



Village of Harriman

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VILLAGE BOARD MEETING SEPTEMBER 10, 2024

7:00PM – AUDIT BILLS
7:30PM – REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

- 1. ROLL CALL – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – August 13, 2024**
- 3. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**
- 4. DEPARTMENT REPORTS**
- 5. RESIGNATION – P.O. Fenfert**
- 6. PARK REQUEST – a) Urban**
- 7. PLANNING BOARD RESIGNATION – E. Rivera**
- 8. PLANNING BOARD APPOINTMENT – J. Celentano**
- 9. CPR/AED TRAINING REQUEST**
- 10. AUCTIONS INTERNATIONAL – Mailbox/Chairs**
- 11. BUDGET TRANSFERS/ADJUSTMENTS**
- 12. ATTORNEY COMMENT**
- 13. PUBLIC COMMENT**
- 14. POSSIBLE MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

UPCOMING MEETING DATES:

PLANNING BOARD MEETING:	September 16, 2024
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING:	October 2, 2024
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING:	October 8, 2024

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7:00pm – Audit Bills

7:30pm – Regular Meeting

REGULAR MEETING:

ROLL CALL: Mayor G. Bruce Chichester, Deputy Mayor Wayne Mitchell, Trustee Reyna Sandoval, Village Clerk Jane Leake

ABSENT Trustee Carol Schneider

ALSO, PRESENT – Deputy Clerk, Maria Hunter

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 August 13, 2024?

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell to accept the minutes of August 13, 2024.

SECOND was made by Trustee Sandoval

ALL IN FAVOR

INFORMATIONAL ITEM

This evening's bills were audited:

General Fund	\$ 399,845.57
Water Fund	\$ 56,645.70
Trust & Agency	\$ 3,808.47
Engineering Fees	\$ 30,448.05
Capital Projects	\$ 247,650.62

- Up Coming Meeting Dates:
 - Planning Board – September 16, 2024
 - Zoning Board of Appeals – October 2, 2024
 - Village Board – October 8, 2024

Attorney Ben Gailey arrived.

- Village Office hours are 8am to 4pm and by appointment from 7:00 am to 8:00 am. Phone numbers and contact information can be found on the villageofharriman.org website.
- A drop box 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 normal business hours. We ask that you not leave any cash payments in the lock box.
- Residents and the public can sign up on the Village website to receive email alerts about Village information, community events, and information regarding water bill dates.
- Brush pick-up continues – we ask that you place brush, untied, at the edge of your property with butt end facing out. Please do not place on the street and we do not accept grass clippings.

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- Mandatory Water Restrictions are still in effect. No outside water or irrigation. Residents are prohibited from washing their automobiles, equipment or performing other high volume outside water usage.
- The Annual School Supplies Drive ended August 27th. Chief Tenaglia, Sergeant Clayton and I delivered lots of supplies to representatives from the Monroe Woodbury Central School District who will distribute them to needy recipients. Thank you to everyone who donated this year!
- The Annual Family Fun Day took place on Sunday, September 8th and it was a great success. I want to thank all the businesses because their generous donations are the reason we can have the event without costing the taxpayers anything. I also want to thank all the volunteers who helped to make it a success and all the groups that came, including the Regional Tactical Response Unit, Woodbury K9, Monroe Ambulance, Harriman Engine Company and our DPW Crew. Also, the Committee members spend a tremendous amount of time putting this event together. We could not have this event without them and their ongoing efforts.
- New Village Hall and Police Station Update – Construction will be complete in the next couple of weeks. The Village Hall and the Police Station are scheduled to move on Friday, September 27th. The Village Hall will be closed on Friday, September 27th but should reopen on Monday, September 30th. We will be having a grand opening on Saturday, October 19th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. All are welcome.
- The Village of Monroe will be having their 9/11 Ceremony. It is the 23rd Anniversary. It will be held at 6pm on Route 17M and Bridge Street. The Monroe Woodbury School String Quartet and their Voice Ensemble will be there to perform.
- AGENDA ADDITIONS
6B) Imam – Refund for the Park
11a) Museum Village
11b) Water Account Request – Account 31, 41 and 122

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Treasurer Report – see attached report

DPW – see attached report

Police Department – see attached report – Funds \$45.00

Water Account Adjustments – see attached report

Court Reports – see attached report

August Monthly Activities \$16,990.00

NYS June 2024 - \$26,722.00 Village Receives - \$19,983.00

NYS July 2024 – \$16,002.00 Village Receives - \$9,872.00

Building Department – see attached report

\$ 690.00 3 Building Permits

\$ 1,500.00 6 Violation Searches

\$ 100.00 2 Sign Permit

\$ 2,290.00

MOTION by Deputy Mayor Mitchell to accept reports.

SECONDED by Trustee Sandoval

AYE: Deputy Mayor Mitchell

Trustee Sandoval

Mayor Chichester

NAY:

NONE

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RESIGNATION – P.O. Fenfert

Mayor stated we have a letter to our Chief from Police Officer Fenfert's on his resignation effective September 11, 2024. Mayor' read letter.

MOTION was made by Trustee Sandoval to accept Police Officer Fenfert's resignation effective September 11, 2024.

SECOND was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell
ALL IN FAVOR

PARK REQUEST

Urban – September 1, 2024– pre-approved

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell to approve Urban's Park Request for September 1, 2024.

SECOND was made by Trustee Sandoval
ALL IN FAVOR

Imam – Refund Request for September 8th & 22nd

MOTION was made by Trustee Sandoval to approve the park request refunds for September 8, 2024, and September 22, 2024.

SECOND was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell
ALL IN FAVOR

PLANNING BOARD RESIGNATION – E. Rivera

Mayor stated we have a resignation letter from Planning Board member Elban Rivera's effective August 28, 2024. Mayor read email.

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell to accept Planning Board Member Elban Rivera's resignation effective August 28, 2024.

SECOND was made by Trustee Sandoval
ALL IN FAVOR

Deputy Mayor Mitchell stated Elban truly regretted leaving the Village. He enjoyed his time here. He grew up here. He was a graduate of Monroe Woodbury. But his family extended, and he was living with his mother and extended family. His wife and child needed their own space and he really couldn't stay in the Village, so he had to leave. He really had great aspirations of serving this Village and he really enjoyed his time on the Board.

Mayor responded thank you and it is people like Deputy Mayor Mitchell is describing that truly make great members of the Boards and make this Village what it is. We love people to come out and help us like that.

PLANNING BOARD APPOINTMENT – J. Celentano

Mayor stated I would like to appoint Jennifer Celentano as a new member of the Planning Board. Jeanette is a former Village Clerk and has lived in the Village since the mid 1980's, my guess. She knows the Village quite well. I think she would be a great member of the Planning Board.

MOTION by Trustee Sandoval to approve Jennifer Celentano as a new member of the Planning Board.

SECONDED by Deputy Mayor Mitchell
ALL IN FAVOR

CPR/AED TRAINING REQUEST

Mayor stated this is a training request from Chief Tenaglia for CPA/AED Recertification Training for October 1-2, 2024, at \$80.00 per Officer for a total cost of \$720.00. Mayor read memo.

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MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell to approve the CPR/AED Training request for October 1-2, 2024, at \$80.00 per Officer for a total cost of \$720.00.

SECOND was made by Trustee Sandoval

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AUCTION INTERNATIONAL – Mailbox and Chairs

Mayor stated the Board has information in front of them on the mailbox we had for Village Hall that did not work as we expected. So, we put it on Auctions International and we have a bid of \$320.00.

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell to approve the Auctions International bid of \$320.00 for the mailbox.

SECOND was made by Trustee Sandoval

ALL IN FAVOR

Mayor continued stating since we received no bids on the chairs, we need authorization to allow the Treasurer to find a Church or some Organization that we can donate the chairs to.

MOTION was made by Trustee Sandoval to authorize the Treasurer to find a Church or Organization to donate the chairs to.

SECOND was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell

ALL IN FAVOR

BUDGET TRANSFERS

Mayor stated the Board has received from the Village Treasurer a Budget Transfer request. Mayor read memo.

MOTION was made by Trustee Sandoval to approve the Budget Transfer Request as outlined in the Treasurer's memo of September 10, 2024.

SECOND was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell

ALL IN FAVOR

MUSEUM VILLAGE REQUEST

Mayor read an email from the Board of Trustees of the Museum Village in Monroe regarding the financial challenge, requesting a letter from the surrounding Municipalities expressing the value and benefit of the museum to lobby efforts in Albany to the Governor and State Legislators for grant money.

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell to approve writing a letter from the Village of Harriman as per stated in their email dated September 7, 2024, to support the great Museum Village.

SECOND was made by Trustee Sandoval

ALL IN FAVOR

WATER ACCOUNT REQUESTS

Accounts 31, 41 & 122 penalty waivers

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell to approve penalty waivers on Accounts 31, 41 and 122.

SECOND was made by Trustee Sandoval

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ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Gailey stated I have nothing to report tonight.

PUBLIC COMMENT

M. Hunter of Woodbury stated I just want to let the Board know that tomorrow evening at 7pm at the

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Highland Mills Fire House we will be having our Annual 9/11 Memorial Service as well. So please join us if you can.

Mayor replied thank you.

Trustee Sandoval asked where is this being held Maria?

Maria responded at the Highland Mills Fire House just past St. Patrick's Church on the left-hand side.

Trustee Sandoval asked on Route 32?

Mayor replied yes.

Marie continued stating if you do come, you can park across the street because the parking lot usually gets quite full. There will be Police directing traffic.

Mayor and Trustee Sandoval replied great. Thanks.

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell to Enter into Executive Session for Attorney Client Privilege for a personnel discussion.

SECOND by Trustee Sandoval

ALL IN FAVOR

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

The following was given by Trustee Sandoval:

MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell to adjourn Executive Session and return to the Regular Meeting.

SECOND was made by Trustee Sandoval

ALL IN FAVOR

MOTION was made by Trustee Sandoval to approve Chief Tenaglia's request to remove the patrol mileage and gasoline consumption line from the monthly report.

SECOND was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell

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MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mitchell to adjourn Regular meeting at 8:10pm.

SECOND was made by Trustee Sandoval

ALL IN FAVOR

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Jane Leake, Village Clerk