

VILLAGE OF MONTICELLO BOARD MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 2, 2015

President LaVerne Crooks called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present: LaVerne Crooks, Rene Nicholson, Teresa Dunlap, Greg Bettin, Larry Strause, Robert Harvey, Doreen O'Brien

Absent: None

Also present: Clerk DaNean Naeger, Brian Grossen – PW Supervisor

Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Dunlap, seconded by Nicholson and carried by voice vote to approve the agenda.

A motion was made by Strause, seconded by O'Brien and carried by voice vote to approve the minutes of the August 19, 2015 regular board meeting.

Hearings, public appearance & citizen comments: None

Committee Reports

Robert Harvey Finance Report –

- a) Motion made by Harvey to approve Sept invoices CKS# 33896-33897; 33928 + Manual; 33900-33927 in the amount of \$133,565.43. Seconded by Nicholson. Motion carried.
- b) Motion made by Harvey to approve Sept payroll Vouchers #V579-603 & CKS#33898-33899 in the amount of \$14,240.73. Seconded by Nicholson. Motion carried.
- c) Motion made by Harvey to approve operator licenses to Corey Steinbach. Seconded by Nicholson. Motion carried.

Doreen O'Brien Personnel Report – None

Teresa Dunlap Public Works Report: Committee will discuss whether the Village should continue in the membership with the Transfer station in Sept.

- a) Motion made by Dunlap to allow Randy Flescher to remove sidewalk located at 321 E Coates Ave on South side of Avenue (it is not connected to another property's sidewalk and goes 'nowhere'. Seconded by O'Brien. Motion carried.
- b) Motion made by Dunlap to hire Liquid Engineering to do early inspection, minor repairs (\$3,000) and replace anodes (labor \$3,185 – anodes purchased from Cady in the amount of \$4,865) at both towers at a total cost of \$11,380. Seconded by Strause. Motion carried. Five year inspection will be done 6-8 months early but corrosion has already set in. The towers will not be required to be drained.
- c) Motion made by Dunlap to purchase a Public Works used handheld radio to not exceed \$200. Seconded by O'Brien. Motion carried. Total cost will be split between all three funds.

Larry Strause Public Safety: Wristbands will be looked into. Recommended putting \$8,000 in outlay for a vehicle and \$4,000 for equipment. 356 cases YTD.

Larry Strause Library: Survey has been completed of the Library property. Looking at possibly purchasing the property behind the shed to the crick. The tree that was planted is not on Village property.

Larry Strause Fire: Noted budget would remain the same as in 2015.

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Rene Nicholson Park & Rec – None

Administrative Report by DaNean Naeger. Litewire is up and running and so Board members can refer residents to them for internet service. Three months tower lease has been paid. Clerk provided information on the League of Wisconsin Municipality Annual Conference that will be held October 28-30 in Milwaukee.

- a) Gardiner Appraisal Service Contract. Motion made by Dunlap to approve Gardiner Appraisal Service Contract in the amount of \$4,100 for years 2016-2018. Seconded by Strause. Motion carried. Village has had Gardiner Appraisal Service since 1989. Fee remains the same as the past three years.

President's Report by LaVerne Crooks: Indicated he appreciated the hard work the committees have been doing at their meetings. Plan Commission will be holding a public meeting on Monday, September 28th at 6 p.m. to discuss the Comprehensive Plan.

Unfinished Business

- a) PSC Water Rate Increase. Auditor indicated the water rate increase for the 2016 test year at the recommended rate of return the PSC is suggesting (5.31%) would be a 30% average increase. That would increase the public fire protection from the \$88,174 that the General Fund is currently paying the water utility. If the Village requests that the \$88,174 not increase, it would be about a 45% increase to water utility customers. If the public fire protection charge of \$88,174 increases, that would have to fall within the levy limit so you would have about \$25,000 to \$30,000 increase which would have to be funded by reducing other General Fund expenditures. PSC could come in with a lower rate. Motion made by Strause to go along with the 45% increase with the PSC consideration of a lower public fire protection rate. Seconded by Bettin. Motion carried.

New Business

- a) Motion made by Dunlap Resolution #2015-0902 Exempting the Village of Monticello from the Payment of the Green County Library Tax – 2016. Seconded by Nicholson. Motion carried unanimously via roll call vote.
- b) Motion made by Dunlap to approve applying for the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program for N Monroe St. Seconded by O'Brien. Motion carried.
- c) Omitted (Per Engineer, sewer portion of N Monroe St is so little is not worth applying for the Clean Water Loan Program.)
- d) Motion made by Dunlap to approve On-Line Submittal Authorization Certificate to Delta 3 on behalf of the Village to submit the ITA for the Safe Drinking Water Loan Program. Seconded by O'Brien. Motion carried.
- e) Motion made by Dunlap to approve CCJ application for payment No. 4 on Well House #1 project in the amount of \$48,992.91. Seconded by Harvey. Motion carried. Bart Nies will be in attendance at the next board meeting to go over the final payment request and discuss N Monroe St reconstruction. Items that remain to be done on Well#1 include outside lighting, LW Allen to hook up intrusion alarm, injection pumps are leaking, and light cover is broken. Change orders include changing gas line and putting in a wash sink.

Adjourn

A motion was made by Dunlap, seconded by Nicholson to adjourn at 7:38 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by DaNean Naeger, Village Clerk/Treasurer