

MONROE TOWN BOARD MEETING MINUTES

— 06/21/2021

MONROE TOWN BOARD MEETING AGENDA (Monday, June 21, 2021)

Generated by Valerie Bitzer

Members present

Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilperson - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

1. Call to Order

Discussion, Information, Procedural: 1.1 Pledge to the Flag

2. Motion to Open Town Board Meeting

Action (Resolution): 2.1 Motion to Open Town Board Meeting of June 21, 2021

2021-#263

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Open the Town Board Meeting of June 21, 2021 at 7:01 PM.

Motion by Councilperson - Rick Colon, second by Mary Bingham.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilperson - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

3. Community Announcements

Information: 3.1 Recap of Town of Monroe Food Truck Festival

To hear Councilman Scancarello, and Supervisor Cardone regarding Recap of Town of Monroe Food Truck Festival, please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #3.1, 0:1:31.

4. Public Hearing

Action (Resolution): 4.1 Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law A-V1, Amendment to Chapter 57 of the Town Code to Regulate Rental Properties and Transient Housing

2021-#264

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law A-V1, Amendment to Chapter 57 of the Town Code to Regulate Rental Properties and Transient Housing.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone, second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilperson - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

The following signed up to speak during Public Comment regarding the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law A-V1, Amendment to Chapter 57 of the Town Code to Regulate Rental Properties and Transient Housing. To hear their comments, and Board Members responses, please go on-line to Board Docs Video Clip #4.1, 0:2:41.

- Joan Bankemper

- Supervisor Cardone: Anyone sign up to speak?

- Deputy Town Clerk Valerie Bitzer: Joan Bankemper.

- (Inaudible)

- Supervisor Cardone: Yes. Come on up here. Just state your name. Where you live, and you can speak for up to three minutes.

- Joan Bankemper: Okay. Hi. I've been in Monroe for 23 years, and I love Monroe. I love the lakes. I'm on 112 Cooper Street, and my property is for sale. My property value.

- Supervisor Cardone: Just state your name. I'm sorry.

- Joan Bankemper: Joan Bankemper.

- Supervisor Cardone: Okay.

- Joan Bankemper: And what I found is, in the last eight, nine months, my property value is more valuable as a temporary rental. AIRB&B. And I've seen that. I've watched that, and like I said, I've been here 23 years, and even in the last nine months, I also believe that it creates a revenue for Monroe. I think the Town can use a revenue, and I think it does it. I also think that it becomes a destination for New Yorker's, and I think that we should celebrate that, and make it a destination, and make it open for these rentals. I think it's a good thing. What else do I think? Why do I think this is really good? I think it's a really wholesome way, and like I said, I have a summer bungalow. My bungalow does it. It's not met. It's not, I can house four people max, and I've had it all this year. All these years, my daughter's grown up. If it were a large house, it'd be a different story. But in this spirit of the bungalow colony which Monroe had a lot of them, this short-term rental is in the spirit of the bungalow colony. And I think it's a celebration of the property of Walton Lake, and a good thing for Monroe.

- Supervisor Cardone: Thank you very much.

- Councilman McGinn: Thank you very much ma'am.

- Supervisor Cardone: Thank you.

- Joan Bankemper: You're welcome.

- Supervisor Cardone: Appreciate. Is this your first time here?

- Joan Bankemper: Of course.

- Supervisor Cardone: Oh, all right. Good. No thank you. We, we appreciate new blood. Thank you very much for comin down.

- Councilman McGinn: Come on back.

- Joan Bankemper: (Inaudible)
- (Laughter)
- Deputy Town Clerk Valerie Bitzer: That's all I have signed up.
- Supervisor Cardone: Anyone else? Anyone else want to speak? Speak on it? Okay. So, so right, right now, I guess we're, we're still in a holding pattern, cause there's a couple things we still, I guess, have to fine-tune I think with Max?
- Councilman McGinn: Yes.
- Supervisor Cardone: The, the Draft presently is available on the Town website. So, anyone who has any interest in it, you're more than welcome to take a look at it. If you have any comments, you know, more than happy to listen to your comments. I thank you Joan for, for showing up tonight. It was very positive, which is what we like.
- Councilman McGinn: (Inaudible). Very positive. And yeah, Monroe was a, you're right.
- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah.
- Councilman McGinn: That's how it started. It was a, a destination for people from the city, and around the area that came for the bungalows, and the lakes and so, you're, you're right. There were big hotels the whole, you know. It was a destination. It would be great to see it become that again. Be good for the community, and good for the long-term viability of the Town, so.
- Supervisor Cardone: I, I would say that possibly this could be wrapped up in July, at our July meeting.
- Councilman McGinn: I think we'd like to see that.
- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah.
- Councilwoman Bingham: I'd like to see, (inaudible) because there were a couple of things we wanted to add. Possibly about, like the sidewalk to the door. That I haven't seen.
- Supervisor Cardone: Max send a copy?
- Councilwoman Bingham: I haven't seen it.
- Councilman McGinn: The version, the last version I have, is the last one that went to the whole Board. I don't have anything different than that.
- Councilwoman Bingham: Yeah.
- Councilman McGinn: Which is, I think, is the same one that's on the website so.
- Councilwoman Bingham: But it doesn't have anything about a sidewalk from the door.
- Councilman McGinn: (Inaudible). You wanna.
- Councilwoman Bingham: To the driveway?
- Councilman McGinn: You wanna (inaudible).
- Supervisor Cardone: You really, if you wanna comment on that, comment on that now. So.
- Councilwoman Bingham: I did last meeting.
- Councilman McGinn: Yeah.
- Councilman Colon: Last meeting.
- Councilwoman Bingham: Right.
- Councilman McGinn: (Inaudible) it may, it may not have had time to get updated yet. So.

- Supervisor Cardone: Okay. Yeah.
- Councilwoman Bingham: That's what I'm looking for.
- Councilman Colon: (Inaudible).
- Councilwoman Bingham: The updated Law.
- Supervisor Cardone: Okay.
- Councilman McGinn: All right. Hey, did you, you know, just email Max just in case?
- Supervisor Cardone: I'll email, I'll email him.
- Councilman McGinn: Yeah.
- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah.
- Councilman McGinn: You know, just email him, and, and tell him that we discussed it as a Board, and agreed that a walkway was something that we felt was important for.
- Councilwoman Bingham: 500 feet notice.
- Councilman McGinn: Say it again.
- Councilwoman Bingham: 500 feet.
- Councilman Colon: 500 feet.
- Councilwoman Bingham: Not 300. 500 feet.
- Councilman McGinn: For, what the notice.
- Councilwoman Bingham: Noticing residents, that there's gonna be an AIRB&B in that area.
- Supervisor Cardone: I'm, I'm not necessarily (inaudible) that but. That's, you could, if you want to put that up for a Motion.
- Councilman Scancarello: So, what, what are you stating? That you'd like a sign or something that says.
- Supervisor Cardone: No. She wants to know. She's stating that she wants to notify as you do like when you go to ZBA or anything, you have to notify people within a 300-foot radius of your house. Councilwoman Bingham wants to extend that to 500 feet.
- Councilwoman Bingham: That's what the plan (inaudible) right now. (Inaudible). Can we take a vote for 500 feet? I'd like to make a Motion that the Law include a 500-foot notice.
- (Inaudible)
- Councilman Colon: You're making that, you're making that Motion now?
- Councilwoman Bingham: Right, because, I guess the Supervisor has different opinions, so. We want to poll the Board, where I have the Board vote on it.
- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah. Yeah, that's just my opinion. (Inaudible)
- Councilman Colon: Well, I mean what we can.
- Councilwoman Bingham: (Inaudible)
- Councilman Colon: What we can do is, we're going to have another meeting on it what, July?
- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah. July 7th.
- Deputy Town Clerk Valerie Bitzer: 12th.
- (Inaudible)
- Deputy Town Clerk Valerie Bitzer: 12th.
- Councilman Colon: 12th. Well, if, if the Planning Board, and Planning Board has it. Is that

what you're saying? The Planning Board has that (inaudible).

- Councilwoman Bingham: I believe the Planning Board has 500 feet. So, you'd wanna be consistent.

- Councilman McGinn: I think it is 500 feet for, for ZBA notifications, change of zoning, and things like this. I don't see this as being a change of zoning. But I, I think, I think we could probably talk about this sidebar? Unless you want to keep it up for Motion. I, I don't care. But I'm just saying.

- Counsel Nugent: (Inaudible) just so you know, I think that's in the Draft currently that Max sent. (Inaudible).

- (Inaudible)

- Counsel Nugent: 500.

- Councilwoman Bingham: (Inaudible) it was 300 feet.

- Counsel Nugent: (Inaudible)

- Councilwoman Bingham: All right. We'll do as a sidebar later. We have a chance to look it up.

- (Inaudible)

- Counsel Nugent: Um.

- Supervisor Cardone: Up Counsel.

- Counsel Nugent: 500 feet.

- Councilman Colon: Oh, you got it.

- Councilwoman Bingham: I'm happy.

- Town Board Member: There you go Mary.

- Supervisor Cardone: There you go.

- (Inaudible)

- Supervisor Cardone: Sidewalk issue.

- (Inaudible)

- Councilwoman Bingham: I'll withdraw my Mo.

- Supervisor Cardone: Okay.

Action (Resolution): 4.2 Possible Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Local A-V1, Amendment to Chapter 57 of the Town Code to Regulate Rental Properties and Transient Housing

2021-#265

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law A-V1, Amendment to Chapter 57 of the Town Code to Regulate Rental Properties and Transient Housing until July 12, 2021 at 7:00 PM or soon there-after.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone, second by Councilperson - Rick Colon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilperson - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

Action (Resolution), Discussion: 4.3 Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Arrow Park Water District

2021-#266

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Motion to Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Arrow Park Water District.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone, second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilperson - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

The following signed up to speak during Public Comment regarding the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Arrow Park Water District. To hear their comments, and Board Members responses, please go on-line to Board Docs Video Clip #4.3, 0:10:30.

- Susan Simak
- John Liter
- Nadia Perry

- Supervisor Cardone: Okay. Anyone sign up to speak?
- Deputy Town Clerk Valerie Bitzer: Susan Simak.
- Susan Simak: At the last Public.
- Supervisor Cardone: Just state your name, and where you live.
- Susan Simak: Susan Simak, 314 First Street.
- Supervisor Cardone: Okay.
- Susan Simak: In Monroe. At the last Public Hearing you ment.
- George Carney: Pull the microphone a little closer.
- Supervisor Cardone: You, can you move the microphone in a little closer.
- Susan Simak: Okay.
- Councilman Colon: (Inaudible) a little closer.
- Susan Simak: At the last Public hearing you mentioned that the Grant would be \$750,000 towards this project, but yet we had papers originally that showed it was gonna be one million sixty-six thousand.
- Supervisor Cardone: This, I just gave you an example.
- Susan Simak: That's not the final?
- Supervisor Cardone: No. That's not defined. We haven't even applied, or started the process for the Grant. That will be done once the Water District is accepted by the Town.

- Susan Simak: And I was also curious to know about how much other new Water Districts paid. Like an approximate figure. When they just started.
- Supervisor Cardone: I mean let's put it, when you say pay. For water? Or for improvements?
- Susan Simak: No. For the whole, the whole package.
- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah. That that varies a lot. I mean Mary.
- Town Board Member: Mary (inaudible).
- Supervisor Cardone: Could tell you what water District 12 pays, cause she's in Water District 12, and we're in the process right now of finalizing a Pump House which should be completed by the end of August. And then there's new Water Mains that'll be going in as well.
- Susan Simak: So, approximately, how much did they tell you that you would be paying?
- Councilwoman Bingham: About \$3,000, and then we still haven't received any Grant money yet from the state, but we've applied, and we've been approved, but we have to finish the work first.
- Susan Simak: So, it's gonna be less than the 3000?
- Councilwoman Bingham: Yes. But.
- Supervisor Cardone: That's per year.
- Councilwoman Bingham: Per year.
- Susan Simak: Yeah.
- Councilman Colon: But the other problem you have is that Water Districts vary greatly depending on the lay of the property, and what has to be done, and where it has to be put, and how long it (inaudible) how long each lines are going to be to each of the, the, the property. I mean they can give you a ballpark, but it, it could, it could very well be different than the ballpark figure they give you depending on what has to be done. You're putting in lines. You're digging in ground, and the Lord knows what happens then, so.
- Susan Simak: So, it could be way more than we (inaudible).
- Councilman Colon: I wouldn't say way more.
- Susan Simak: (Laughter)
- Councilman Colon: But I mean, I, I wouldn't be surprised if you're still paying like 25 or 20 percent more, there about. It, it's very hard to say. But I mean, you know, if it's gonna get your, you know, your mind prepared for what you may be in for. It doesn't always. I'm not saying it's a guarantee, it's gonna be more. I'm just saying that you have to understand, that depend (inaudible) nobody (inaudible) depending on the situation, and, and how big it's gonna be, and how many houses. Isn't that correct Ms. Bingham?
- Councilwoman Bingham: Right (inaudible). Yes, because the cost is divided amongst the homeowners that are in that District. It could also be somebody who owns land at that District that doesn't have a house on there right now. But because they're in the District, they would be charged probably for the Bond portion of it. They wouldn't be any using any water. That's a separate fee.
- Susan Simak: And they'll be charged the same fee?

- Councilwoman Bingham: They'll be charged a fee. Yes.
- Councilman Colon: A fee.
- Councilwoman Bingham: Because, right. It'll be less, because they won't be using any water, but they'll still have to pay for the improvements because they're part of the District, and eventually if they build a house or some kind of establishment there, they would be using it. Otherwise, they'd have to be considered an Out of District water user, and you could charge them a whole lot more.
- Supervisor Cardone: Just to clarify that, so, every person there who either has a vacant lot or a home.
- Susan Simak: Right.
- Supervisor Cardone: Is going to be charged the exact same amount for the improvements. The additional charge, is for the usage of water. So.
- Susan Simak: Oh.
- Supervisor Cardone: Whatever that cost is.
- Susan Simak: Mmm, hmm.
- Supervisor Cardone: Is the additional portion of it.
- Susan Simak: So, they're all playing the same base fee.
- Supervisor Cardone: Yes.
- Susan Simak: Yes. Okay.
- Councilman McGinn: Yeah. And ma'am, really, until such time that a full engineering assessment is done on it, you, you know, you won't really know what, what the cost is. So, instead of, you know, just wait until that gets done, and then you'll have a, and I, we'll have an idea, and you'll have an idea. The residents will have an idea of what, what it actually is. So.
- Susan Simak: We'll know that before we get.
- Supervisor Cardone: I, well, I will have numbers for you. Those numbers will be an estimate, but you have a, an extremely comprehensive analysis of the improvements that need to be done. So.
- Susan Simak: Okay. Thank you.
- Supervisor Cardone: All right thank you very much.
- Councilman Scancarello: Thank you.
- Councilman McGinn: Thank you.
- Deputy Town Clerk Valerie Bitzer: John Liter.
- John Liter: I'm John Liter. I live at 1 22nd Avenue in Arrow Park. Okay, no I just wanted to hear the follow up on this, and get an idea on the money, because one of my concerns is that, you know, with the long-term cost of this, is that, you know, compared to other homes in Monroe, it makes a home harder to sell, and I understand this was going to be paid for over a 30-year term. It would be like in 10 years decide to sell a house, it would become more difficult to do that, because somebody would look at the house, and say, "Look at this huge amount of property tax." So, that's why I just want to understand the figures. And I understand even if we didn't use water off of the system, and had a well that we would still be paying into this. That

was one of the purposes why I came here today. The other thing that I wanted to, I was curious about is that since this system, since Arrow Park has looked to, you know, sell off this water system to United Water, and others over the years, and, you know one of the reasons has gotten in this condition was partly due to their lack of maintenance, and they were a New York State Public Service Commission. A regulated water system. Do they have, in other words, should they have to put up, you know, a certain amount of money to this beyond what they had in the rental apartments, or to their own use, than just say the approximately 30 homeowners? That was, that, that was my other question.

- Supervisor Cardone: Well, let me (inaudible) our Counsel here. That was a question that this Board has had.

- John Liter: Okay.

- Supervisor Cardone: Since the start of this.

- John Liter: Okay.

- Supervisor Cardone: And I don't know if you want to expand on it?

- Counsel Nugent: In terms of whether she was, has to.

- Supervisor Cardone: Yeah.

- Counsel Nugent: Take responsibility. I, I mean, if it's a Water District, I, I don't know what the allegation is, or what you know, what we're saying, they have to take responsibility for it, so.

- Supervisor Cardone: He, he, he's.

- John Liter: Well, I'm saying some amount of (inaudible).

- Supervisor Cardone: His question is more than what the nor, the resident, residential users are taking responsibility for. If it's an equal share based on the units, or is it because they were, the water operator? Do they have more of a responsibility?

- Counsel Nugent: Yeah, I don't know. (Inaudible).

- Councilman McGinn: I, I mean, I mean listen, I think a discussion that we need to have with the current, you know, operators, or administrators for the District is what their balance is, and then you know, obviously to my thinking, and although we haven't really discussed that, I'd say whatever balance is in there that should have been used towards improvements, would be something that.

- John Liter: Okay.

- Councilman McGinn: Would be encompassed.

- John Liter: Okay.

- Councilman McGinn: When the Town takes it over.

- John Liter: Right.

- Councilman McGinn: For you know.

- John Liter: Okay.

- Councilman McGinn: To offset whatever causes you.

- John Liter: Thank you.

- Councilman McGinn: You, you know what you know what I mean?

- John Liter: Thank you. Yes, I know. Thank you. I, I understand that (inaudible).

- Councilman McGinn: I don't see that, I don't see that money being left in some kitty

somewhere. (Inaudible).

- John Liter: Yeah, no cause the thing is here is, they have asked for increases.

- Councilman McGinn: Right. Right.

- John Liter: Which were approved by the Public Service Commission.

- Councilman McGinn: Right.

- John Liter: And you know it's still, it's like things didn't happen.

- Councilman McGinn: Right.

- John Liter: To me, I understand it's water, and it's different than another utility, but it would kind of in my non-legal thinking, it would be like O&R saying, "Oh, by the way, your electrical wires in your area are old. We're gonna hit you with a surcharge." You know? Because we, we neglected to maintain them. That's, that's, that's why I feel that they, you know, I want to know what, what does, what's their financial responsibility?

- Supervisor Cardone: We'll totally understand the question.

- Councilman McGinn: Yeah, absolutely. I mean as far as the PSC saying, "Hey, you know, we didn't exercise oversight."

- John Liter: Yeah. I'm not seeing them exercising oversight.

- Councilman McGinn: I, I don't, yeah. I'm not seeing that coming you know. But I'll be honest with you, I think you would have a better chance of, of hitting lotto maybe but.

- John Liter: No. No. I understand.

- Councilman McGinn: Certainly, listen, certainly whatever the District currently has, or the, the private operators currently have, I think the Town would need to encompass that into the takeover.

- John Liter: Okay.

- Councilman McGinn: (Inaudible) for improvement purposes not.

- John Liter: Right.

- Councilman McGinn: We need it but. Just like any Water District has a, all the Water Districts of the Town have their own separate little bank account.

- John Liter: Mmm, hmm.

- Councilman McGinn: If you want to look at it that way. That, that is from the people that are taxed in that District for the water. So, that would have the same thing, whatever that is, is you know, set aside for you know, maintenance, and such.

- John Liter: Okay. Thank you. I know I exceeded my time.

- Councilman Colon: I, I, I think.

- Councilman McGinn: No worries.

- Councilwoman Bingham: The other thing Mr. Liter is, sometimes you won't necessarily see the work. Sometimes, something is done in the Pump House.

- John Liter: Right.

- Councilwoman Bingham: I don't know how far that is from where your house is, but I could tell you, like, pumps burn out.

- John Liter: I know.

- Councilwoman Bingham: And they're five, six-thousand dollars. You think you have money

in the kitty. Next thing you know, the kitty is empty.

- John Liter: Well.

- Councilwoman Bingham: So yeah. We, we would have to look into seeing what was.

- John Liter: Yeah, I don't have a background in, in water, but I do have a background in machine maintenance. So, I have an idea of you know.

- Councilman McGinn: (Inaudible).

- John Liter: What that is. So, you know, you don't need to, you know, enlighten me on that. Thank you. I'm sorry (inaudible).

- Supervisor Cardone: Thank you very much.

- Councilwoman Bingham: Thank you.

- Supervisor Cardone: No apology necessary. Thank you.

- Councilman McGinn: No worries. Thanks for commin. Appreciate it.

- John Liter: (Inaudible), and thank you for you know, applying to the State, and trying to you know, remedy this.

- Councilman Colon: Absolutely.

- John Liter: (Inaudible)

- Councilman McGinn: And to try to correct the situation.

- (Inaudible).

- Supervisor Cardone: Anyone else?

- Deputy Town Clerk Valerie Bitzer: Nadia Perry.

- Nadia Perry: Hi there. Okay. I am Nadia Perry. I'm the Treasurer of Arrow Park, and also of the Arrow Park Water District. And I must say, that in terms of the past administration before I became involved, I think one of their goals was keeping the prices of water low. And so, they never really applied for increases, and never ran it professionally. The last increase that we did apply for, the Public Service Commission actually helped us create a reasonable structure so, that at some point we would have money to take care of things. We had a, an Escrow surcharge that we put aside every quarter, and it came in handy when hurricane Isaiah's came along. Not 100%, but it did come along handy. And we have been trying to do the things that we need to, but the kafir is always run dry. And so, we are very happy that we were able to bring the Petition to you, and to ask you for your assistance, and you know to help us get to a point where the water, water can be provided to our customers properly at the right pressures, and for a reasonable cost. As best it can be at this particular point. The other thing I wanted to mention was that, and of course it just escaped me but.

- (Laughter).

- Nadia Perry: But, it's, we really appreciate your having these Hearings, and we're happy that a few of our users came the last time. Unfortunately, I was on vacation. I couldn't be here for when you began the opening, but I'm glad that they're here, and I hope that you will hear more from them either online or at future meetings so that you can come to some conclusion about what needs to be, what, what needs to be done to accept this. So, it's really a great pleasure for me to be here, and to say thank you for making this happen. Okay.

- Supervisor Cardone: Thank you.

- Councilman McGinn: Welcome (inaudible).
- Supervisor Cardone: (Inaudible) Nadia. Anyone Else.
- Deputy Town Clerk Valerie Bitzer: Signed up.
- Supervisor Cardone: Anyone else wanna speak? Nope. Okay.

Action (Resolution): 4.4 Possible Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Arrow Park Water District

2021-#267

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Motion to Keep Open the Continuation of the Public Hearing for Proposed Arrow Park Water District until July 12, 2021 at 7:00 PM or soon there-after.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone, second by Mike McGinn.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilperson - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

5. Acceptance of Minutes

Action (Resolution), Information: 5.1 Acceptance of June 7, 2021 Minutes

2021-#268

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to accept the Minutes of June 7, 2021.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone, second by Councilperson - Rick Colon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilperson - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

6. Audit of Claims

Action (Resolution), Discussion: 6.1 General Fund Abstract

2021-#269

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe requests approval of Abstract #21-10 General Fund containing Check #27144-27221 totaling \$405,737.88.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone, second by Councilperson - Rick Colon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone, Councilperson - Rick Colon, Mike McGinn, Mary Bingham, Sal Scancarello

7. Budgetary Transfer Requests

Action (Resolution), Discussion: 7.1 Abstract of Budget Transfers

2021-#270

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe requests approval of Abstract #21-02.

Date of Audit: June 21, 2021

DATE GL NO. DESCRIPTION Account Transf From Transf To
6/21/2021 Reallocation of GASB funds

Gasb 34 Fixed Assets Contractual A000-1320-4500-01 750.00

GASB 75 OPEB Contractual A000-1320-4500-02 750.00

Reallocation of Legal Funds

Legal Contractual Gen & Admin A000-1421-4010-00 6,500.00

Bond Counsel A000-1420-4000-02 6,500.00

Adj funding shortfall in Animal Control

Shared Services Other Expenses A000-1620-4109-00 21.25

Dog Control Contractual A000-3510-4500-00 21.25

To adjust PS funding from FT to PT

Highway Admin Senior Clerk PS FT A000-5010-1011-00 54,000.00

Highway Admin PS PT A000-5010-1030-01 54,000.00

Reallocation of Mombasha Park Funds

Mombasha Park Repairs & Maintenance A000-7121-4303-00 80.00

Mombasha Park Refuse A000-7121-4230-00 80.00

To Fund unexpected expenses

Safety Inspection Education, Mtgs,Dues B000-3620-4189-00 500.00

Safety Inspection Equipment B000-3620-2000-00 500.00

Reallocation of DAB Funds

Bus Operations Miscellaneous A000-5630-4109-00 216.00

Bus Operations Contractual A000-5630-4500-00 216.00

Contingency Funding Request to Fund Water PS OT

Contingency Account SW00-1990-0000-00 5,000.00

Water Department PS 1.5 OT SW00-8310-1051-00 5,000.00

Reallocation of Water Department Funding

Water Department PS 2.0 OT SW00-8310-1052-00 240.00

Water Miscellaneous SW00-8310-4109-00 100.00

Reallocation of Water District #8 Funding

WD #8 Maintenance Contractual SW08-8340-4504-00 2991.00

WD #8 BAN Interest - Water Tank SW08-9730-7000-00 420.66

WD #8 BAN Interest - Water Mains SW08-9730-7000-01 2570.34

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Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

8. Presentations

Discussion Presentations: 8.1 RD Management

The following spoke during the presentation by RD Management regarding Town owned land on Larkin Drive. To hear presentation and Town Board Members comments please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #8.1 0:26:56.

- Mr. Lithco
- Pat Smith
- Chirag Thakkar

9. New Business

Action (Resolution): 9.1 Pollinator Protection

To hear Councilwoman Bingham regarding Pollinator Protection please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #9.1 1:04:22.

2021-#271

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made the following Resolution by Councilwoman Bingham and seconded by Councilman McGinn.

RESOLUTION FOR POLLINATOR PROTECTION

WHEREAS bees and other pollinators are a crucial component of a healthy ecosystem and a vital link in our food system providing the pollination responsible for over three quarters of the world's plant species and for one out of every three bites of food that we eat; and

WHEREAS pollinator populations are in sharp decline due to human land use practices that are causing ongoing habitat loss and fragmentation the expansion of pesticide use by consumers and professionals the spread of pathogens and parasites and global climate change; and

WHEREAS extensive research has documented that neonicotinoids and other systemic

pesticides have been shown to cause illness and death to honey bees native bees butterflies moths other insect pollinators and beneficial insects; and

WHEREAS guidelines for land management best practices are available that allow residents businesses farms towns and land trusts to manage their land in ways that increase pollinator forage and nest sites while decreasing maintenance costs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that:

Section 1. All "Whereas" clauses are hereby incorporated by reference as though set forth in full herein.

Section 2. The Town Board hereby declares the Town of Monroe a Pollinator Friendly Community. Town encourages the adoption of policies and practices that support and encourage pollinator health by minimizing the use of insecticides.

Section 3. The Town of Monroe will set an example by adopting the pollinator friendly practices below and encourage property owners residents Town Departments business owners and land trusts to adopt pollinator-friendly practices including:

- a. Planting more pollinator-supporting forage on their property emphasizing native plant species and adopting organizing or chemical-free lawn and landscaping practices; and
- b. Avoiding the planting of flowering plants that are treated with systemic insecticides and avoiding the use of seeds coated with systemic neonicotinoids; and
- c. Avoiding the use of insecticides including systemic insecticides on their property; and
- d. Reducing the mowing schedule to no more than once a week and once every two weeks where practicable.

Section 4. The Town Supervisor and any other officer or employee as directed by the Town Supervisor shall take any and all necessary actions to carry out the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 5. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Yea Nay Abstain Absent

Anthony Cardone Supervisor [X] [] [] []

Michael McGinn Councilperson [X] [] [] []

Richard Colon Councilperson [X] [] [] []

Mary Bingham Councilperson [X] [] [] []

Sal Scancarello Councilperson [X] [] [] []

The Resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

Motion by Mary Bingham second by Mike McGinn.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 9.2 Town of Monroe Landfill Post-Closure Monitoring (PCM) Program

2021-#272

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign the proposal submitted by Sterling Environmental Engineering P.C. to conduct the Town of Monroe Landfill Post-Closure Monitoring (PCM) Program. The Annual site inspection and PCM event is scheduled to be performed in June 2021. Total cost estimate is \$9990.

Motion by Councilperson - Rick Colon second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 9.3 Car Wash at Town Hall Parking Lot

To hear Supervisor Cardone and Board Members discussion regarding Car Wash at Town Hall Parking Lot please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #9.3 1:09:31.

2021-#273

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion approving the use of the Town Hall parking lot on July 11 2021 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. by Eagle Scout Candidate Michael Portanova for his car wash fundraising event in support of his Eagle Scout project to be completed at Town Hall. Required Certificate of Insurance has been submitted.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 9.4 Assessor's Conference

To hear Supervisor Cardone and Board Members discussion regarding Assessor's Conference please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #9.4 1:10:47.

2021-#274

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to approve request for Royce Noblin Town of Monroe Assessor to attend the 2021 Cornell Seminar on Appraising from July 11 - July 16 2021.

Conference cost: \$550

Hotel accommodations: \$670 for a 5-night stay

Total cost including meal allowance: \$1220.00

**Approving to go \$1400 max

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Councilperson - Rick Colon.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

Information: 9.5 Assessor's Car Lease

To hear Supervisor Cardone and Board Members comments regarding Assessor's Car Lease please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #9.5 1:12:03.

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 9.6 Correction to Item #9.4 Assessor's Conference

To hear Supervisor Cardone and Board Members regarding Correction to Item #9.4 Assessor's Conference please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #9.6 1:13:17.

2021-#275

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to withdraw previous Motion to Item #9.4 Assessor's Conference to be Approve request for Royce Noblin Town of Monroe Assessor to attend the 2021 Cornell Seminar on Appraising from July 11 -

July 16 2021.

Conference cost: \$550

Meals & Nights at Homewood Suites total \$1010.00 for a 5-night stay

Total cost including meal allowance: \$1560

**Approving to go \$1600 max

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 9.7 ZBA Escrow Refund

2021-#276

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to return of the balance of Resident Brad Helm Escrow Account (\$2300) as he has pulled his application that was before the ZBA for an area variance. Fees to David MacCartney for his time have been paid with a zero balance remaining.

Motion by Councilperson - Rick Colon second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

10. Old Business

Action (Resolution) Discussion: 10.1 Hourly Rate Update: Part-Time Bus Drivers Dial-A-Bus

2021-#277

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Corrected Resolution to reflect the current hourly rate of \$23.28 for Dial-A-Bus Part-Time Bus Drivers Luis Melendez and Ernst Eristil who recently returned to work after a furlough period.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Mary Bingham.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

Action (Resolution): 10.2 Verizon Wireless 40 1/2 Barr Lane

2021-#278

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe to set Bond Amount regarding 40 1/2 Barr Lane Monroe Equipment Removal Plan by Verizon Wireless Telecommunications.

Estimation from Town Engineer (McGoey Hauser Edsall) was \$28637.50. Bond will be based on this amount rounding off to \$30000 for Performance and Restoration Bond necessary for the project.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

11. New Business

Action (Resolution) Information: 11.1 Sound System Surplus Equipment

To hear Supervisor Cardone and George Carney regarding Sound System Surplus Equipment please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #11.1 1:16:54.

2021-#279

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to Surplus the following Equipment in regards to the sound-system.

(1) Shore MX 418 DC Microphone for \$100.00

(1) Berringer 8 Channel Mixer \$100.00

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Mary Bingham.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

Action (Resolution) Information: 11.2 Wiring of Leightronix Control System

2021-#280

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made a Motion to approve purchase of Wiring for Leightronix Control System. (2 days of labor)

Cable Replacements - \$120.00

Labor - \$1200.00 (approximately)

Totaling \$1320

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

Action (Resolution) Information: 11.3 Resolution Referring CCR Application to Town Planning Board

To hear Supervisor Cardone and Counsel Nugent regarding Resolution Referring CCR Application to Town Planning Board please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #11.3 1:19:29.

2021-#281

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe Made the following Resolution by Supervisor Cardone and seconded by Councilman Scancarello.

RESOLUTION REFERRING CCR APPLICATION TO TOWN PLANNING BOARD

WHEREAS the Town is in receipt of a Master Development Plan ("MDP") Application from Parish Property Management Inc. 11 7th Street Pelham NY 10803 on Tax Map Parcel Section 33 Block 1 Lot 1.21; and

WHEREAS pursuant to Article XXI (Special Planning Districts) the Town Board desires to refer the MDP Application to the Town Planning Board for review and recommendation of the Planning Board.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that:

Section 1. All "Whereas" clauses are hereby incorporated by reference as though set forth in full herein.

Section 2. Pursuant to Town Code Section 57-94(B)(5) the Town Board hereby refers the MDP Application to the Town Planning Board for a recommendation and report to the Town Board.

Section 3. The Town Board hereby expresses its consent that the Planning Board act as Lead Agency for this Application pursuant to SEQRA.

Section 4. The Town Supervisor and any official employee or consultant as directed by the Town Supervisor are hereby authorized to take any and all necessary actions to carry out the provisions of this Resolution.

Section 5. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Yea Nay Abstain Absent

Anthony Cardone Supervisor [X] [] [] []

Michael McGinn Councilperson [X] [] [] []

Richard Colon Councilperson [X] [] [] []

Mary Bingham Councilperson [X] [] [] []

Sal Scancarello Councilperson [X] [] [] []

The Resolution was thereupon duly adopted.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

12. Public Comment

Information: 12.1 Rules for Public Comment

Discussion Information: 12.2 Public Comment

The following spoke during Public Comment. To hear their comments and Town Board members responses please go on-line to Board Doc's Video Clip #12.2 1:21:35.

- Lorraine Loening

13. Possible motion to adjourn to Executive and or/ Attorney Client Session

Information: 13.1 Enter into Executive Session

NO ACTION TAKEN AT THIS TIME.

14. Return to Regular Meeting

Information: 14.1 Return to Regular Meeting

NO ACTION TAKEN AT THIS TIME.

15. Adjournment

Action (Resolution): 15.1 Adjournment of Meeting

2021-#282

BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe adjourns the meeting of June 21 2021 at 8:28 PM.

Motion by Supervisor -Tony Cardone second by Sal Scancarello.

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Aye: Supervisor -Tony Cardone Councilperson - Rick Colon Mike McGinn Mary Bingham Sal Scancarello

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