

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Village of Monticello

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

6:00 pm

**Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Mayor Nikolados.

**Pledge to the Flag**

**Roll Call**

Mayor Nikolados-Present

Trustee Rue-Present

Trustee Banks-Present

Trustee Massey-Present

Trustee Jenkins-Present

**Also Present:**

Antoinette Williams-Village Attorney

BJ Gettel-Deputy Village Clerk

**Motion to accept the agenda**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks with a second by Trustee Rue to accept the agenda with three (3) add-ons. Upon the call of the roll, all were in favor.

**Mayor/Manager Report**

Danielle from Reach for the Stars was present again. She had previously come to the Board asking to utilize the TSC back lawn for an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, beginning at 2:00pm, but due to the weather forecast it will be raining, she asked if the date can be changed to the following Saturday, on April 30<sup>th</sup> at the same time. The program will still consist of an Easter Egg Hunt along with light food and candy being given out.

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

Darius Rodgers was also present, and he stated that he would like to host a Basketball Tournament on Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, with a rain date of Saturday June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024. He stated that the tournament will be in support of all the local clothing designers of our local community. Each team in the tournament will represent a local clothing brand, the time will be from 2pm-8pm. He also stated that he would like to have food vendors, music and so forth.

BJ Gettel from Code Enforcement stated that she has concerns regarding population control and the food vending. She stated that there may need to be some involvement of the Board of Health and a few other agencies. She asked that the Board hold off before deciding until the details can be worked out.

Trustee Jenkins stated that there will be a new Board coming in soon and I would ask you to wait until that is finalized and we need to investigate what the Code Enforcement has issues with. We

are for it, and we support you, let us just get all the details worked out and then we can go from there.

Trustee Banks commented that we can at least pass a resolution for the dates despite the Code Enforcements concerns. We are the Board that is here now, and it came before us and we should vote on it, we have no idea what the new Board will do. I have done these types of things before and they take a lot of time to prepare and if we can at least finalize the date, that 's a huge help in getting the ball rolling.

Trustee Jenkins stated that it is just his opinion, but the Board can do whatever they want, but he stated that he thinks it would be in the best interest to wait until the new Board is in place and find out what the Code Enforcement's concerns are.

Mr. Rodgers stated that he has no problem waiting and he totally understands.

**Discussion-119 Park Ave Utility Bill Adjustment**

Mayor Nikolados asked that this item be tabled until he can get more information

**Resolution authorizing the payment of the Village Bills in the amount of \$522,528.92**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks 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-yea
- Trustee Massey-nay
- Trustee Jenkins-nay

**Resolution setting a date the Village of Monticello's annual Spring Clean Up Saturday, \_\_\_\_\_ – Saturday, \_\_\_\_\_ from 8am-2pm M-F and 8am-12pm Sat, Senior and Handicapped curbside pick-up will be begin on Monday, \_\_\_\_\_**

Tabled by Mayor Nikolados

**Resolution authorizing a Utility Bill Adjustment for 87 Rose Valley Road Unit# 35 in the amount of \$164.25 off the water and sewer portion of the bill due to there being a new owner and the bill being sent to the former owner**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks 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-yea
- Trustee Massey-nay
- Trustee Jenkins-nay

**Resolution authorizing a Utility Bill Adjustment for 26/34 Carpenter Place in the amount of \$2,491.82 off the sewer portion of the bill due to a leaking pipe**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks 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-yea  
Trustee Massey-nay  
Trustee Jenkins-nay

**Resolution authorizing a Utility Bill Adjustment for 8 Woodcliff Avenue in the amount of \$1,543.33 off the sewer portion of the bill due to a broken pipe**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks 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-yea  
Trustee Massey-nay  
Trustee Jenkins-nay

**Resolution authorizing a Utility Bill Adjustment for 8 Court Lane in the amount of \$35.00 which is the bounced check fee**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks 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-yea  
Trustee Massey-yea  
Trustee Jenkins-nay

**Resolution authorizing a Utility Bill Adjustment for 31 Fairchild Place in the amount of \$1615.53 off the water portion and \$1373.18 off the sewer portion of the bill due to the incorrect meter read entered by the Meter Reader**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks 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-yea  
Trustee Massey-nay  
Trustee Jenkins-nay

**Resolution authorizing a Utility Bill Adjustment for 645 West Broadway in the amount of \$447.53 off the water portion and \$380.40 off the sewer portion of the bill due to the incorrect meter read, read should have started at 0, but it did not**

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

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vote went as follows:

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

**Resolution authorizing payment to Glenn Smith in the amount of \$1,285.75 for Water System Rehab work from app#F.8310.414 (Water Professional Fees) for the Water Department. Account balance after expense is \$5,315.75**

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 payment to Barton & Loguidice in the amount of \$2,105.00 for General Water Work completed from app#F.8310.414 (Water Professional Fees) for the Water Department. Account balance after expense is \$3,210.75**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks 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-yea
- Trustee Massey-nay
- Trustee Jenkins-nay

**Resolution authorizing payment to Ray S. Pantel (sole source) in the amount of \$1,320.00 for the repair of Open Wire and the Install Receptacle from app#A.1620.421 (Building & Grounds-Repairs/Maintenance) for the DPW. Current account balance after expense is \$35,532.44**

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 a Budget Transfer from app#3100 (USDA Sewer Short Lived Asset) to G.1440.414(Engineer Professional Services) for the cost of the Spectrum Line Construction in the amount of \$45,858.45 that was previously approved on the February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024, Special Meeting**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks 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-yea
- Trustee Massey-nay
- Trustee Jenkins-nay

**Resolution authorizing payment to Harriman Army-Navy for the purchase of Uniforms for Chief Corley in the amount of \$1,209.00 from app#A.3120.104(Police-Uniform). Account balance after purchase is \$14,193.94**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks 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-yea  
Trustee Massey-nay  
Trustee Jenkins-nay

**Resolution authorizing payment to The Pond and Lake Connection(sole source) in the amount of \$2,524.00 from app#F.8330.233(Purification-Chemical Equipment) for Reservoir Treatment for the Water Department. Account balance before service is \$3,500.00**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks 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-yea  
Trustee Massey-yea  
Trustee Jenkins-nay

**Resolution authorizing a 30-day Advance Notice Waiver for the Tag Forty Inc., which is located at 321 East Broadway, #15, in the Village of Monticello for their Liquor License application**

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 a Facilities Agreement listing the Village of Monticello as an additional insured with Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County and authorizing the Village Mayor to sign said agreement**

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

**Add-Ons:**

**Resolution authorizing the canvass of votes from the March 19, 2024, Village Election as reported in the attached Schedule "A" accordance with the NYS Election Law §15-126(1)**

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 Emergency Purchase of Filters for the Sewer Department in the amount of \$1,192.00 from app#G.1940.400(Reserved Sewer Project) from Excelsior Blower Systems. Account balance before purchase is \$67,906.66**

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

Mayor Nikolados-yea

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Trustee Rue-yea  
Trustee Banks-yea  
Trustee Massey-nay  
Trustee Jenkins-yea

Resolution authorizing a Utility Bill Adjustment for 21 Highland Ave in the amount of \$788.48 for the sanitation portion due to the sanitation being charged, but not actually picked up by the Village

A motion was made by Trustee Banks 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-yea  
Trustee Massey-yea  
Trustee Jenkins-nay

**Board Comments**

Trustee Rue thanked everyone for allowing her to serve as a Village Trustee and those that voted for her. She said in her years of serving she has done everything honestly always for the betterment of the Village.

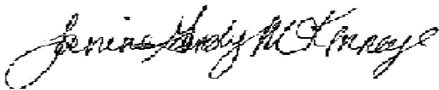
**Executive Session**

There was no Executive Session

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Trustee Banks with a second by Trustee Rue to adjourn the meeting at 6:33pm. Upon the call of the roll, all present were in favor.

Submitted by:



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Janine Gandy-McKinney, Village Clerk