

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Village of Monticello

Wednesday, November 18th, 2020

6:00 p.m.

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:03pm by Mayor George Nikolados.

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Mayor Nikolados-Present
Trustee Sabatino-Absent

Trustee Rue-Present
Trustee Banks-Present

Trustee Massey-Present

Also Present:

Michael Davidoff, Special Counsel
Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk
Rich Manley, Building Department

Executive Order Compliance:

Mayor Nikolados 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.

Moment of Silence

The Village Board paused for a Moment of Silence in recognition of the following individuals that were former employees of the Village:

Ronald Royster-Employee
John Diuguid-Mayor
Judge McCormick

Motion to accept the agenda

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

Approval of minutes from the October 21st, 2020 & November 4th, 2020 meeting minutes

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

Mayor/Manager Report

There was no report

Resolution authorizing the payment of bills in the amount of \$16,201.68

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

Resolution reinforcing the Ban on Weapons in the Workplace Policy in the Village of Monticello

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a comment and a second by Trustee Banks.

Trustee Rue commented that this policy needs to be signed by every employee and a copy placed in their Personnel file as we did with the initial policy.

Mayor Nikolados reassured the Board that it will be.

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

Resolution authorizing the purchase of a 230DS Flanged Check Valve with lever and spring from Schmidt's Wholesale (Sole Source Provider) in the amount of \$1,390.80 from app#G.8120.421-Sanitary Sewers-Repairs/Maintenance. Current account balance is \$22,028.36 before purchase

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

Resolution authorizing the issuance of a Peddler's Permit to Craig Ford for Water Testing Kits

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

Trustee Rue commented that this person should be given some type of ID from the Village to ensure the residents that the Village is allowing them to do this. She stated that with the way times are now, it's not safe for this individual to be going door to door and many residents are not going to answer the door, but she feels that people will be a little more confident to answer if the person shows that they have something from the Village.

Mr. Davidoff stated that the person is not working for us, so we cannot legally issue them an ID, but they will have ID from their employer and whatever permit we issue them which should suffice, it's an individual's discretion to answer the door or not. There is no obligation on our part or theirs.

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

Cleaning in the Village

Trustee Rue stated that she is aware that the notice for the Cleaner went in the paper on Tuesday and that she hopes that a qualified person is hired and not anyone's friend or a random person off the street. She stated that we have to be careful with the numbers rising, she has been over in the Police Department and it is disgusting. We need to get someone here immediately. The person that was here before did a good job and kept the place cleaned daily and there were no complaints, but just with him being gone for the two weeks it's terrible. I think that the next time that we have situation like that, where someone is being promoted that we do not allow them to transfer until their position is successfully filled, because now we are stuck and the Police Department, Village Hall which is a Public place and the public comes in and uses that bathroom and the bathrooms at DeHoyos park are a disgrace. I am an elected official and it is not my job to clean and I will not do it. I think until a person is hired, we need to reach out to Harry O's on a

temporary basis until the position is filled.

Trustee Massey stated that well I know that the Clerk's office and that part is being cleaned because I go in there and clean it, the bathrooms and all, the Clerk can tell you that. I go in there and clean.

Mrs. McKinney stated that myself and Ms. Walker clean, and vacuum everyday along with wiping down the handles and doors and yes Trustee Massey does come in and clean, but remember we are now dealing with COVID and we need someone that is certified in that. We cannot have a random person off the streets because it can do more harm than good. We need someone that knows what they are doing and can properly sanitize and clean these areas. I don't recall the Village ever having a company come in and do a real deep down cleaning and it's needed, having Harry O's or a company come in the meantime would be a good thing to do a deep cleaning and sanitizing on a temporary basis.

Mr. Davidoff stated that Trustee Rue and the Clerk are correct, it's a professional service and having a company come in for now is allowable under the law as long as it's temporary. At this point time is of the essence and we do not have the money or time to bid it out, but it is allowable on a temporary basis.

Trustee Rue also commented about temperatures being taken. She stated that the Board of Health is making random visits and we do not need to be paying fines of \$1,000.00 a day because we are not following the rules. I was in the office talking to the ladies the other day and we have to be very careful with this virus and the Board of Health.

Mayor Nikolados stated that he took care of the thermometers today and that will begin on Monday in the Village offices.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Trustee Banks with a second by Trustee Rue to go into Executive Session at 6:18 pm for Leasing Village Properties. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Banks to come out of Executive Session at 6:31pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Banks to close the meeting at 6:32pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Submitted by:



Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk