



Village of Harriman

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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

April 11, 2023

7:00PM – AUDIT BILLS

7:25PM – PUBLIC HEARING – 2023-2024 Budget

7:30PM – REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

- 1. ROLL CALL – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 15, 2023 & April 4, 2023**
- 3. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**
- 4. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**
- 5. RESIGNATION – Part- Time Court Clerk Anna Hennelly**
- 6. RESIGNATION – Part- Time Court Clerk Diana Kesten**
- 7. WATER DEPARTMENT TRAINING REQUEST – HVWWC Conference**
- 8. VILLAGE CLERK TRAINING REQUEST – OC-Human Resources**
- 9. 2023-2024 BUDGET**
- 10. WATER SHUT-OFFS**
- 11. WATER AND MAINTENANCE RELEVY**
- 12. WATER ACCOUNT REQUESTS – a) 397-426**
- 13. PARK APPLICATION REQUESTS – a) Greene**
- 14. OC PLANNING IMA – GML-239 Referrals**
- 15. USDA IGA AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN**
- 16. SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING - Repeal LL 2023-02 – Tax Cap Override**
- 17. BUDGET TRANSFERS AND ADJUSTMENTS**
- 18. ATTORNEY COMMENT**
- 19. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 20. POSSIBLE MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

PLANNING BOARD MEETING:	April 17, 2023
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING:	May 03, 2023
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING:	May 09, 2023

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7:00pm – Audit Bills
7:30pm – Regular Meeting

PUBLIC HEARING:
Mayor read:

Pursuant to Section §5-508 of the Village Law of the State of New York, the tentative budget for the Village of Harriman has been prepared and filed with the Village Clerk at the Village Office, 12 Church Street, Harriman, New York, where it may be examined by all interested persons between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Said tentative budget includes a maximum compensation for the mayor of \$25,000 per year and for the Trustees of \$7,766.53 per year.

A summary of the tentative budget is as follows:

GENERAL FUND	\$3,452,174
WATER FUND	\$1,668,292

A Public Hearing on the budget will be held at 12 Church Street, Harriman, New York on April 11th at 7:25 p.m. to consider same before final adoption.

Mayor asked did we have any written comments?

Clerk replied no

Mayor asked any comment from the public?

No Public Comments.

MOTION to close the Public Hearing was made by Deputy Mayor Schneider. **SECOND** by Trustee Mitchell

REGULAR MEETING:

ROLL CALL

Mayor Lou Medina, Deputy Mayor Carol Schneider, Trustee Wayne Mitchell, Trustee Sandra Daly, Trustee Bruce Chichester, Attorney, Dave Darwin, DPW Superintendent, Kyle Livsey, Village Clerk, Jane Leake, Chief, Patrick Tenaglia

ABSENT NONE

ALSO, PRESENT – Planning Board Chairperson, Irma Escallier

The Mayor asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor asked if there are any changes or corrections to the minutes of March 15, 2023, Regular Board Meeting?

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Schneider to accept the minutes of March 15, 2023, Regular Board Meeting.

SECOND was made by Trustee Mitchell

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AYE: Mayor Medina
Deputy Mayor Schneider
Trustee Mitchell
Trustee Chichester – Abstained
Trustee Daly - Abstained

Mayor asked if there are any changes or corrections to the minutes of April 4, 2023, Re-Org Meeting?
MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to accept the minutes of February 21, 2023, Re-Org Meeting.
SECOND was made by Deputy Mayor Schneider

AYE: Trustee Chichester
Trustee Daly
Deputy Mayor Schneider
Trustee Mitchell - Abstained

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

This evening's bills were audited:

Trust & Agency	\$ 14,575.85
General Fund	\$ 100,861.40
Water Fund	\$ 127,773.59
Engineering Fees	\$ 675.96

- Up Coming Meeting Dates:
 - Planning Board – April 17, 2023 – cancelled due to no applicants
 - Zoning Board of Appeals – April 12, 2023 & May 3, 2023
 - Village Board – May 9, 2023
- Village Office hours are 8am–4pm and by appointment from 7-8am. Phone numbers and contact information can be found on the villageofharriman.org website.
- A lockbox is also available outside the Village Hall entrance for dropping off water payments for the Water Department or fines and tickets to be dropped off outside of Court hours. We ask that you do not leave any cash payments in the lockbox.
- Residents and the public can sign up on the Village website to receive email alerts about Village Information, Community Events, and Information regarding Water Billing Dates.
- Brush Pick up continues - we ask that you place brush, untied, at the edge of your property with the butt end facing out. Please do not place on the street and we do not accept grass clippings.
- Village Elections were held last month - Congratulations to Trustees Mitchell and Schneider for their re-election and to Judge Bruce Schonberg elected Village Justice. Thank you for your commitment to the Village and our residents. And thank you for the residents who came out to vote.
- The Deputy Mayor, Trustee Chichester, and I attended the MJFD Annual Inspection Dinner on April 1st. We were privileged to be invited to honor our volunteer fire fighters and first responders.
- We also attended the 2nd Annual Town of Monroe Open House last month along with Trustee Mitchell, Chief Tenaglia, and PB Chairwoman and Historian Irma Escallier.
- The Annual Clean Sweep is on Earth Day, Saturday April 22nd. More information and registration is available at the Greater Monroe Chamber of Commerce website GMCOCC.com.

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- Planning has started for Family Fun Day 2023 which will be held on Saturday, September 23rd. More details will follow as the committee meets and continues the planning.
- New Village Hall and Police Station Update - The construction bid opening will be held next week and we hope to be awarding construction contracts soon after.

Agenda Revisions:

12b Water Acct. 281
12c Water Acct. 224

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Treasurer Report – see attached report

DPW – see attached report

Police Department – see attached report – Funds \$75.00

Water Account Adjustments – see attached report

Court Reports – see attached report	January \$9,165.00	Village Received - \$6,610.00
	February \$12,772.00	Village Received- \$9751.00
	March \$13,909.00	Village Received- \$10,580.00
	March Activities \$9,402.00	

Building Department – see attached report

\$ 756.00	7 Building Permits
450.00	4 Violation Searches
<u>30.00</u>	1 Return Check Fee
\$ 1,386.00	

RESIGNATION – Part Time Court Clerk Anna Hennelly

Mayor stated the Board received a resignation letter from Anna Hennelly. Mayor read letter.

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Schneider to accept Anna Hennelly’s resignation effective March 20, 2023.

SECOND was made by Trustee Chichester

ALL IN FAVOR

RESIGNATION – Part Time Court Clerk Diana Kesten

Mayor stated a resignation from our Part Time Clerk Diana Kesten to take effect March 27, 2023.

MOTION was made by Trustee Daly to accept Diana Kesten’s resignation effective March 27, 2023.

SECOND was made by Trustee Mitchell

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WATER DEPARTMENT TRAINING REQUEST – HVWWC Conference

Mayor stated this is a training request from the Water Department for Ron Krzywicki and Danny Hedges to attend the HVWWC Conference on April 13, 2023 at \$40.00 plus mileage.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve Ron Krzywicki and Danny Hedges to attend the HVWWC Conference on April 13, 2023 at \$40.00 plus mileage.

SECOND was made by Trustee Mitchell

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VILLAGE CLERK TRAINING REQUEST – OC- Human Resources

Mayor stated this is a training request from the Village Clerk to attend the OC Human Resources Civil Service process training on May 25 from 9:30 – 12:30pm with only mileage expenses.

MOTION was made by Trustee Daly to approve the Village Clerk to attend the OC Human Resources Civil Service process training on May 25 from 9:30 – 12:30pm with only mileage expenses.

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SECOND was made by Trustee Chichester
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2023-2024 BUDGET

Mayor stated this is adoption of our 2023-2024 Budget. The tentative Budget has been posted on the Village's website for approximately three weeks now since we completed our budget workshops. We had a public hearing tonight with no written comments or public comments. Mayor gave a recap.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve adopting the Village's 2023-2024 Budget.

SECOND was made by Deputy Mayor Schneider

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Mayor stated I would also like to thank all the Departments who participated in the workshops and pulling everything together and to the Board with working with our Departments to be sure we stay below the tax cap and always to our Treasurer, Marie Coimbra for all the hard work she does to make sure that all of that happens.

SHUT-OFF'S

Mayor stated the Board has received the projected Shut Off List from the Water Department and of course this will change. The shut off date is April 13, 2023

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Schneider to authorize water shut offs on April 13, 2023 as listed by the Village Clerk and Water Department.

SECOND was made by Trustee Mitchell

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WATER AND MAINTENANCE RELEVY

Mayor stated the Board has received the Relevy List from the Treasurer for the attached unpaid water and maintenance that will be levied on to the Village Taxes if not paid by the end of April.

MOTION was made by Trustee Daly to authorize the Village Treasurer to levy the Village Taxes provided they are not paid prior to the submission date.

SECOND was made by Trustee Chichester

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WATER ACCOUNT REQUESTS

Accounts 397 - 426 – Penalty Waivers

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve a 1x 30-day penalty waivers on Accounts 397-426.

SECOND was made by Trustee Mitchell

AYE: Trustee Chichester

Trustee Daly

Trustee Mitchell

Deputy Mayor Schneider - Abstained

Account 281 - Penalty Waiver

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve a 1x 60-day penalty waiver on Account 281.

SECOND was made by Trustee Daly

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Account 224 - Penalty Waiver

MOTION was made by Trustee Daly to approve a 1x 30- & 60-day penalty waiver on Account 224.

SECOND was made by Trustee Mitchell

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PARK REQUEST

Greene – July 22, 2023

MOTION was made by Trustee Mitchell to approve Greene Park Request.

SECOND was made by Trustee Chichester

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OC PLANNING IMA AUTHORIZATION – GML-239 Referrals

Mayor stated the OC Planning is revising certain actions that are exempt from referrals. They are requesting an agreement be completed. Mayor read Resolution.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to authorize the Mayor to sign the IMA agreement.

SECOND was made by Trustee Mitchell

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USDA IGA AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN

Mayor stated this is our annual renewal IGA Agreement with USDA. The contract is not to exceed \$6,054.00 and in past years it has been significantly lesser than that.

MOTION was made by Trustee Daly to authorize the Mayor to sign the IGA agreement.

SECOND was made by Trustee Mitchell

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SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING – Repeal LL 2023-02 – Tax Cap Override

Mayor stated this is to set a public hearing for May 9, 2023 to Repeal LL 2023-02 (Tax Cap Override) at 7:25pm.

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Schneider to approve scheduling to repeal LL 2023-02 Public Hearing for May 9, 2023 at 7:25pm.

SECOND was made by Trustee Mitchell

ALL IN FAVOR

BUDGET TRANSFER

Mayor stated the Board has received a Budget Transfers and Budget Adjustment Request from the Treasurer in a memo dated April 10, 2023. Mayor read memo.

MOTION was made by Trustee Mitchell to approve the Treasurer's Budget Transfer Request as outlined in the Treasurer's memo of May 9, 2023.

SECOND was made by Deputy Mayor Schneider

ALL IN FAVOR

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Darwin stated I don't have any comments this evening unless there are any questions from the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jim Kelly – Oxford Lane – NYS does not have a budget. This is the second time they have tried to pass a budget. The Assembly and the Senate are adamant against certain things the Governor wants to put in affect. The one thing that I think that will affect us a lot is taking away the power that the Villages and the Towns have in their own jurisdiction as far as planning. To me it seems unfair that we are a community that at this point you can't expand much further and you're going to be penalized if you do not meet the requests of what the Governor has put in as her criteria to take away money from municipalities who do not participate in this budget. So, I can only say, and I am not that knowledgeable in it, but I would say that with anybody that I would encourage them to call their Assembly and Senators to reinforce this because it is only going to hurt us. Our Village's in Monroe, Harriman it is going to kill us. We have nowhere to go so we are going to be penalized. This is the way it is worded right now. That is why the Governor is not getting it past because there are powerful Republicans and Democrats that are

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trying to fight this. Which is justifiably so. Rockland, I don't think would like it. I don't think anybody in Orange County wants it. I just want to make it clear that I would hope people would call their Assemblyman or Senator and tell them, do not give up that fight.

Trustee Chichester responded you; Tony and Neil sent that letter.

Mayor replied yes, we sent letters and certain elected officials went to Albany to show their displeasure for it. Both Houses are not for it and by the way what we are talking about is the Affordable Housing change.

Trustee Chichester stated the NY Conference of Mayors is also against it, so they are lobbying up there.

Mayor responded hopefully. I agree it is not good.

Trustee Chichester stated I agree with you.

Mr. Kelly continued, "we have no control over what people do anymore and I don't think that is the right way to go. I am a member of the Planning Board, and I don't think it is a good idea.

Trustee Chichester stated I hope people take your advice.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to adjourn Regular meeting at 7:55pm.

SECOND was made by Trustee Mitchell

ALL IN FAVOR

Respectfully submitted by: _____

Jane Leake, Village Clerk