

Minutes of the Regular Meeting, of the Board of Trustees, of the Village of Montgomery, was held in the Village Hall, Meeting Room, 133 Clinton Street, Montgomery, NY 12549, on Tuesday, July 5, 2022, at 7:30 pm.

Present: Mayor Brescia, Deputy Mayor Scheels, Trustee Andolsek, Trustee Hembury (absent), Trustee Lindner, Atty. Stephanie Midler, Village Clerk Rivera-Fernandez, DPW Supt. Nelson, Police Chief Herlihy, Videographer Ibberson, Don Berger, Maria Beltrametti, Steve Snyder, Andrew Romulo, Jeff Van Zandt, Tim Mahoney, Greg Wantje.

RE: CALL TO ORDER - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Brescia opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MINUTES

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board approved the minutes of June 7, 2022, and June 21, 2022. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Trustee Hembury).

REQUEST TO MEET WITH BOARD'

Mr. Andrew Romulo with Printeks (Construction Documentation Services) presented the Board of Trustees with a proposal of a 3D scanning services option for the Village Hall. The 3D scanning provides architects with robust accurate documentation of existing conditions, and eliminates the inefficiency of traditional field measuring practices. Thereby providing the Village with a digital rendering of the building to be used for future renovations, maintenance, insurance claims and more.

It is something that could be done in phases and the cost could be as much as \$10,000.00, given the size of the Village Hall building. It could be as detailed and ornate as you would like, down to the moldings. The one of kind memorabilia (Artwork) is something that we may be able to do, but we are not quite there yet, as far as replicating it and printing it. The level of details plays a huge factor into the time frame for the project. For example, you may have heard about the Notre-Dame Cathedral fire, the technology that was used to recreate that building is the exact technology that he is speaking of today. A professor had the foresight to scan the structure a couple years prior to the fire.

Mayor Brescia asked Mr. Romulo to provide the Village Board with a cost proposal of the Village Hall and thanked him for coming.

ABSTRACT – NO. 06 - 2022

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, all bills listed on ABSTRACT NO. 06-2022 were audited and approved for payment with \$ 202,153.73 from the General Fund, \$5,754.48 from the Water Fund, \$36,419.26 from the Sewer Fund and totaling \$244,337.47. Check No: 79473 – 79561, 1903 - 1916. Motion carried 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Trustee Hembury).

Treasurer Griffith reported a CASH BALANCE for the month of June 30, 2022, as follows: General Fund \$4,269,160.75, Water Fund \$255,063.07, Sewer Fund \$530,143.80.

OLD BUSINESS

None

RE: NEW BUSINESS

SCHEDULE A SPECIAL MEETING TO AWARD THE HOLT WELL FIELD 3-B BID

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board scheduled a Special Meeting to award the Holt Well Field 3-B Bid, to be held on Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at 3:30 pm. Motion carried, Motion carried 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Trustee Hembury).

ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR BRESCIA TO EXECUTE A WATER SUPPLY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN ON BEHALF OF THE HYNDMAN HEIGHTS WATER DISTRICT AND THE VILLAGE OF MONTGOMERY

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board adopted a resolution authorizing Mayor Brescia to execute a water supply agreement between the Town on behalf of the Hyndman Heights water district and the Village of Montgomery. Motion carried 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Trustee Hembury).

REPORTS – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

DPW Supt. Nelson mentioned he has finished most of the major paving with 6 roads paved using approximately 1700 tons of blacktop. He is working with Central Hudson on the sidewalks for Presidential Heights.

Mayor Brescia asked DPW Supt. Nelson if he plans to start installing sidewalks in other areas first.

DPW Supt. Nelson replied, it might impact it a little bit. He does not want to begin installing a sidewalk in the middle of a street.

Mayor Brescia suggested starting on the Railroad side of the tracks.

DPW Supt. Nelson replied, that is the less important side.

Mayor Brescia said OK, let's try to expedite it.

DPW Supt. Nelson said he is trying to get Central Hudson to absorb the cost of it; we have to move the entire telephone pole. They are in the process of discussing the manner in which it will be done. He has a good feeling that they will end up moving the telephone pole for us, because it's a safety hazard. He may have to call a surveyor to determine the property lines. However, he was able to find property pins today, making it possible to move forward. So, he will begin to prepare for the sidewalks.

Mayor Brescia mentioned the Senior Center looks great; the painting has been completed.

DPW Supt. Nelson said the trim on the Senior Center has yet to be done.

REPORTS - POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Chief Herlihy said the department is very proactive with a lot of events coming up soon; with the tragedy that occurred yesterday there is a great deal of concern for the residents about safety. Just know that we do not air on complacency, so when we plan our events, we are always looking and running through scenarios for things that we could imagine, that could happen. Therefore, due to the recent tragedy, he along with the Deputy Police Chief Arteta, Sgt. Werner, and Sgt. Briere will be reevaluating all of the precautionary measures for the upcoming events. We are definitely taking into consideration any new avenues that we can explore. So, everyone should feel comfortable attending our events. We try to plan for as much as possible, unfortunately we are not able to predict what may or may not occur but everything is taken into consideration for our events and the safety of the residents of the Village and visitors.

APPROVE BUDGET ADJUSTMENT AS OUTLINED BY TREASURER GRIFFITH

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board approved the budget adjustments as outlined by Treasurer Griffith. Motion carried 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Trustee Hembury).

RE: EVENTS

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES PRESENTS THE PERFORMANCES BY:

The Jon Bates Band, Thursday, July 7, 2022; The Blackdirt Bandits, Thursday, July 14, 2022; Hurley Mountain Band, Thursday, July 21, 2022; and Some Guys & A Broad, Thursday, July 28, 2022, all performances being held at the Clinton Street Bandstand starting at 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

RE: FIRST ANNUAL VETERANS VILLAGE CAR SHOW

1st Annual Veterans Village Car Show, Sunday, July 10th, at 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at the Veterans Memorial Park, Bridge Street. For more information, call Tony 845-572-1507 or email: asalta5497@aim.com.

CHANGE SEPTEMBER 6, 2022 BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board changed the Board of Trustees meeting on September 6, 2022 to Tuesday, September 13, 2022, at 7:30 pm, to be held in the Village Hall, Meeting Room, 133 Clinton Street, Montgomery, NY 12549. Motion carried 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Trustee Hembury).

PUBLIC PORTION – DISCUSSION OPPOSING THE HEIGHT VARIANCES

Mr. Berger commended the DPW for doing a great job paving the roads and has the upmost respect and confidence that the Police Department is always doing their job and appreciates them for it. He expressed his concern after attending the last ZBA Public Hearing regarding the KSH Development project requesting a height variance of 45 feet, for two of the warehouses closest to Route 211, which is ten feet variance. He reminds the Board that an agreement had been reached between KSH property owners, the residents of Weaver Street and the Village, regarding the landscaping and keeping a buffer that would cover its appearance from the village entrance and from the homes on Weaver Street. He is on alert after viewing a rendering of the buildings and how it's to appear. The communication needs to be improved amongst all of the Boards because it seems all of the development applications are approved and nothing is ever denied. What else is going to be approved for this site, there has to be a limit. Another developer was approved for a height variance on Union Street, by the ZBA and feels with all of these developments happening; it's definitely changing the foot print of our quaint historic village. He found that the updates to the comprehensive plan posted online have not been updated with the recent changes.

Mayor Brescia said the Village Board gives the ZBA the sanctions to make decision on behalf of the Village Board and they know where the Village Board is coming from on this issue. Furthermore, the design of the building as well as the landscaping is going to be decided at the Planning Board level and they know what we want to see there. He asked Mr. Berger to advise him what was approved that isn't noted in the updated comprehensive plan.

Mr. Mahoney resident of 243 Union Street also expressed his concerns about the KSH Development and after seeing the rendering of what the proposed site is going to look like, he's upset and fears it is going to be a carbon copy of the Medline facility being big and obtrusive and that's the first thing you'll see when entering the Village. This is not why he came to live here. He agrees with Mr. Berger about what these developments are doing to the village, once changed, its forever, permanent and the fabric of the quaint village is gone.

Trustee Lindner said we are still looking at a gateway overlay zone which would begin at Chandler Lane to the intersection of Routes 416 and 211. The plan is to place a berm behind the houses.

Mayor Brescia said that is all well and good but we are talking about the buildings and the landscaping around the buildings.

Mr. Berger said the ZBA also granted a height on Clinton Street to 43 feet, he doesn't think the Village wants big tall buildings down Clinton Street. Once you open a can of worms, who knows what's going to happen. He was of the mind set that the Village wants a symmetrical appearance.

Mayor Brescia said he is not certain but a little eclectic flare may fit in but not in all cases though.

Jeff VanZandt of 91 Weaver Street said he is concerned about a statement the Zoning Board made about not talking to the other Board's (the Boards do not talk to each other). How is that possible from a developers' perspective there are certain guidelines to be followed and its was understood when they came before the Board and asked for permission. They know what the Board wants to see coming into the Village. This is a 200-year-old Historic Village, as a resident he does not want to see a commercial building in the gateway to the Village. This area is changing in negative way. You are only adding to the headaches that the residents who have moved into the Village to avoid.

Mayor Brescia thanked them for voicing their concerns and asked if anyone had anything further to say.

Ms. Beltrametti would like to point out to Police Chief Herlihy one day she coming out of Senior Street, turning on to Route 211, on the 23rd of June, at 7:30 am a siding contractor truck which she believes it was Spinoza went whizzing past her, followed by a ton of pick-up trucks and they were obviously not doing 30 MPH; of which she did not see a Police Officer anywhere in sight. Its so dangerous and feels an officer should be stationed at the entrance to the Village to monitor these vehicles. She reiterated her concerns regarding the various purpose bond.

Mayor Brescia said this issue has already been addressed regarding the bonding. He thanked her for her comments and entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board adjourned the meeting of July 5, 2022 at 8:19 pm. Motion carried 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent (Trustee Hembury).

Monserrate Rivera-Fernandez, Village Clerk