

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Village of Monticello

Wednesday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021

5:00 p.m.

**Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 5:05pm by Mayor George Nikolados.

**Pledge to the Flag**

**Roll Call**

Mayor Nikolados-Present  
Trustee Sabatino-Present

Trustee Rue-Present  
Trustee Banks-Present

Trustee Massey-Present

**Also Present:**

Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk  
Michael Davidoff-Village Special Counsel  
Gary Lasher-Village Treasurer  
BJ Gettel, Building Department

**Motion to accept the agenda**

A motion was made by Trustee Sabatino with a second by Trustee Massey. 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 Banks to go into Executive Session at 5:06pm to discuss the following:

Personnel & Litigation

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

A motion was made by Trustee Sabatino with a second by Trustee Banks to come out of Executive Session at 6:18pm. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

**Litigation Resolution**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks with a question and a second by Trustee Sabatino. Upon the call of the roll, the vote went as follows:

Mayor Nikolados-yea  
Trustee Rue-nay  
Trustee Massey-nay  
Trustee Sabatino-yea  
Trustee Banks-yea

**Approval of the minutes from the June 16<sup>th</sup>, June 30<sup>th</sup> and July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 meetings**

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

**Mayor/Manager Report**

Mayor Nikolados stated that he is working with the Planning Department at the County in regards to the Revitalization Initiative for Broadway, there were some resolutions on the last agenda that the Board passed and now we are making sure that we have all of the necessary information to file for the grants.

**Discussion-Waverly Avenue Bridge Proposal-Barton & Loguidice**

Roy Richardson from Barton & Loguidice was present and stated that the Village is fully aware of this project. It is something that has been in the works for a while. The County agreed to pay for all of the Engineering and has budgeted for it in their upcoming year. All the Village will be paying for is the Proposal which is \$47,900.00. The County's expense is far greater and this is the last thing that needs to be taken care of to get the project moving forward. We cannot wait any longer on this as I know that the Village is tight on funds, but this has to be done. I'm not anticipating on a vote tonight, but if you can all discuss it and then hopefully have a decision by your next meeting that would be great.

**Resolution authorizing the payment of the Village Bills in the amount of \$487,490.92**

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

**Resolution authorizing the Village Mayor to Sign Extension of Water Service Agreement with Walmart**

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 approving the conveyance of real property at Oakley Avenue in the Village of Monticello (SBL#111.-6-12) owned by the Village of Monticello in the amount of \$45,000.00**

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

**Resolution authorizing the Village Mayor to Sign an Agreement with Random Productions, LLC in the amount of \$1,200.00 for the use of the municipal parking lots**

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

Trustee Rue commented that we should be asking for more money. HBO is a big production company and they have a budget and they can pay a lot more than this \$1,200.00. If this was in the city or anywhere else, they would be paying much more than this.

Mayor Nikolados explained that this a good thing for the Village, they offered to pay this, we were going to allow them to use the parking lots for free. They offered to pay this, so I think this is a good thing. It's money that we were not expecting.

Mr. Davidoff stated that this is a great opportunity for the Village, it will give us exposure. The County let us in on this because we needed to be included on the insurance since the jail that they will be filming at is located in the Village. So, this \$1,200.00 that they are willing to pay is extra, moo me else is getting paid, but us. Hopefully, this will draw other investors to the area to buy properties or film more movies here, that would be a great asset to the Village so to me, it's an advantage.

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

**Resolution waiving the interest on Tax Bills for Parcels owned by Sullivan County**

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

Mr. Davidoff explained that there were some County properties that fell delinquent and because we do not foreclose on County properties, they were not caught by anyone. There's now a new person and she was going through the books and notice that the taxes were never paid. So in keeping a good relationship with the County, who waives fees and other things for us, we are returning the favor. The amount waived is far less than the amount of taxes that we will be receiving, so we will still come out above.

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

**Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with the Monticello Central School District for the School Resource Officer**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks with a second by Trustee Sabatino.

Trustee Massey asked how much does the school pay of the officer's salary and who is the School Resource Officer.

Mr. Davidoff answered that they school district pays 80% of the salary while school is in session. I'm not sure who the officer is, but they are responsible for interacting with the kids, being a mentor in the school, they also do home visits for kids who are not attending school and they work with the community.

Chief Mir responded that the School Resource Officer is Officer Calvello.

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

**Resolution authorizing the Emergency Repair of the Shaker Heights Pump Station and payment in the amount of \$1,300.00 to Smith & Loveless from app#G.8120.421(Sanitary Sewers-Repairs/Maintenance). Current account balance after expense is \$32,468.74**

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

**Resolution authorizing the Emergency Purchase of a Check Valve for the Vapnick Pump Station on East Broadway and payment to Schmidt's Wholesale Inc. in the amount of \$2,384.05 from app#G.8120.233(Sanitary Sewers-Equipment Purchase). Current account balance is \$113, 000.00**

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

**Resolution declaring the CAT 350 KW Generator as surplus**

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 the Emergency Purchase and payment for a Scale for the Lab in the Sewer Department from USA Blue Book in the amount of \$2,299.30 from app#G.8130.419( Sewer Treatment Disposal-Lab Supply/Testing). Current account balance after expense is \$18,889.30**

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

**Resolution authorizing the Village's 2021/2022 Insurance Policy in the amount of \$359,341.61**

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

Trustee Rue commented that the insurance keeps going up from all of these lawsuits.

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

**Resolution authorizing the purchase of a used 10ft 5yd Dump Body from New York Truck Parts, Inc. in the amount of \$3,500.00 for the Highway Department, all work will be done in-house. Purchase to be made from surplus monies collected in the amount of \$14,200.00**

A motion was made by Trustee Sabatino with a second by Trustee Banks.

Mayor Nikolados stated that the monies that we are paying for this is from the surplus monies that we are receiving and we have more stuff to send for surplus and we will be getting more monies, which is all a plus for the Village.

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

**Resolution authorizing the purchase of Man-hole Risers from Chemung Supply in the amount of \$2,928.96 for the Sewer Department from app# G.8130.421 (Treatment/Disposal-Repairs/Maintenance). Current account balance is \$23495.24**

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

**Resolution accepting the sum of \$15,000.00 from Morris Schrader, owner of 18 Wood Avenue in full and complete satisfaction of the judgement in favor of the Village of Monticello against Morris Schrader**

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

**Executive Session (if necessary)**

A motion was made by Trustee Sabatino with a second by Trustee Banks to go into Executive Session at 6:43pm to discuss the following:

Personnel

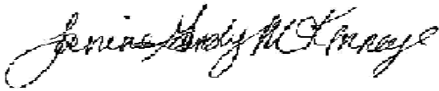
Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Rue to come out of Executive Session at 7:32pm. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Trustee Sabatino with a second by Trustee Rue to close the meeting at 8:29pm. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

Submitted by:



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Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk