

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Montgomery held in the Meeting Room at 133 Clinton Street, Montgomery, NY 12549 on Tuesday, **February 16, 2010** at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Brescia, Deputy Mayor Scheels, Trustee Andolsek, Trustee Hembury, Trustee Roepe; OIC John Luffman; Johanna Sweikata; Jason & Amy Doce; Richard DeGroat; John Ingrassia; Eric Grzeszczak; Karen DeCrosta; Tom Steed; Wallkill Valley Times Reporter.

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

RE: MINUTES

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board accepted the minutes of February 2, 2010. Motion carried 5- AYE, 0-NAY vote.

Moved by Trustee Roepe, seconded by Trustee Andolsek the Board accepted the minutes of the special meeting held on February 5, 2010 with Mayor Brescia, Trustee Andolsek and Trustee Roepe voting AYE and Deputy Mayor Scheels and Trustee Hembury abstained. Motion carried.

REQUEST TO MEET WITH BOARD

Karen DeCrosta (168 Waters Edge) discussed the issue she has with the dirty water. She stated she has lived in the Village over 20 years and lately the water has been dirty quite often. She mentioned the washing machine had to be repaired because of the sediments in the water clogged the line and asked what is causing this to happen. She asked which well supplies the Water Edge area.

Mayor Brescia advised they are not quite sure which well supplies the water in that area but said the matter of brown water had come up a few meetings ago. It could be the tuberculation in the lines and explained that DPW Supt. Nelson is working with an environmental consultants and the OCDOH on a new procedure that could help the situation by adding a chemical to coat the lines. Trustee Roepe explained how the lines are coated so that none of the buildup on the inside of the pipe comes off.

Mayor Brescia advised we are looking at a grant to replace the old line on Weaver Street which in turn could possibly help the situation in your area. After contacting Community Development they said we probably will not know until the end of March if we can get the grant.

Eric Grzeszczak (166 Waters Edge) brought a sample of the water that is coming out of the pipes and asked if the Village could have it tested because they drink and bathe in it.

Mayor Brescia said the DPW can put a home filter on the water line now and hopefully that will take care of it for now. Other residents in that area have had a filter installed and

they do not seem to complain about the brown water as much. We will mention to DPW Supt. Nelson to have the water tested. By the end of March the Village Board should know about the grant to replace the watermain on Weaver Street. Trustee Roepe asked as a resident of that area if a well is not used all the time if there was a possibility of sediment happening. Mayor Brescia responded saying it could but we will ask DPW Supt. Nelson at the next meeting as he attends the first meeting of each month.

RE: GENERAL ELECTION – MARCH 16 2010

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board adopted a Resolution designating the following name, address & term of office for candidate for the Village General Election being held on March 16, 2010:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>TERM</u>
David G. Roepe	41 Union Street	Village Justice	4 years

The resolution was adopted with Mayor Brescia, Deputy Mayor Scheels, Trustee Andolsek and Trustee Hembury voting AYE and Trustee Roepe abstained. Motion carried.

RE: BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Hembury, the Board authorized Treasurer Benedict to make budget transfers as follows:

<u>Amount:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
\$3,749.04	1990.000A (Contingency)	1980.400A (MTA Commuter Tax)
250.00	8010.120A (ZBA Sec’y)	8030.120A (AHRB Sec’y)
66.00	8340.400F (Water T&A Cont)	1980.400F (MTA Commuter Tax)
40.79	1990.000G (Contingency)	1980.400G (MTA Commuter Tax)

AND: Increase both 2001A (concern donations) and 7270A (Band Concerts) by \$2,800. Motion carried.

RE: CLOSING MAYBROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

After a discussion, the Board will convey to the Valley Central School Board its concern and opposition to the proposal to consider closing the Maybrook Elementary School. Mayor Brescia and the Board feels it would better serve the communities if more evenly-balanced, across-the-board cuts can be made without closing a school. Mayor Brescia directed Atty. Dowd to draft a letter with the Board’s concern.

RE: AHRB GUIDELINES

Mayor Brescia stated he and the Board feel a little more work is needed on the sign guidelines before presenting the changes to the public. Once that is done then the local law can be introduced and a public hearing held.

RE: 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTGOMERY

Mayor Brescia stated the Village will be celebrating its 200th birthday this year. The celebration will kickoff with a birthday party on the original day of incorporation on February 17th at the Senior Center and the public is welcomed. The committee has completed a brochure with many events planned throughout the year. The brochure is available in area businesses. The Village's webpage (villageofmontgomery@hvc.rr.com) has more information available. Also, the special webpage (bicentennial.com) has been setup for the celebration. It will have pictures and stories throughout the year.

PUBLIC PORTION

Richard DeGroat (87 Roosevelt Ave.) asked the Board to consider placing a stop sign on Goodwill Road at the intersection of Roosevelt Avenue. He went on to explain in the years he has lived there he has seen a child killed and a dog killed in that area. It is difficult backing out of the driveway. Also, Mr. DeGroat said he had recommended to the Board to consider installing a net by the ball field next to the dog park to prevent accidents from balls flying over the fence.

Mayor Brescia and the Board advised Mr. DeGroat they will have OIC Luffman and DPW Supt. Nelson look into the stop sign request and make a recommendation to the Board. As far as the net by the ball field, DPW Supt. Nelson will be looking into it to see what can be done and they thanked Mr. DeGroat for bringing it to their attention.

RE: CH TRANSMISSION LINE UPGRADE

John Ingrassia (Tompkins Road) presented a draft letter to the Board asking Central Hudson for an independent environmental impact study to be done in those areas of the village where homes are close to the transmission line.

Upon review of the letter by the Board, Mayor Brescia and the Board accepted the draft letter that will be sent to Central Hudson from the Village Board asking for an independent EIS to be done if the project should go forward.

Moved by Trustee Hembury, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board approved of a letter from the Village Board to be sent to Central Hudson asking for an independent environmental impact study to be done in those areas of the village where homes are close to the transmission line upgrade if the project goes forward. Motion carried 5-AYES, 0-NAYS vote.

RE: ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Roepe, seconded by Trustee Hembury, the Board adjourned the meeting at 7: 55 pm. Motion carried 5-AYES, 0-NAYS vote.

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board reconvened the meeting at 8:03 p.m. Motion carried 5-AYES, 0-NAYS vote.

Atty. Dowd reported after speaking with NYCOM, there are civil service titles that may be used in the police department. The Board discussed the possible civil service titles and how the different titles may be compensated and to be in conformity with the union contract.

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Trustee Hembury, the Board adjourned the meeting at 8:14 pm. Motion carried 5-AYES, 0-NAYS vote.

Village Clerk Linda L. Thompson