

MINUTES of the Public Hearing and Regular meetings of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Montgomery, held in the Meeting Room, 133 Clinton Street, Montgomery, NY 12549, on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, at 7:00pm.

PRESENT: Mayor Hembury, Deputy Mayor Andolsek, Trustee Picarello, Trustee Conero, Trustee Wilbur, Atty. Will Frank, Deputy Village Clerk Murphy, Mary Lippincott, Don Berger, Margeret Bussigel, Sophia Romano, Rose Picarello, Emily Picarello, Mark Palczewski, James Kiernan, Walt & Claire Pahucki, Fred & Marguerite Flood, Theresa Gabrynowicz, Anne Lavelle, Terry Caffery, Rob Saladin, Ray Leddy, Lori & Vic Polesel, Bibi Latif, Karen DeCrosta, Brian Maher, Maire Garrido, Rita & Bob Santo, John Tracey, Betsy Diaz, Diane LaVolpe, Erik & Anita Mattsen, Tom Steed, Cynthia Nokland, Douglas Hantusch, Karina Tipton, Sibyl Librandi, Lillian & Peter Kurisko, Carol Freeman, Jamie & John Furey, Elizabeth Setteducato, Hilda Folchi, Acquisitions Marketing Videographer Jose Rojas.

CALL TO ORDER

PUBLIC HEARING

OPEN THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTERS 80 AND 83 OF THE VILLAGE CODE.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Andolsek, seconded by Trustee Picarello, the Board motioned to open the public hearing for a local law amending Chapters 80 and 83 of the Village Code. Motion carried 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Public comment was open, and these items were raised:

- The public feels it is not needed; is vague and problematic.
- The police will offer help and assistance.

Approximately, an hour was spent discussing adding two words to an already existing local law.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Moved by Trustee Conero, seconded by Trustee Wilbur, the Board motioned to close the public hearing, subject to specific language to Chapters 80 & 83, while still accepting public comment, in writing, until October 15, 2024. Motion carried 4-Ayes, 1-Nay (Trustee Picarello).

OPEN REGULAR MEETING

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER RENEWING M&R ENERGY RESOURCE CORPORATION CONTRACT.

Michele Ries, representing M&R Energy Resource Corporation, stated that the Village's current contract is running out and she is there to ask for renewal. She will provide updated rates to the Board, via email, for the next meeting on October 15, 2024.

APPROVE DPW SUPT. HENRY’S REQUEST TO ATTEND PUBLIC WORKS TRAINING SCHOOL IN SARATOGA SPRINGS FROM OCTOBER 20-23, 2024, AT A COST OF \$1,052.00.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Andolsek, seconded by Trustee Conero, the Board motioned to approve DPW Supt. Henry’s request to attend Public Works Training School in Saratoga Spring from October 20-24, 2024, at a cost of \$1,052.00. Motioned carried 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

CONSIDER AUTHORIZING TRUSTEE CONERO TO SEND A LETTER OF INTENT TO NYS HOME & COMMUNITY RENEWAL AGENCY TO BECOME A PRO-HOUSING COMMUNITY.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Andolsek, seconded by Trustee Picarello, the Board motioned to authorize Trustee Conero to send a letter of intent to NYS Home & Community Renewal Agency to become a pro-housing community. Motion carried 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

CONSIDER CHANGING THE STREAMING PLATFORM FROM FACEBOOK TO YOUTUBE.

Trustee Conero added that this change will allow those that are not on Facebook to view the Village Trustee meetings.

Moved by Trustee Wilbur, seconded by Deputy Mayor Andolsek, the Board motioned to change the official streaming platform from Facebook to YouTube. Motion carried 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

CONSIDER ALLOWING CUB SCOUT PACK 4030 CONTINUED USE OF THE REC CENTER ON TUESDAY EVENINGS FROM 6PM-8PM.

Moved by Trustee Picarello, seconded by Deputy Mayor Andolsek, the Board motioned to allow Cub Scout Pack 4030 continued use of the rec center on Tuesday evenings from 6pm-8pm.

CONSIDER TURNING OFF THE LIGHTS AT THE PICKLEBALL COURTS ON BACHELOR STREET DURING WINTER MONTHS.

This is tabled until the October 15, 2024, meeting.

REPORT – DEPARTMENTS – BOARD – COMMITTEES

DPW Supt. Henry: The senior center sidewalks are complete; blacktopping will begin by the end of the week. The chipper is not working. Leaf pickup will begin in November. Holt Well-they are awaiting approval to start using it.

Chief Herlihy: Speed sign is at the elementary school. DOT enforcement is up by Officer Kolvenbach. 415 UTTs summons issued. Mahoney assisted an ill resident, Blackford & Kolvenbach handled a suicidal issue, Guarneiri conducted CPR at a wedding, an electric scooter was retrieved by Briere and Kolvenbach and Blackford and Kolvenbach detained an emotionally disturbed person, after a short foot pursuit, who was throwing rocks at the patrol car.

REQUEST TO MEET THE BOARD (Discussion limited to 3 mins.)

Several residents expressed concerns and remarks.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Trustee Conero, seconded by Trustee Wilbur, the Board motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:50pm. Motion carried 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Tina Murphy, Deputy Village Clerk