Minutes of the Regular Meeting, of the Board of Trustees, of the Village of Montgomery, was held in the Meeting Room, at 133 Clinton Street, Montgomery, NY 12549, on Tuesday, November 15, 2022, at 7:30 pm.

Present: Mayor Brescia, Deputy Mayor Scheels, Trustee Andolsek, Trustee Hembury, Trustee Lindner, Atty. Will Frank, Village Clerk Rivera-Fernandez, Maria Beltrametti, Don Berger.

RE: CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

**MINUTES** 

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Hembury, the Board approved the minutes of November 1, 2022. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

REQUEST TO MEET WITH THE BOARD

None

**RE: OLD BUSINESS** 

#### VETERANS DAY FLAGS AND WELCOMING NEW RESIDENTS

Trustee Hembury mentioned 500 American flags were handed out on Veterans Day, at Veterans Corner. He suggested signs be posted for the day, to say no donations will be accepted, this is a free event.

Furthermore, the Village Board welcomed 9 new residets, of which 7 were home to received their welcome packet. Again, all have mentioned why they choose to live here and the consensus is low crime.

#### DOT TRUCK TRAFFIC REROUTING

Trustee Lindner said the Department of Transportation (DOT) have acknowledged our request, on the truck route in the Village and the Town of Montgomery.

NYSDOT requires performance of a Traffic Impact Study that includes a review and discussion of safety impacts, a review and discussion of socioeconomic impacts, and analysis of environmental justice impacts.

Following the submission of a satisfactory, NYSDOT will provide the Village of Montgomery and the Town of Montgomery with a determination to the request of the Truck By-Pass proposal and the oversized/overweight vehicle restriction.

## DPW SUPT. NELSON OBTAINED THREE QUOTES FOR THE WWTP CLARIFIER

- a. Environmental Consultants LLC. \$18,400.00
- b. Joe the Plumber Plus, Inc. \$ 24,600.00
- c. Tam Enterprises \$ 24,623.00

Mayor Brescia stated DPW Supt. Nelson suggested the Board to accept the Environmental Consultants LLC, quote in the amount of \$18,400.00, for the WWTP clarifier.

## APPROVE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, LLC QUOTE FOR THE WWTP CLARIFIER

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Trustee Lindner, the Board approved Environmental Consultants, LLC quote at \$18,400.00, for the WWTP Clarifier. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

**RE: NEW BUSINESS** 

APPROVE THE ROAD CLOSURES ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2022, FROM 9 AM TO 5:30 PM, FOR THE OLD-FASHIONED HOLIDAY EVENT

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Trustee Hembury, the Board approved the road closures on Clinton Street from Union Street to Railroad Avenue, Fought Street & Wallkill Avenue from 17K to Charles Street, as well as the Municipal Parking Lot, on Saturday, December 10, 2022, beginning at 9 am to 5:30 pm, for the Old-Fashioned Holiday Event. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

CONSIDER APPROVING EDMUNDS PROPOSAL FOR AN OFF-SITE SERVER FOR THE FINANCIAL PROGRAM AT THE ANNUAL COST OF \$5,000.00

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board approved the Edmunds proposal for an off-site server, for the financial system program at the cost of \$5,000.00 annually. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

CONSIDER APPROVING THE REVISED HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT FOR THE VILLAGE OF MONTGOMERY, FOR ALL VILLAGE BUSINESSES WITH EXTERIOR SIGNS, SUCH AS HANGING SIGNS AND SANDWICH SIGNS AND ANY ENCROACHMENTS ON VILLAGE PROPERTY

Moved by Deputy Mayor Scheels, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board approved the revised Hold Harmless Agreement for the Village of Montgomery, for all Village Businesses with exterior signs, such as hanging signs and sandwich signs, and any encroachments on Village property. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

VILLAGE HALL IS CLOSED, NOVEMBER  $24^{th}$  AND  $25^{th}$ , IN OBSERVANCE OF THANKSGIVING AND BLACK FRIDAY

Village Hall is closed November 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> in observance of Thanksgiving & Black Friday.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING OF TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> HAS BEEN CHANGED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 PM AND WILL BE JOINT MEETING WITH THE TOWN OF MONTGOMERY, HELD AT THE SENIOR CENTER, 36 BRIDGE STREET, MONTGOMERY, NY 12549

Board of Trustee Regular Meeting of Tuesday, December 6th has been changed to be held on Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 pm & will be a Joint Meeting with the Town of Montgomery, held at the Senior Center, 36 Bridge Street, Montgomery, NY 12549.

CONSIDER PROMOTING MICHAEL PAGNOTTA TO MEO 1, EFFECTIVE AS OF NOVEMBER 21, 2022.

Moved by Trustee Andolsek, seconded by Deputy Mayor Scheels, the Board promoted Michael Pagnotta to MEO 1, effective November 21, 2022. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

**EVENTS & SERVICES** 

Leaf Pick-Up continues through December 6<sup>th</sup>, leaves must be bagged and placed at curbside, by 7:00 am. Old Fashioned Holiday, December 10<sup>th</sup>, begins at 9:30 am to 5:30 pm.

House Decorating Contest, Sunday, December 11th, 6 pm to 9 pm.

Operation Toy Train, Toys for Tots in conjunction with the Middletown & New Jersey Railroad, will be rolling into the Village of Montgomery on Sunday, December 11, 2022, at 46 Railroad Avenue, from 12:45 pm to 1:55 pm. (All toys collected will go to the U.S. Marine Corp. Reserve Toys for Tots Foundation for distribution).

In addition, a collection box is available to drop off an unwrapped toy, in the lobby of the Village Hall, if anyone is not able to attending the event.

# **PUBLIC PORTION**

Ms. Beltrametti mentioned reviewing the audit report and expressed her continued concerns regarding the bonds. However, she did not see the response to the Board and would like to review it.

Atty. Will Frank said we will agree to disagree on the subject of the bonds. The audit response letter will have to be redacted of any sensitive information that is not public information and made available afterwards.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Trustee Lindner, seconded by Trustee Andolsek, the Board adjourned the meeting of November 15, 2022 7:45 pm. Motion carried, 5-Ayes, 0-Nays.

Monserrate Rivera-Fernandez, Village Clerk