

Minutes of 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 Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 7:30 pm.

Present: Mayor Brescia, Deputy Mayor Scheels, Trustee Andolsek, Trustee Hembury (absent), Trustee Lindner, Atty. Dowd, Village Clerk Rivera-Fernandez, DPW Supt. Nelson, Police Chief Walsh, Lieutenant Herlihy, Treasurer Griffith, Maria Beltrametti, Johanna Sweikata, Don Berger, Jaspreet Gill

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

RE: MINUTES

Mayor Brescia called for a motion to approve the minutes of September 19th.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board approved the meeting minutes of September 19, 2017. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

RE: ABSTRACT NO. 09-2017

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, all bills listed on ABSTRACT NO.09-2017 were audited and approved for payment with \$200,957.99 from the General Fund, \$8,932.44 from the Water Fund, \$25,783.36 from the Sewer Fund and totaling \$235,673.79. Check No: 75231- 75279, 1024 - 1065. Motion carried 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

Treasurer Griffith reported a CASH BALANCE for the month of September 29, 2017, as follows: General Fund \$2,512,498.16, Water Fund \$404,056.27, Sewer Fund \$534,177.71.

RE: POLICE DEPARTEMNT REPORTS

Police Chief Walsh asked the Board to surplus two police vehicles, V#430 which is the 2004 Ford Taurus and V#433 which is the 2001 Ford Taurus, due to both having blown transmissions. In addition, he suggests that vehicle #423, 2004 Ford Explorer be taken off the road for patrol purposes. It is no longer serviceable for patrols, Buddy has voiced an interest in it, to be used for the cleaner. The cleaner currently is using the Jeep which is very run down. He also mentioned not having any crimes reported on General Montgomery Day, it was a good day. The only encounter was with the Right to Life vendor. Mayor Brescia stated the Right to Life vendor was out longer than expected due to children in the immediate area. Several complaints letters were received about their booth. The General Montgomery Day Committee will be having a discussion about this particular vendor. Police Chief Walsh continued to report on wrapping up our Governors Traffic Safety, Selective Traffic Enforcement Program Grant. We utilized the fifty two hours or the \$2,296.00 and issued sixty two tickets total, of which thirty six were for cell phone violations, only eight were for speeding. If your remember, I previously mentioned having funds left over from the grant, therefore, we targeted the school zone area, due to school being in session. Two school zone tickets were issued during that time period, under the grant funding. The officers are finding the bulk of the violations are for cell phone usage that falls within the grant criteria. Mayor Brescia asks that designated speed directives be set up on Route 211, Rolling Meadows, on Wavey Willow and other areas. The DOT has not followed through on the speed reduction into the Village. Police Chief had nothing more to report with the exception of two individuals to be interviewed.

Mayor Brescia called for a motion to place the 2001 and the 2004 Ford Taurus police vehicles out to bid with a minimum price of \$300.00 for each.

RE: PLACE TWO POLICE VEHICLE OUT TO BID WITH A RESERVED AMOUNT.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board authorized Police Chief Walsh to place the 2001 and 2004 Ford Taurus out bid with a minimum price of \$300.00 for each. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0- Nays, 1-Absent.

RE: DPW DEPARTMENT REPORTS

DPW Supt. Nelson reported that the paving of Wallkill and Senior Street is now complete, the catch basin were rebuilt. The Pilot Study at Holt Well is complete, AdEdge will have all the paperwork for Lanc and Tully to be submitted to the Health Department, tentatively on Thursday or Friday. Lanc & Tully have been informed and asked to get it forwarded to the County as soon as possible. He had nothing else to report except the payment approval for Sita Construction.

RE: FINANCE REPORTS

Treasurer Griffith stated finding the means in which to capture three years of detailed accounting history from the Springbrook software before the completed conversion to the Edmunds software at the cost of \$900.00. Mayor Brescia said that is a very reasonable over the previous amount presented. Treasurer Griffith asked for the Board to approve the use of the Recreation Center for OSC to host training for the various municipalities and several of our employees will be able to attend at no cost.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board approved the cost of \$900.00 to capture three years of detailed accounting history from the Springbrook software prior to the final Edmunds software conversion. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

RE: APPROVE OSC USE OF THE RECREATION CENTER FOR TRAINING

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board approved OSC, use of the Recreation Center to host training for the various municipalities in April and September of 2018 with the conditions upon providing a certificate of insurance, listing the Village as the additional insured. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

RE: APPROVE PAYMENT #2 TO SITA CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$116,897.50 FOR THE CLINTON STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT TO BE PAID NO LATER THAN SEVEN DAYS AFTER THE VILLAGE RECEIVES THE CDBG FUNDS AS PER THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT.

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board approved payment #2 to Sita Construction in the amount of \$116,897.50 for the Clinton Street Water Main Replacement to be paid no later than seven days after the Village receives the CDBG funds as per the contract agreement. Motion carried 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1- absent.

RE: MONTGOMERY CUB SCOUT PACK 30 REQUEST USE OF THE SENIOR CENTER

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board approved use of the Senior Center by the Montgomery Cub Scout Pack 30 on Sunday, October 29th from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm for their Halloween party, on Friday, December 8th from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm for their Christmas party, and on Friday, February 9th from 6:00 pm to 9:00 to set up for the Pinewood Derby on Saturday, February 10th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm, with a snow date on Sunday, February 11th

from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm, as granted previously at no cost with a certificate of insurance provided, listing the Village as additionally insured. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

RE: BID OPENING RESULTS FOR THE STP SLUDGE HAULING

- A. Synagro Northeast, LLC. \$115.00 / Ton
- B. Luzon Environmental Services \$120.25 / Ton
- C. Spectraserv, Inc. \$ 149.00 / Ton

RE: AWARD STP SLUDGE HAULING BID TO: SYNAGRO NORTHEAST, LLC. AT \$115.00 / TON

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board awarded the STP Sludge Hauling Bid to the lowest bidder, Synagro Northeast, LLC at \$115.00 / Ton for 3 years with a CPI increase for the second and third year of the contract, with the possibility of extension if both the Village and the hauler agree. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

RE: RESIDENT OF 219 CARDINAL DRIVE SEEKS WATER/SEWER PENALTY WAIVED

Mayor Brescia called for a motion to approve the water/sewer penalty for the resident of 219 Cardinal Drive to be waived. He asked the Clerk to send a letter stating this will be a one-time occurrence and please inform them of when the water/sewer payments are due. DPW Supt. Nelson mentioned reviewing the account history, the resident has always been in good standing, with not late payments.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board approved to waive the Water/Sewer penalty for the resident of 219 Cardinal Drive, only once with a letter to be sent detailing when payments are due. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

RE: VILLAGE OFFICE IS CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF COLUMBUS DAY

Village Hall will be closed on Monday, October 9th in Observation of Columbus Day.

RE: EVENTS AND SERVICES

Mayor Brescia asked the Village Clerk to launch a generic CodeRed message for the Hydrant Flushing and the Leaf Pick Up, spacing them apart. He will be sending out another for the Village Wide Yard Sale also.

Saturday, October 7th Village Wide Yard Sale

Hydrant Flushing begins on Monday, October 16th through Friday, October 27th

Candlelight Ghost Tour, Saturday, October 21st, 7 pm at the Village Hall, tickets are \$5.00

Trick or Treat, Tuesday, October 31st from 6 pm to 8 pm

Leaf Pick Up begins on Tuesdays October 31st through December 5th, bagged and curbside by 7:00 am.

RE: APPROVE LEAVE EXTENSION FOR DEPUTY TREASURER PALMIERI

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board approved to extend the 28 hours of vacation leave time to be used by December 29, 2017. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

Trustee Lindner mentioned the schedule for the Movie Nights to be held at the Senior Center on Friday, November 3rd, December 1st and January 12th, several businesses have agreed to be sponsors for this program. Eric the DJ has volunteered to run the projector for the movies. Mayor Brescia suggested testing the projector prior the event and obtain the necessary training from Foreman Ford as well.

RE: PUBLIC PORTION

Mr. Berger expressed his concerns about the conditions of the little league fields, the end field is hard. The ball fields should be soft and better equipped for the children playing softball. He asked, who is in charge of the maintenance of the ball fields? DPW Supt. Nelson replied, the Little League maintains the ball fields. Gary Demaris cuts the grass and uses the DPW mover. Mayor Brescia said, you can ask Little League to purchase the equipment to make the ground softer. We may consider providing assistance if we have funds left over in Money In Lieu Of Parkland (MILOP) when some of the developments start. Trustee Lindner mentioned in the past the parents would assist and work on the fields also. Check with the high school maintenance crew for tips on the process. Atty. Dowd said a mixture of sand and clay is used, however, the balance of both materials, is what makes the difference.

Ms. Beltrametti expressed her thoughts on the answer she received regarding the salaries, that excuse was lame. Mayor Brescia said he would not entertain this, it was addressed at the last meeting.

Mayor Brescia called for a motion to enter into Executive session under section (f) of the open meetings law for matters leading to a possible appointment, with Atty. Dowd, Police Chief Walsh, Lieutenant Herlihy and the Village Clerk Rivera-Fernandez in attendance.

RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board entered Executive Session at 7:55 pm under section (f) of the open meetings law for a matters leading to a possible appointment, with Atty. Dowd, Police Chief Walsh, Lieutenant Herlihy and the Village Clerk Rivera-Fernandez in attendance. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

Interviewee Nicole M. Morrissey entered into Executive Session at 8:04 pm and exited Executive Session at 8:08 pm.

Interviewee Siara Larenn Rios entered into Executive Session at 8:09 pm and exited Executive Session at 8:13 pm.

Police Chief Walsh and Lieutenant Herlihy exited Executive Session at 8:49 pm and reconvened Executive Session at 8:56 pm

RE: EXITED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board Exited Executive Session at 8:57 pm. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

RE: APPOINTED TWO PART TIME POLICE OFFICERS

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board appointed Nicole M. Morrissey and Siara Larenn Rios as Part Time Police Officers with a one year probationary period and under the conditions of the CBA. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board adjourned the meeting of October 3, 2017 at 8:59 pm. Motion carried, 4-Ayes, 0-Nays, 1-Absent.

Monserrate Rivera-Fernandez, Village Clerk