

**VILLAGE OF HARRIMAN, NEW YORK  
VILLAGE BOARD MEETING  
NOVEMBER 12, 2013**

**7:00 P.M. – AUDIT OF BILLS**

**7:30 P.M. – REGULAR MEETING**

**ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Stephen Welle, Deputy Mayor Edward Shuart Jr., Trustee G. Bruce Chichester, Trustee Lawrence Mosca, Trustee Christine Sacher, Building Inspector Ronald Walker, DPW Superintendent John Karl, Police Chief Daniel Henderson, Sgt. Mike Cruz, Village Clerk Kelly Kearney, and Village Attorney Marissa Tuohy of Ostrer & Hoovler.

The Mayor welcomed the new Police Chief to his first Village Board meeting.

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 the October 22, 2013 Board Meeting. There being none, the minutes were accepted as written.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

- Upcoming meeting dates:

Planning Board – November 18, 2013  
Zoning Board of Appeals – December 4, 2013  
Village Board – December 10, 2013

- Mayor Welle stated that the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals still have openings. Anyone interested should submit a letter of intent to the Village Clerk.
- Mayor Welle stated that leaf pick up is under way it will go through the beginning of December, weather permitting.
- Mayor Welle stated that we received a check from FEMA from Hurricane Sandy for \$2,688.30, this is partial payment on the one fence. There are still payments outstanding.
- Mayor Welle stated Town of Monroe Garbage District; I have questioned some of the vouchers that are being paid out of the garbage district. They do not appear to be garbage district charges; they appear to be Town wide charges. I have sent a letter to the Town requesting information on this. I also voiced it at their Public Hearing. I am waiting to hear back.
- Mayor Welle stated that at the September 25, 2013 Village Board meeting, the Board adopted an authorization to expend \$40,000. from the Capital Water Reserve pending a permissive referendum. Mayor Welle stated the 30 days has passed with no referendum filed so the \$40,000. has been approved to pay for the various water charges that were adopted with this resolution.
- Mayor Welle stated Thanksgiving week refuse pick up on the Town of Monroe side of the Village of Harriman instead of being Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> it will be on Friday the 29<sup>th</sup>. The Monday collection and Wednesday recycle will stay the same.

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**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: (CONT'D)**

- Mayor Welle stated there is a Public Notice from the Monroe Joint Fire District that on December the 10<sup>th</sup> between the hours of 3 pm to 9 pm voting will take place at the Fire District Office 406 North Main Street to elect one Fire District Commissioner for a five year term commencing January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2018 and to also vote on a proposition which will change the Service Award Program. A copy of this is available here in Village Hall if anyone is interested and it was published in the Times Herald Record, it decreases the age of which the members can collect on the pension. Voting is December the 10<sup>th</sup> from 3pm to 9pm.
  
- Bills were audited:
  - \$ 140,622.18 General Fund
  - \$ 44,712.92 Water Fund
  - \$ 2,689.66 Trust & Agency

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

DPW – see attached report, DPW received \$10,000. in tap in fees and \$549.00 for scrap

Police Department – see attached report, Police received \$45.00

Building Department – see attached report.

\$ 1209.00	Building Permits
\$ 50.00	Certificates of Compliance
\$ 125.00	Certificates of Occupancy
\$ 00.00	Municipals
\$ 00.00	Building Permit Extensions
\$ 00.00	Sign Permit

Mayor Welle asked does any of the Board members have any questions for the Department Heads.

Trustee Shuart asked DPW Supt. John Karl it says in your report you repaired three street signs

DPW Supt. John Karl stated that is correct.

Trustee Shuart stated what was that cost what was the repair, was it vandalism, car hit it?

DPW Supt John Karl stated no one sign was missing it was reported to the Police Dept. The Bailey Farm Road sign and we ordered a new one and put it up and then we found the other one in the bottom of the Ramapo River. I would have to look in my log book and get back to you on the details of the other ones.

Trustee Shuart said I was wondering if it was vandalism, if maybe someone was taking them off.

DPW Supt John Karl stated we have had trouble with the wind, nothing with vandalism. The only thing that was vandalized was the bathroom in the park.

Trustee Shuart stated that was my next question that was vandalized.

DPW Supt John Karl stated yes it was, the bathrooms will be closed the end of this week for the season.

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**PROPERTY TAX RE: LEVY**

Mayor Welle stated this is the tax levy going to the County we need authorization and then we need the Board members to sign off on this. The amount in the Town of Monroe of unpaid taxes is \$24,336.43 and the amount on the Town of Woodbury side is \$69,274.72

**MOTION** was made by Trustee Shuart to authorize as outlined by the Mayor.  
**SECOND** was made by Trustee Chichester.

**AYE:** Trustee Shuart  
Trustee Sacher  
Trustee Chichester  
Trustee Mosca

**NAY:** -0-

Mayor Welle stated I will just pass this around now so that they can be signed.

**TREASURER REQUEST – BUDGET TRANSFER**

Mayor Welle stated we received a request from the Treasurer Marie Coimbra in a Memo dated November 12, 2013 for budget transfers.

**MOTION** was made by Trustee Chichester to approve the budget transfers as outlined by the Mayor.  
**SECOND** was made by Trustee Shuart.

Trustee Sacher asked why so many?

Mayor Welle stated some have to do with the clothing allowance and as we found out in the last Audit bills cannot be paid unless money is transferred first.

**AYE:** Trustee Shuart  
Trustee Sacher  
Trustee Chichester  
Trustee Mosca

**NAY:** -0-

**DEMOLITION PROPOSALS – 6 SOUTH MAIN STREET**

Mayor Welle stated the next thing on the agenda is the demolition of 6 South Main Street, which is to demolish the two structures (House and Barn) and remove all the debris, remove foundation and concrete and remove blacktop driveway to barn and to rough grade property. We received three proposals; the lowest proposal was for \$17,000. from Paul Moeller Landscaping Inc. The Board has copies of all the proposals.

**MOTION** was made by Trustee Shuart to approve the proposal from Paul Moeller to do work as outlined by the Mayor.  
**SECOND** was made by Trustee Chichester.

Trustee Chichester asked from what he can see all three proposals are the same there is nothing anyone picked up that is different from the proposals?

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**DEMOLITION PROPOSALS – 6 SOUTH MAIN STREET (CONT'D)**

**AYE:** Trustee Shuart  
Trustee Sacher  
Trustee Chichester  
Trustee Mosca

**NAY:** -0-

**ATTORNEY REPORT:**

- NYBIT – Mayor Welle stated regarding this, we have an invoice from them stating it is the final bill as agreed do we need to send anything else to go along with this to show that all the other invoices are cancelled out. This is regarding Grove Street and all the issues. Attorney Tuohy stated we shouldn't but if you feel more comfortable we can definitely send a letter stating payment in full satisfying all, this way all is confirmed. Trustee Mosca asked what was the final number agreed upon. Mayor Welle stated \$45,000. Mayor then passed around voucher for the \$45,000. to be signed. And Attorney Tuohy stated she would forward letter to us to send with payment.
- 7 Berwynn Road Theft of Services - Attorney Tuohy stated she made up a draft letter just wanted Ben to approve.
- Code Book - Mayor Welle stated that it was brought up that there was a discrepancy in the code book regarding the delinquent water and the Board has before them changes that Attorney Tuohy drafted we would have to have a Public Hearing and we could do that at the next Board meeting so that this can get straightened out. Mayor Welle asked does anyone want to make a MOTION for the Public Hearing.  
**MOTION** was made by Trustee Chichester to approve having a Public Hearing as outlined by the Mayor.  
**SECOND** was made by Trustee Shuart.

Mayor Welle stated the Public Hearing will be December 10, 2013 at 7:15 PM

**AYE:** Trustee Shuart  
Trustee Sacher  
Trustee Chichester  
Trustee Mosca

**NAY:** -0-

Mayor Welle asked if Attorney Tuohy could get the Notice for the paper to the Clerk.  
Attorney Tuohy stated she would email to Kelly

- 459C Exemption - Mayor stated this has been going back and forth with the Town of Monroe. Attorney Tuohy stated nothing on that. Mayor Welle stated this has to do with the conflicting emails with the Town of Monroe Attorney. Attorney Tuohy stated she has to contact them.
- Town of Monroe Annexation – Mayor Welle stated this also has to do with conflicting information with the attorneys. Attorney Tuohy stated there is nothing new.
- Gas Easement- Mayor Welle stated we are moving forward with the gas easement for behind TJ Maxx building for the HP1 generator. Mayor Welle stated we just need to get more information from O & R regarding this.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no comments from the public

**MOTION** was made by Trustee Shuart to enter into Executive Session for a personnel issue with the court and attorney/client privilege.

**SECOND** was made by Trustee Chichester.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Mayor Welle thanked everyone for coming and wished them a Happy Thanksgiving.

At this time the Village Clerk was excused from the meeting. The following was given by Mayor Welle:

Executive Session with Village Board, and Village Attorney Marissa Tuohy, Esq

**MOTION** was made by Trustee Shuart to end Executive Session and return to Regular Session

**SECOND** was made by Trustee Chichester

**ALL IN FAVOR**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Chichester and **SECONDED** by Trustee Shuart to adjourn the meeting at 8:35pm.

**ALL IN FAVOR.**

Respectfully submitted by \_\_\_\_\_

Kelly Kearney, Village Clerk