

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTEBELLO WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2019 AT DR. JEFFREY OPPENHEIM COMMUNITY CENTER, 350 HAVERSTRAW ROAD, MONTEBELLO, NEW YORK. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 8:00 P.M. FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Present:	Lance N. Millman Stacy Caridi Melanie Golden Steven H. Beldock Evan T. Kuperman	Mayor Deputy Mayor Trustee Trustee Trustee
Others Present:	Warren E. Berbit	Village Attorney
Recording Secretary:	Joan Will	Village Clerk-Treasurer

### **Deputy Mayor's Report:**

Mayor Millman wished to thank everyone who came out to the Concert in the Park featuring "Dead on the Tracks" band. There were about 80 residents in attendance and two food trucks. The Village provided free water bottles to anyone as well. It was a beautiful day to sit in the park and listen to music and the Mayor hopes next year's event will be even more well attended.

The Mayor announced that all the scheduled roads have been resurfaced and striped. He asked that if anyone has any paving or roadway issues to please let Village Hall be aware.

Mayor Millman announced that he received a letter from County Executive Ed Day regarding the country's decennial Census starting April 2020 information meeting. He stated the importance of a Census and that volunteers would be needed. More information will become available after the meeting.

Mayor Millman stated that our auditors, EFPR Group, has finished our Year Ending 2018 Audit and he stated that the Village is financially sound as we have been in the past. He also stated that Moody's contacted the Village to remind us to submit to them this report. Mayor Millman was pleased to say all would be accomplished this week.

### **Historic Preservation and Parks Commission (HPPC):**

Co-chairperson Amy Rapoport of the HPPC stated that the commission did not hold an August meeting but would be holding a September meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup>. Co-chairperson Rapoport stated that she would like to have three large caliper shade trees installed on the Village Hall property near the tot park. She would like to have oak trees that do not produce acorns and will contact the Rockland County Cooperative Extension for information regarding this type. She also stated that she would make sure that the trees are deep rooted and would like a drip line installed from the gazebo spigot to the trees in order to water them.

### **Public Comment:**

Amy Rapoport of West Gate Road stated she noticed a growing hole on the newly paved Route 202 between Regis Court and Mayor Drive. She stated that someone had already spray painted to mark the hole. She contacted the Rockland County Highway Department and they advised her it would be repaired.

With no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Millman closed this portion of the meeting.

**Resolution No. 19 – 101**

Village of Montebello

Title: Approval of Abstract & Schedule of Claims

BE IT RESOLVED, the Abstract and Schedule of Claims dated September 18, 2019, and totaling \$65,326.88 hereby approved, and the claims listed hereon shall be paid.

Motion: Deputy Mayor Caridi

Second: Trustee Kuperman

Upon vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

**Resolution No. 19 - 102**

Village of Montebello

Title: Approval of Abstract & Schedule of Claims – Professional Fees

BE IT RESOLVED, the Abstract and Schedule of Claims-Professional Fee dated September 18, 2019 for Professional Fees, and totaling \$9,580.75 hereby approved, and the claims listed hereon shall be paid.

Motion: Deputy Mayor Caridi

Second: Trustee Kuperman  
Upon vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

**Resolution No. 19 - 103**

Village of Montebello

Title: Approval of Minutes for August 21, 2019

BE IT RESOLVED, the minutes of the Board of Trustees of August 21, 2019 be and are hereby approved.

Motion: Deputy Mayor Caridi

Second: Trustee Beldock

Upon vote, motion carries unanimously.

**Resolution No. 19 - 104**

Village of Montebello

Title: Village Insurance Renewal- September 7, 2019- September 7, 2020

WHEREAS, it is prudent that the Village maintain insurance coverage for loss to property, general liability, auto, hired car-non owner auto, crime, public officials, boiler/machinery, and umbrella liability, etc., as has been covered in prior year, the coverage for which is expired on September 7, 2019; and

WHEREAS, last year competitive proposals were sought via our broker, Salerno Brokerage, such coverages remain available this year at a still optimized cost as set forth hereafter, the total cost being about \$1,845.68 higher than last year; and

WHEREAS, upon oral approval Salerno Brokerage bound up said coverage given the September 7<sup>th</sup> cut-off; and

WHEREAS, Salerno Brokerage described the proposals it received in its letter dated and received August 30, 2019 a true copy of which with attachments shall be appended to the Minutes hereof as if a part of the Resolution, as summarized as follows:

	<b>American Alternative</b>
<b>Property, General Liability and Automobile (American Alternative)</b>	<b>\$30,540.26</b>
<b>Public Officials/ (ACE) Employment Practices</b>	<b>\$6,024.00</b>
<b>Municipal Automobile (American Alternative)</b>	<b>Included</b>
<b>Umbrella (American Alternative)</b>	<b>\$11,760.00</b>
<b>Public Employees Blanket Bond (Utica)</b>	<b>\$504.00</b>
<b>Cyber Insurance (ACE)</b>	<b>\$1,584.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$50,412.26</b>

;and

WHEREAS, Salerno Brokerage recommends that said coverage be obtained as afore described in the best interest of the Village.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that insurance coverage as afore-described for the Village be renewed with American Alternative, and the associated coverages as brokered by Salerno Brokerage for the period of September 7, 2019 to September 7, 2020, at the cost of \$50,412.26, such found to be reasonable and prudent, all factors considered; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the terms and conditions of such insurances and undertaking shall be as set forth on the face of same, which policies and undertaking shall be considered appended to the minutes hereof as if fully set forth hereinafter.

Motion: Trustee Golden

Second: Deputy Mayor Caridi

Upon vote, resolution carried unanimously.

**Resolution: 19 - 105**

Village of Montebello

Title: Allocation from Shade Tree Account

Motion, upon the recommendation of the Village Clerk – Treasurer to authorize an allocation of \$6,425.00 from the Shade Tree Account for plantings on Par Road, Senator Levy Drive, Oxford Drive, Coe Farm Road and Warren Berbit Nature Preserve (Spook Rock Road) as proposed by Belleville Landscaping Inc. a copy of the proposal to be included as a part hereof.

Motion: Trustee Golden

Second: Deputy Mayor Caridi

Upon vote, this motion carried unanimously.

Co-chairperson Amy Rapoport of the HPPC stated that members of the previous Parks Commission submitted a listing of trees for possible replacement. Village Clerk will resubmit to the Village Engineer for his opinion, but that list lacked identifying details.

Tabled a discussion on correcting depth of parking spaces per discrepancy in code.

**Public Comment:**

With no one from the Public wishing to speak, Mayor Millman closed this portion of the meeting.

**Old / New Business**

Trustee Kuperman stated that he has been observing excessive wild creature within the area and wondered if anyone had a solution for him. It was noted we are near Harriman Park and wild creatures are at home.

Trustee Kuperman stated that residents should be reminded to not leave out bird feeders, never feed the animals, and to not put trash or recycling out until the morning of pickup. He stated that more information regarding the wildlife of Montebello could be found at: [www.dec.ny.gov](http://www.dec.ny.gov). It was pointed out that our website has an article on this, as well as our newsletter.

At 8:38 PM Deputy Mayor Caridi made a motion to enter executive session to discuss legal issues with the Village Attorney and contract negotiation issues, seconded by Trustee Golden. Vote carried unanimously.

At 9:32 PM Deputy Mayor Caridi made a motion to exit executive session, seconded by Trustee Golden. Vote carried unanimously.

At 9:33 PM, Deputy Mayor Caridi made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Trustee Golden. Vote carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

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Joan Will, Village Clerk - Treasurer