Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes

Village of Monticello

Tuesday, June 28th, 2022

6:00 pm

Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05pm by Mayor George Nikolados.

Pledge to the Flag

Roll Call

Mayor Nikolados-Present Trustee Rue-Present Trustee Banks-Absent

Trustee Massey-Present Trustee Jenkins-Present

Motion to accept the agenda

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

Public Hearing-2022-2023 Village Budget

Mayor Nikolados read the notice into the record:

VILLAGE OF MONTICELLO

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Monticello will hold two (2) Special Meetings for a Public Hearings to consider the Annual Budget for the fiscal year commencing August 1st, 2022 and ending July 31st, 2023, said hearings will take place on Wednesday, June 22nd and Tuesday, June 28th, 2022 at 6:00pm. All are welcome to attend.

Dated: Tuesday, June 21st, 2022 By Order of the Board of Trustees Village of Monticello Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk

The Treasurer, Gary Lasher, made the Public aware that we are at the Tax Cap and we have no choice but to raise the taxes. The highest they can increase is by 2%, but I believe once I get the final numbers from the Assessor, we will come in lower. As Mr. Snowden stated in the last meeting we are at a \$1M dollar+ deficit and as of now, there's no way to fix it. All of the fat has been cut out and we are literally at the bare bones and there's nothing left to cut. All raises have been taken out. We're beginning contract negotiations and it's up in the air how those will go because raises were not budgeted for. We also took a lot of the equipment purchases out of the budget because we just can't afford them right now, despite how bad we need them. Police contracts have not been settled yet and we still have to get through those. So this is where we are.

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A motion was made by Trustee Massey with a second by Trustee Rue to open the Public Hearing at 6:08pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

The floor was opened to the Public three (3) times and the following people spoke: Diana Curbelo-questioned how many police officers are budgeted for?

Mr. Lasher stated that the budget calls for 21 officers, which is what was in their last contract, right now I think they may have 12 including the Chief. The police is the majority of the General Fund Budget.

Kamal Elsayed-Overall budget, how were numbers calculated

Mr. Lasher and the Manager explained how the budget numbers come to fruition.

A motion was made by Trustee Massey with a second by Trustee Jenkins to close the Public Hearing at 6:33pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Resolution adopting the Budget for 2022/2023 Fiscal Year with a tax increase not to exceed 2%

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

Mayor Nikolados-yea Trustee Rue-yea

Trustee Banks-absent

Trustee Massey-yea

Trustee Jenkins-nay

Resolution authorizing the Village Manager to sign a contract with TK Elevator Corporation for the emergency repair and payment in the amount of \$7,234.11 for the Elevator located at Village Hall

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

The Village Manager stated that this was the only company that was willing to come and even look at the elevator on short notice. No other company responded or even returned phone calls, so we had to go with this company. That elevator is terrible, everything is broken in it, the doors will not open and we found out that it hadn't been serviced since 2014.

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

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Manager Report

Mr. Snowden stated that he's got the pool almost complete, he stated that he had a donation for the paint for the pool and that's all that's left to be done. The only thing we are missing is lifeguards for the pool. We cannot get a response for anyone at this time, even with us volunteering to pay for the CPR training.

DeHoyos Park is practically complete, we are working with the electrician to get the wiring done for the pavilion and we'll be set with that. The tennis courts are ready and we are working on getting the nets for the basketball courts, so we are definitely on the ground moving and getting things done.

<u>Adjournment</u>

A motion was made by Trustee Rue with a second by Trustee Massey to close the meeting at 6:59pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Submitted by:

Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk

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