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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
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7:00pm – Audit Bills

7:30pm – REGULAR MEETING

ROLL CALL

Mayor Stephen Welle, Deputy Mayor Colleen Farrell, Trustee G. Bruce Chichester, Trustee Frank Borowski, Trustee Sandra Daly, Village Clerk Jane Leake, DPW Superintendent John Mulligan, Police Chief Dan Henderson, Building Inspector, John Hager and Village Attorney Ben Ostrer

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Welle asked if there were any changes or additions to the minutes of April 18, 2017 Regular Board Meeting.

MOTION was made by Trustee Daly to accept the minutes of April 18, 2017 Regular Board Meeting.

SECOND was made by Trustee Chichester.

AYE: Trustee Farrell

Trustee Chichester

Trustee Borowski

Trustee Daly

NAY:

NONE

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- This evenings bills were audited:

Trust & Agency	\$ 1,022.96
General Fund	\$ 58,955.22
Water Fund	\$ 50,838.39

- Upcoming Meeting Dates:
Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting – June 7th
Planning Board – May 15th & June 19th
Village Board – June 13th

- ADDITIONS:
5a) Water Account 8080
5b) Water Account 8075

- Local Law #3 Public Hearing remains open for the June 13th Village Board Meeting. We have not received any correspondence from the County on the 239m.

- The Town of Monroe Compost Facility, last days for a while, will be this Friday and Saturday from 8 – 2pm collecting brush, leaves, etc. We have a flyer for anyone interested.

- As approved at the last Village Board Meeting the Village of Harriman will be conducting a Back to School Supply Drive for those that are less fortunate in the Community so the students have as close to possible on what they need starting the school year in September. A flyer will be posted on our Website and available at the Village Hall.

- Life Storage Facility had applied for water and fire flows for their new building. We received a \$28,000.00 capital contribution that was used to pay down debt in the water account.

- We received a letter regarding North Main and Short Street with regards to tight turns, etc. there. I will be turning it over to the Police Chief and the DPW Superintendent for their recommendations.

- The Playground Dedication in Ed Shuart's name will be on Saturday, June 17, 2017 at 10am.

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- The Clean Sweep on April had a good turn-out considering the weather. I would like to thank all the donors and participants along with the Harriman Police Department and DPW. I was also joined by Trustees Chichester, Daly and Deputy Mayor Farrell. I appreciate all the assistance that day.
- The Refuse Collection for Memorial Day week in Monroe will be Monday, May 29th no pick-up. Garbage pickup for the Village of Harriman in the Monroe portion will be Tuesday & Friday and recycles on Thursday of that week.
- Deputy Mayor Farrell & I attended the Orange County Associations of Towns, Villages and Cities regarding the Court Arraignments and the new process they are looking to accomplish. There will be more meetings to get this set-up. Once we know exactly what they are planning on doing we will report back on it.
- I did meet with representatives of Comp Alliance regarding our Workers Compensation Policy and at this point they cannot save us any money on our policy. Next year, assuming we don't have any more claims we should be able to do better with them than what we are doing now with the State Insurance Fund. We will check back with them next year.
- Frontier did contact me again regarding providing TV service within the Village. They have analyzed it and they will be able to provide TV to the entire Village not just small portions.
- I am pleased to announce that I had written to Senator Larkin a few months ago regarding a new back-hoe and we have been awarded \$140,000.00 toward the purchase of a new back-hoe. It will take 12 – 14 months for the State to get through the paperwork.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Treasurer Report – see attached report

DPW – see attached report – Water Bills \$340,634.90 – Past Dues - \$512,848.41.00

Police Department – see attached report - \$15.00 in funds

Water Account Adjustments – see attached report

Court Reports – see attached reports

Building Department – see attached report

\$ 90.00	Building Permits
\$ 100.00	Violation Searches
\$ 90.00	Sign
<u>\$ 30.00</u>	Building Permit Extension
\$ 315.00	Total

The Mayor stated with the Police Chiefs report is a request that the Board have a hearing regarding a towing license. In order to do that the Board will have to appoint a Hearing Officer and my recommendation is we motion to appoint Len Kessler for this matter.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to appoint Len Kessler as the Hearing Officer for the towing license case.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

The Mayor stated I will contact Mr. Kessler to get available dates so the licensee can be notified with a minimum 15 day notice of when the hearing will take place. Once we have a date we will advise and notice will be mailed.

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Mayor continued stating with the Court we do not have a break down with what stayed with the Village and what went to the State and County. Judge Wienberg took in \$6,103.00. Judge Drian took in \$7,084.00.

WATER ACCOUNT REQUESTS

Account 8205

The Mayor stated the Village Clerk is requesting the \$30.00 penalty be waived due to the fact this bill was estimated high and the outstanding balance was not due to non-payment therefore she feels the \$30.00 fee should not be accessed on this account.

MOTION was made by Trustee Farrell to approve the \$30.00 waived penalty on water account 8205.

SECOND was made by Trustee Daly

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

Account 8080

The Mayor stated this has to do with a property that was purchased in December and the bills should have gone to the Melon Bank of New York. They are looking to have the \$200.69 fees refunded due to the fact that they were not the owners of the property. Therefore we will need to send a letter to the Melon Bank requesting reimbursement.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve the \$200.69 refund on penalties on water account 8080.

SECOND was made by Trustee Borowski

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

Account 8075

The Mayor stated the Village Clerk is requesting the meter charge be waived due to the fact that the meter charge was added to the final read and then got added a second time.

MOTION was made by Trustee Farrell to approve the second \$37.50 meter charge be waived on water account 8075.

SECOND was made by Trustee Daly

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT

The Mayor stated the Community Development Grant of 2018-2020 if we do not want to continue to participate we will have to let them know. A motion would be needed to opt out of the program.

Although we have not been able to qualify within the Village, some private homeowners have been able to benefit from this program. No Motion to Withdraw

RELEVY

The Mayor stated at last month's meeting we authorized relevy, but some have been paid prior to levy being delivered to the County. The final relevy is \$11,980.28.

PBA CONTRACT REVISION

The Mayor stated Section 9.1 page 16 discusses buy back of vacation time. The wording should be 120 hours not days of vacation. The PBA President has approved it.

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MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve the change of wording of 120 hours not days of vacation.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

PARK REQUEST

Perez – July 30, 2017 2- 8pm

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve Perez park request.

SECOND was made by Trustee Borowski

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

LEGAL NOTICE – VILLAGE BUDGET

The Mayor read the following:

Village Enforcement
To Marie Coimbra
Village Treasurer

YOUR ARE HEREBY DIRECTED to receive and collect from the several persons named in the tax roll hereunto annexed, the several sums stated in the last column hereof opposite their respective names, being a total of \$1,815,362.28 for the following purpose:

FOR THE CURRENT BUDGET: \$1,803,382.00

DELINQUENT WATER \$11,930.28

YOUR ARE FURTHER DIRECTED to receive and collect such sums without additional charge between the 1st day of June and 30th day of June: both inclusive; and thereafter to collect with such of the sums as have not been theretofore collected, an additional charge of five per cenum for the first month or fraction thereof and one per cenum for each month or fraction thereof thereafter until paid.

YOU ARE FURTHER DIRECTED to file the tax roll and warrant in your office on or before the fourteenth of October 2017 and to deliver to the Orange County Commissioner of Finance in Goshen the taxes remaining due and unpaid; showing the person or persons to whom the parcel is assessed and showing as to each parcel the amount of tax unpaid.

LEGAL NOTICE – VILLAGE TAXES

The Mayor read the following:

Pursuant to section 14-28 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, the warrant and Tax Roll for the collection of the Village Taxes of the Village of Harriman, New York, has been filed with the Village Clerk for the fiscal year June 1, 2017 to May 31, 2018. Taxes will be received at the Village Office, 1 Church Street, Harriman, New York daily from June 1, 2017 to June 30, 2017 except Saturdays, Sundays and Legal Holidays without penalty.

Beginning July 1, 2017 5% will be added for the month of July and 1% for each month thereafter until paid.

POLICE TRAINING REQUEST

The Mayor stated the Police Chief is requesting that one Officer attend a Child Seat Safety Course at a cost of \$85.00 from June 21 – June 24, 2017.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve one Officer attend a Child Seat Safety Course at a cost of \$85.00 from June 21 – June 24, 2017.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

The second request is to send Sergeant Basilicata to an Excellence and Policing Symposium. The only cost would be mileage and meals not provided with the program.

MOTION was made by Trustee Daly to approve Sergeant Basilicata to attend the Excellence and Policing Symposium June 1 & 2nd with mileage and meals not provided reimbursed.

SECOND was made by Trustee Chichester

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

BUDGET TRANSFERS

The Mayor stated budget transfers on a May 5, 2017 request from Village Treasurer.

MOTION was made by Trustee Farrell to adopt the budget transfers as stated in the May 5, 2017 request from the Village Treasurer.

SECOND was made by Trustee Daly

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

BUDGET MODIFICATION

The Mayor stated this is due to the new donations for the signs in the park. We need to make Budget Modifications in the amount of \$9,200.00 on the Revenue side and on the Expense side.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve the budget modifications as outlined by the Treasurer in the May 5, 2017 memo.

SECOND was made by Trustee Borowski

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

RESERVE FUND TRANSERS

The Mayor stated this is to transfer money to the Capital Reserve Accounts which will be \$15,000 to Capital Highway Reserve, \$35,000 to Capital Police Reserve, \$150,000 to Capital Building and Improvement and \$2,000.00 to the Historical Reserve Fund.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve the money transfers to the Capital Reserve Accounts which will be \$15,000 to Capital Highway Reserve, \$35,000 to Capital Police Reserve, \$150,000 to Capital Building and Improvement and \$2,000.00 to the Historical Reserve Fund.

SECOND was made by Trustee Daly

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

O & R STREET LIGHT PROPOSAL

The Mayor stated O&R will do 2% free upgrades each year on the street lights. They will now do them to LED's, but the Board would have to approve that. They are also offering to replace other street lights to LED at a cost undetermined.

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester at approve O&R to do the free upgrades to LED's.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell

AYE: Trustee Farrell
Trustee Chichester
Trustee Borowski
Trustee Daly

NAY:
NONE

The Mayor stated once I receive information on the cost of the other ones I will advise the Board.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Ostrer stated we did appear in Court today on the RD matter which has been adjourned until June 22, 2017, but we will need to go into Executive Session to discuss the approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

MOTION was made by Chichester to enter into Executive Session with Ben Ostrer, Esq. for a couple of litigation items and Attorney Client Privilege Item.

SECOND was made by Trustee Farrell

ALL IN FAVOR

At this time the Village Clerk was excused from the meeting.

The following was given by Mayor Welle:

Executive Session with Ben Ostrer, Esq.

MOTION was made by Trustee Farrell to adjourn Executive Session and return to the Regular Session.

SECOND was made by Trustee Daly

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION was made by Trustee Chichester to approve the stipulation of settlement Index No. 2317-2015 with RD Management in the amount of \$45,000 as per the agreement and authorize an attorney from Ostrer and Associates to sign the agreement.

SECOND was made by Trustee Daly

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION was made by Trustee Borowski and **SECONDED** by Trustee Chichester to adjourn the meeting at 8:25pm.

ALL IN FAVOR

Respectfully submitted by: _____

Jane Leake, Village Clerk