

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Montgomery is held in the Meeting Room at 133 Clinton Street, Montgomery, NY 12549 on January 6, 2015 at 7:30 pm.

Present: Mayor Brescia, Deputy Mayor Scheels, Trustee Andolsek, Trustee Hembury, Trustee Lindner, Atty. Dowd, Village Clerk Rivera-Stanley, Police Chief Walsh, Maria Beltrametti, Peter Sullivan (Walden Rotary), Re Hagele (Walden Rotary), Johanna Sweikata, Don Berger, Dennis Hulihan.

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

### **RE: MINUTES**

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board approved the meeting minutes of December 3, 2014. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0- Nays.

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board approved the meeting minutes of December 16, 2014. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

### **RE: REQUEST TO MEET WITH THE BOARD**

Peter Sullivan and Re Hagele spoke to the Board on behalf of the Walden Rotary Club; to request the Board authorize the Walden Rotary Club to host, A Taste of Montgomery, to be held at Veteran's Memorial Park in the Village, on Sunday, September 27, 2015. We are starting early this year obtaining restaurant commitments; that is what our problem was with this event for this past year. Therefore, we will be able to go ahead with printing and permit applications and the necessary insurance will be provided. The proceeds of the Taste of Montgomery will benefit the Tom Gabrynowicz Scholarship and many other Rotary Club community projects. We are excited to bring back this event which highlights the wonderful and diverse cuisine available at area restaurants for so many worthwhile projects.

Mayor Brescia asked if there is going to be tent as previously.

Peter said, as well as use of the facilities for precooking.

Mayor Brescia said it is closer to the Teen Center; we can work that out with little league. We may have to open up the kitchen and the bathrooms are accessible as well. It has always been a fantastic event.

Trustee Lindner asked if they are sure to have all the man power necessary to host this years' event. It was very disappointing after advertising it the yearly events flyer. It is anticipated by many.

Peter said we understand feel the disappointment as well. We are certainly planning earlier this year.

**RE: ROTARY CLUB OF WALDEN NY TO HOST 2015 TASTE OF MONTGOMERY**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Hembury, the Board approved the Walden Club of Walden NY Inc. to host the 2015 Taste of Montgomery, Sunday, September 27, 2015 at the Veterans Memorial Park, with the same conditions we have had in the past providing insurance and naming the Village as an additional insurer and so and so forth. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Mayor Brescia and the Board thanked them for coming.

**RE: ABSTRACT NO. 12-2014**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Hembury, all bills listed on ABSTRACT NO.12-2014 were audited and approved for payment with \$ 476,409.04 from the General Fund, \$ 16,340.51 from the Water Fund, \$ 24,778.04 from the Sewer Fund and totaling \$ 517,527.59. Check No: 47152 - 47171, 47982 - 48070. Motion carried 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Treasurer Benedict reported a CASH BALANCE for the month of December 31, 2014, as follows: General Fund \$ 2,647,935.92, Water Fund \$ 299,838.51, Sewer Fund \$ 182,759.22.

**RE: REPORTS**

Police Chief Walsh reported speaking briefly with Trustee Hembury regarding the speed trailer; we had a repair shop come out and look at it. It is not functioning properly; they took parts back to New Hampshire for much needed repairs. As soon as it is fixed, I plan on setting it up on 211. It is the speed study trailer; it basically records a traffic study for you. In addition, it alerts motorist when they are in violation.

We also received our new copier machine, which has a dual purpose to fax and copy. Therefore, eliminating the lease for two machines; the new lease also provides the toner, as well. In turn we are saving money by not buying multiple cartridges and toner for different machines. The new lease is only an increase of eighty cents per month over the last lease.

The new server that I did not discuss with you but forwarded emails to you, has been ordered. It is expected to be installed within ten days.

Mayor Brescia asked when Kristoff is leaving and returning?

Police Chief Walsh said he is actually leaving today and returning in April, 2015. The schedule has been adjusted accordingly.

Mayor Brescia reported that DPW Supt. Nelson is on a sewage failure in Rolling Meadows. He is working on that as we speak.

Trustee Hembury reported attending the St. Patrick's meeting last night, it was requested as we did last year, to march the parade and attend Mass. There was a discussion also about radios. If possible could we buy radios for the all the field Marshals? We have leased the radios for General Montgomery Day from NYCOMCO with a radio to radio to the base station. It has to be relayed; the problem comes in to play by Chandler Lane and Beaver Dam Road. It would be the same as the recreational style radios; I feel it may be even worse.

Mayor Brescia asked they can afford them with the expenditures; they give us partial payment for the police on that day.

Trustee Hembury said we could use them for the other events as well.

Police Chief Walsh said it was discussed at the St. Patrick's meeting to have about twelve to fifteen radios.

Mayor Brescia said let's get a price and then we will discuss it. See what they can put up, they do donate and raise money from the race. I do believe this year it is to raise money for backpack for kids. They have done it for other causes.

**RE: ADOPT RESOLUTION FOR 2015 CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN ORANGE COUNTY OFFICE OF THE AGING AND THE VILLAGE OF MONTOMGERY FOR SENIOR DINING PROGRAM, USE OF THE SENIOR CENTER**

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board authorized Mayor Brescia to enter in to a contract agreement between Orange County Office of the Aging and the Village of Montgomery for the Senior Dining Program Dining Facility beginning January 1, 2015 thru December 31, 2015, not to exceed \$ 7,200.00 to be reimbursed. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

**RE: VILLAGE OFFICES CLOSED**

January 19, 2015, Village offices closed in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

**RE: PUBLIC PORTION**

Don Berger said about ten weeks ago you may recall I brought up issues regarding the water conditions on Waters Edge, you said you would look into it. What is the status? More problems have developed since that meeting. I have some pictures of the water conditions as well some items I brought to the DPW.

Mayor Brescia asked if the DPW have been providing filters

Don said the DPW guys are great, they bend over backwards to help.

Mayor Brescia said he wished Buddy was here to say what is actually going on.

Don stated he was told that by the end of October all the fire hydrants were going to be flushed.

Dennis Hulihan said the hydrants were flushed. I have brought a couple of pictures. The issue is you have to run your water for about five or ten minutes before it clears. It does not always clear.

Mayor Brescia stated Ward's Bridge Inn called with a problem; they filled up the hydrant out in front as they are supposed to but it was done too fast. Buddy has spoken to Charlie Wallace, I have talked with Chris Sharpe who will speak with Bob Pressler, the Fire Chief to take a few more minutes to fill up the trucks, and they would not have the problem. It affected Ward's Bridge Inn for a few hours. The concern was during they're dinner crowd.

Dennis said we have been there for four years, it is not as if comes once. If affects the washing machine, the bath tub, it also causes a stain. Buddy and his crew do everything they can. New pipes were installed with the hope it would alleviate the problem. We are at the end of the line so we are getting all the sediment. It is the same down the street and the cul-de-sac.

Don said there is no return off of Dunn and Water's Edge.

Dennis said he had his hot water heater checked for sediment and that was not the issue. I have it flushed once a year. It was just checked a month and half ago. I am paying for this. I do not know what the solution is but there has to be something that can be done.

Mayor Brescia said Pleasant used to have the same issues. I think when we put the ten inch main on Weaver it helped out a lot. We do plan on looping the system on Pleasant. We have to look at something else. Is it mostly on Water's Edge?

Don said it is on Dunn where it meets with Water's Edge on the cul-de-sac area.

Mayor Brescia asked if Steve and Andy have the same issues.

Don said it is hit or miss with everyone but is always one of us.

Dennis said you get it more with the hot water. You can run your water until it runs clear but you certainly cannot do that with your washing machine.

Mayor Brescia said Rich Miller and Bernice used to complain to me on a regular basis.

Don said it has an effect on your water tank and pipes in the long range scheme of things. We are being progressive with this and trying to resolve the problem or look into the problem.

Mayor Brescia said he will have to speak with Buddy and see what options we can pursue.

Trustee Lindner asked if it seems to get better after the hydrants are flushed.

Don said I do not recall when the hydrants were flushed, in December it was just getting worse. They can flush it once, it will clear up for a while, and other times chunks of dirt come out. The bottom of the shower is where you see it most. We have to constantly scrub it or the stains will not come out.

Mayor Brescia asked where it dead ends, on your street or Weaver?

Don said it dead ends on Water's Edge.

Dennis said someone comes to the pumping station every day, I know there is something that they do. It is back off of Dunn Pond.

Mayor Brescia said he checks the wells daily.

Dennis said in a snow storm they are out there.

Mayor Brescia said again, he will talk to Buddy who would normally be here tonight. He is working on a sewage failure at a pump station on Rolling Meadows. We might have to spend some money on it unfortunately. It might be tough to loop it but we will definitely look at it.

Dennis said we had a problem with our lights going out; that little subdivision goes to Maybrook. There is a substation in Maybrook that is where our power comes from. We lose power all the time, now that is not a Village Problem.

Mayor Brescia said Pleasant Avenue and that area loses power more than most of the Village.

Dennis said it doesn't anymore because I have a generator.

Trustee Lindner asked if was reported to Central Hudson.

Dennis said we have had Central Hudson Vice President out there. It was said sorry, we are doing everything we can. They have more money than God, let me tell you.

Mayor Brescia said I wonder with this new line they are putting in, it is going to help at all. Let me speak with Buddy there may be a more expensive option we are going to

have to take. I know we do plan on replacing that line on Pleasant but after doing a couple of other things, which was a \$300,000 line on Weaver, it is not cheap as you can tell. We will seriously look at it.

**RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board entered EXECUTIVE SESSION at 7:54 pm under Public Officers Law §7(e) to discuss the PBA contract pursuant to the Taylor Law with Police Chief Walsh, Village Clerk Rivera-Stanley, and Atty. Dowd executive session under Section E of the collective bargaining meeting law Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board went out of EXECUTIVE SESSION at 8:00 pm. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

**RE: ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board adjourned the meeting of January 6, 2015 at 8:01 pm. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

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Monserate Rivera-Stanley, Village Clerk