rebuild of the Transmission for Car#18 for the Police Department by Don's Automotive Mall Inc. in the amount of \$1,325.00 from app#A.3120.421. Current account balance after expense is \$5,746.70

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

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Resolution authorizing payment to Morpho Trust USA, LLC in the amount of \$3,422.00 from app#A.3120.206 for the Police Department for the Annual Maintenance & support for the LivScan system. Current account balance is \$5,382.50

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

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Resolution authorizing payment to MTEK in the amount of \$3,095.82 from app#G.8130.458 for the Sewer Department for Bio-Systems "B-3". Current account balance is \$9,236.51

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

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Resolution authorizing payment to TAM Enterprises in the amount of \$1,175.00 from app#G.8120.233 for the Sewer Department for the Sleepy Hollow Clean Wet Well. Current account balance is \$12,302.95

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

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

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Resolution authorizing the waiving of any/all penalties associated with the water bill of Leatrice Deitsch bill#51-0000924-0 for the billing period of October 7, 2014 to January 7, 2015

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon with a discussion. Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon stated that he is against waiving these penalties because he believes that it will open the flood gates for everyone that pays late or has an issue and cannot pay on time.

Trustee Rue stated that she went to Mrs. Deitsch's house and this individual is very ill and has always paid all of her bills on time and she was hospitalized at the time the bills were due. We as Village officials have to show compassion to the constituents and tax payers. Everyone is not in the same situation, I agree that we just can't go and do it for everybody and that it should be looked at on a case by case basis and I feel that this is a case that needs to be considered due to the circumstances, she is a long time Village resident that has raised her family here. We give and waive all of these thousands of dollars in fees for the Library, Sleepy Hollow, and everyone else, but we can't waive \$150.00 for an elderly person who is very ill and a life-long resident? Come on, something is very wrong with that.

Trustee Weyer commented that I am a resident and have been here all of my life and I came in and had to pay the \$150.00 fee. I do feel that the fees are exurbanite and should be looked at, but there was no consideration given to me.

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon stated that maybe we should table this and have the Manager look into this more carefully and advise us. I am interesting in finding out how many people are charged this fee and how many people actually pay.

The Village Manager responded that he has no problem looking deeper into this situation, but there are many people who get charged this fee and a lot of them pay it without any gripes because they understand that they have passed the allotted time to pay it and this is the penalty. We all pay late fees one time or another.

Trustee Rue stated that she feels that is a waste of time having the Village Manager look into it further. There is nothing else to look into. The lady already gave all of the information and so did the clerk, we have everything we need to make a decision. If you read her letter, she also said that David was very nasty to her, so why would we have him look into it, he already feels how he feels about it. Let's just vote, but we have to be more compassionate, these are the people that vote for us and put us in office.

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-nay

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Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-nay

Resolution setting up Work Sessions for the 2016 Fiscal Year budget for the month of May 2015

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Weyer setting the dates for Monday May 4th, 2015 at 5pm and Tuesday, May 12th, 2015 at 8am. Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Resolution authorizing Form E for the USDA in the amount of \$312,675.76

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

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Resolution agreeing with the assessment reduction of SBL#111.-5-3 from \$100,000.00 to \$98,000.00, SBL#111.-5-17 from \$151,000.00 to \$131,000.00, and SBL#111.-7-3 from \$254,700.00 to \$100,000.00 for the 2013/2014 & 2014/2015 Tax Years in accordance with the Town of Thompson Assessment Review Board decision dated March 11, 2015 and issuing a refund in the amount of \$8,125.93 from app#A.0250

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

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Resolution authorizing payment to Computer Doctors in the amount of \$4,910.98 from various funds as stated, General, Sanitation, Water & Sewer

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

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Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Resolution authorizing payment to the USDA for the 1995 USDA Water Loan Interest Payment in the amount of \$5,670.00 from app#F.9710.700

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

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Resolution authorizing payment to Utility Survey Corp in the amount of \$1,500.00/day for the locating of utility wiring and poles on site at the Sewer Plant as per the terms of the Sewer Contract from app#G.8130.233. Current account balance I \$16,463.82

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

Trustee Weyer asked what is this?

Phil Klemen, the Water & Sewer Superintendent responded that this was in the contract for the Sewer grant and we were not aware of it and this leads into the next phase of what will be done at the plant so this is has to take place to move forward with the project.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

Trustee Rue- yea

Trustee Weyer-yea

Executive Session

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee weyer to go into Executive Session at 8:26pm.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea

Trustee Bennett-absent

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Trustee Rue- yea
Trustee Weyer-yea

Possible Litigation

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Weyer to come out of Executive Session at 8:49pm.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea
Trustee Bennett-absent
Trustee Rue- yea
Trustee Weyer-yea

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Weyer authorizing the Village to sign an agreement with the County to file litigation with the DEC against David Turick not to exceed \$2,500.00 for a contamination study on his Waverly Avenue property.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea
Trustee Bennett-absent
Trustee Rue- yea
Trustee Weyer-yea

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Weyer to close the meeting at 8:52pm.

Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Acting Deputy Mayor Solomon-yea
Trustee Bennett-absent
Trustee Rue- yea
Trustee Weyer-yea

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Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janine Gandy".

Janine Gandy, Village Clerk