

**PUBLIC HEARING 2.15.22 – 7:00 PM
INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW #2 OF 2022
“MODIFYING CHAPTER 145 OF THE VILLAGE CODE NOISE”**

A Public Hearing was held on Tuesday February 15, 2022 in the boardroom of the Village Hall, 7 Stage Road, Monroe, NY at 7:00 PM to review a proposed Local Law entitled “Modifying Chapter 145 of the Village Code Noise.” The Village Board of Trustees finds and determines that the public interest would be served by modifying Chapter 145 of the Village Code, titled, “Noise,” to further define what constitutes a unreasonable noise and provide definitive measurement for the purpose of enforcement.

Present: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl
Also present: Attorney Terhune, Deputy Clerk Zahra, Police Chief Guzman, Treasurer Murray, Building Inspector Cocks, and Water Plant Operator Mabee

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Alley, and carried, the public hearing was opened at 7:00 PM.

There were 13 people from the public present for the public hearing. There was no written correspondence received. The public hearing was left open for 15 minutes.

Lorraine Loening thanked the Board for revisiting the Village Code on Noise. She expressed her concerns about duration, penalties, and policing. She thought the proposed local law was a great start, she wasn’t sure if it was ready for a vote.

Joe Umberto would like the Board to take a look at the proposed law again. He expressed his concerns for enforcement. He has issues with commercial vehicles making noise at all hours of the day and night with the backup beep noise. He knows the noise is there for safety reasons, but feels that commercial vehicles should be kept out of residential areas. His quality of life is being affected.

With no further comments or questions, on a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Alley and carried, the public hearing was closed at 7:15 PM.

To hear the entire text of this Public Hearing, please reference the audio on file in the Village Clerk’s Office.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2022
(www.villageofmonroe.org)**

The second of the bi-monthly meetings of the Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, February 15, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the Boardroom of the Village Hall, 7 Stage Road, Monroe, New York. Mayor Neil Dwyer called the meeting to order and led in the pledge to the flag. Emergency exits were announced.

Present: Mayor Dwyer; Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl
Also present: Attorney Terhune, Deputy Clerk Zahra, Police Chief Guzman, Treasurer Murray, Building Inspector Cocks, and Water Plant Operator Mabee

MINUTE APPROVAL: FEBRUARY 1, 2022 BOARD MEETING:

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Alley, the Minutes of the February 1, 2022 Board Meeting were approved.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl
Nays: None

BUDGETARY TRANSFERS / MODIFICATIONS:

On a motion by Trustee Behringer, seconded by Trustee Alley, and carried, it was:

From:	Description	To:	Description	Amount	
F.9950.920	Transfer Dist Equip Rsv	F.8340.454	Distribution General Maintenance	15,000.00	to cover well # 4 rehabilitation
F.9950.940	Transfer Purification Rsv	F.8340.454	Distribution General Maintenance	15,000.00	to cover well # 4 rehabilitation
Budget Modifications					
A.2260	Police Services	A.3120.435	PD Grants OT	5,420.60	Raise Rev/Exp lines re OT Grants
A.2705	Gifts & Donations	A.3120.410	PD General Expense	2,800.00	Raise Rev/Exp lines re donation for K9
A.2115	Planning Board Fees	A.8025.450	Plan Bd Enginner Contract	7,400.00	Raise Rev/Exp lines re plan bd fees collected/eng contract

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorized the Treasurer to make the following fund transfers / modifications to balance the budget:

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

PROBATION COMPLETION: F. PACE, T. CUNNINGHAM, A. BATTIATO, T. STAIANO, K. LUNDGREN, & T. ALSDORF:

On a motion by Trustee Behringer, seconded by Trustee Alley, and carried, it was:

RESOLVED, the following employees have completed their probation and in accordance with Orange County Civil Service Rules the Board approves their permanent appointments effective:

5/7/20 - Frank Pace, P/T Code Enforcement Officer
4/1/20 – Thomas Cunningham, P/T Deputy Village Treasurer
9/24/21 – Anthony Battiato, Heavy Equipment Operator
9/24/21 – Timothy Staiano, Heavy Equipment Operator
9/24/21 – Keith Lundgren, Heavy Equipment Operator
4/2/20 – Thomas Alsdorf, Laborer

The necessary MSD 426-B will be submitted to OC Department of Human Resources.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

PROBATION COMPLETION – POLICE DEPARTMENT: A. TROVATO & M. DELESIO:

On a motion by Trustee Behringer, seconded by Trustee Alley, and carried, it was:

RESOLVED, the following employees have completed their probation and in accordance with Orange County Civil Service Rules the Board approves their permanent appointments effective:

11/16/21 – Alexandria Trovato, F/T Dispatcher
12/2/21 – Macen DeLesio, P/T Dispatcher

The necessary MSD 426-B will be submitted to OC Department of Human Resources.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

EVENT APPLICATION – MS WALK:

The National MS Society submitted an event application to host their annual MS Walk utilizing the Commuter Parking Lot on Millpond Parkway and the walking paths in Crane Park on Sunday, April 10, 2022 from 8AM to 2PM. This request includes approval for setup on Saturday, April 9, 2022. Setup includes tents, tables, portable toilets, and a dumpster. The organization has provided proof they are a 501C3.

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Behringer, and carried, it was:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees approves the request of the National MS Society, 733 Third Avenue, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10017, to utilize the Commuter Parking Lot on Millpond Parkway and the walking paths in Crane Park to host their annual walk on Sunday, April 10, 2022 from 8AM to 2PM. Approval was given for setup on Saturday, April 9, 2022 from 2PM to 7PM. Sign-off on the event application has been made by the Building Department, Highway Department, and Police Department. There is no additional cost for Police Protection. The Monroe Police Department will assign an Officer to monitor the vehicular and pedestrian traffic during the hours of the event. Proof of Liability insurance has been provided.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

On a motion by Trustee Behringer, seconded by Trustee Karl, and carried, it was:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees has waived the event application fee due to the National MS Society providing proof they are a 501C3.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW #2 OF 2022 – MODIFYING CHAPTER 145 OF THE VILLAGE CODE “NOISE”:

The Board has decided to table this matter for further discussion until the Tuesday, March 1, 2022 Meeting.

PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION #4 – HIGH STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT:

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Behringer, it was:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees accepts the recommendation of Village Engineer, John O’Rourke P.E., and approves Payment No. 4 for the period ending January 31, 2022 submitted by Ground Control Excavating, 63 Waterbury Rd. Warwick, NY 10990, for the High Street Water Main Replacement project in the amount of \$63,531.63. All documentation has been reviewed and found complete. Mayor Dwyer is hereby authorized to sign the voucher for payment.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

DISCUSSION - NORTH & SOUTH PONDS DREDGING SERVICE:

Mayor Dwyer started the discussion making sure the Board has had time to review the proposal for the dredging of the North and South Ponds. He asked the Board to comment on the proposal.

Trustee Behringer asked if there was any possible way to lessen the expense.

Trustee Karl feels that the ponds are very shallow to begin with and doesn’t feel that digging two feet deeper will be sufficient enough.

The Board agrees funding seems to be an issue for this project. They will speak with Grant Writers to see what state and federal funding is available. Perhaps there is additional funding available for the Parks and this project could fall in that parameter.

APPOINTMENT – F/T POLICE OFFICER ANDRES MUNOZ:

On a motion by Trustee Behringer, seconded by Trustee Karl, it was:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees approves the recommendation of Police Chief Guzman to hire Andres Munoz to the position of Full-Time Police Officer from the Orange County List of Eligibles, Exam #65212. The appointment requires Mr. Munoz to attend the six-month “Basic Police Officer” academy to be held at Orange County Police Chief’s Academy starting February 21, 2022. The cost of the academy is \$2,000.00, which will be allocated from budget line A.3120.472, PD Education. The required Department application, background check, psychological, physical and drug screening through the Orange County Department of Human Resources has been completed. The effective date of hire is February 16, 2022 with a starting salary of \$59,800.00.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

CONSENT TO BE LEAD AGENCY / VILLAGE OF MONROE PLANNING BOARD, RAMAPO STREET COMMERCIAL BUILDING (TM #220-4-1):

On a motion by Trustee Behringer, seconded by Trustee Karl, it was:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees consents to the Planning Board being Lead Agency on the Ramapo Street Commercial Building project currently before them.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

INTRO TO LL #3 OF 2022 – AMENDING CHAPTER 200 (ZONING) TO AMEND REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO HOTELS & SET PUBLIC HEARING:

On a motion by Trustee Behringer, seconded by Trustee Alley, it was:

BE IT RESOLVED that an introductory Local Law, titled “A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 200 (ZONING) TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO HOTELS,” is hereby introduced by Mayor Dwyer before the Board of Trustees of the Village of Monroe, County of Orange, State of New York; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of the aforesaid proposed Local Law be laid upon the desk of each member of the Board of Trustees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees shall hold a public hearing on said proposed local law at the Village Hall, 7 Stage Road, Monroe, New York at 7:00 PM on March 1, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Deputy Village Clerk shall publish or cause to be published a public notice in the official newspaper of the Village of Monroe no later than (10) days prior thereto.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Alley, it was:

The Board of Trustees declares Lead Agency for the purpose of completing SEQRA on this matter.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

INTRO TO LL #4 OF 2022 – AMENDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONROE BY ADDING CHAPTER 58, TITLED, “RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS” TO EXPAND RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR APPOINTED VILLAGE OFFICIALS & SET PUBLIC HEARING:

On a motion by Trustee Behringer, seconded by Trustee Alley, it was:

BE IT RESOLVED that an introductory Local Law, titled “AMENDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE LEGISLATION OF THE VILLAGE OF MONROE BY ADDING CHAPTER 58, TITLED, “RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS” TO EXPAND RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR APPOINTED VILLAGE OFFICIALS” is hereby introduced by Mayor Dwyer before the Board of Trustees of the Village of Monroe, County of Orange, State of New York; and

BE IT FURTHER RESLOVED that copies of the aforesaid proposed Local Law be laid upon the desk of each member of the Board of Trustees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Trustees shall hold a public hearing on said proposed local law at the Village Hall, 7 Stage Road, Monroe, New York at 7:10PM on March 1, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Deputy Village Clerk shall publish or cause to be published a public notice in the official newspaper of the Village of Monroe no later than five (5) days prior thereto.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

RESIGNATION – SHANNAN O’HARA-LEVI, MONROE JOINT PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION:

On a motion by Trustee Behringer, seconded by Trustee Alley, it was:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees accepts with regret the resignation of Shannan O’Hara-Levi, member of the Monroe Joint Parks Recreation Commission effective March 1, 2022. The Board of Trustees thanks Ms. O’Hara-Levi for her dedication and commitment to the betterment of Smith’s Clove Park.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE – MONROE JOINT PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION VACANCY:

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Alley, it was:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorizes Deputy Village Clerk Zahra to advertise to fill the vacancies on the Monroe Joint Parks Recreation Commission created by the resignations of Shannan O’Hara-Levi, whose term expires 12/31/23 and Anthony Vaccaro, whose term expires 12/31/22.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl

Nays: None

AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE – VILLAGE OF MONROE PLANNING BOARD VACANCY:

On a motion by Trustee Behringer, seconded by Trustee Karl, it was:

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorizes Deputy Village Clerk Zahra to advertise to fill the vacancy for the Village of Monroe Planning Board created by the resignation of Geraldine DeAngelis, whose term expires 1/1/23.

Ayes: Trustees Alley, Behringer and Karl
Nays: None

MAYOR & TRUSTEE'S REPORT:

Trustee Karl inquired about the dead trees around the ponds. Mayor Dwyer said a letter has been sent return receipt to NYSDOT about the trees across from Monroe Farm Market, 687 Rt 17M on the South Pond. The willow trees on the North Pond will need to go out to bid.

Trustee Karl also asked who has been enforcing snow issues on the sidewalk. Mayor Dwyer said DPW has been the enforcer.

Trustee Karl asked about the water main break that occurred on Lake Street. Attorney Terhune said that would be a discussion for Executive Session.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

PUBLIC COMMENT: # PRESENT 5 TIME: 8:30 PM

John Halo, resident of 10 Forshee Street, spoke with the Board about flooding issues he has on his property. He brought pictures along to share with the Board. He feels that improper paving throughout the years has created this issue and would like to see it repaired.

Lorraine Loening shared her thoughts about the Pond dredging and feels it would be more cost efficient to let the pond go and become a meadow.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

On a motion by Trustee Behringer, seconded by Trustee Karl and carried, following a 5-minute recess, the Board convened in Executive Session at 8:35PM for discussion of Attorney Client.

OPEN SESSION: on a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Behringer and carried, the Open Meeting resumed at 9:25PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Behringer and carried, no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kimberly Zahra
Deputy Clerk

MONTHLY REPORTS:

On a motion by Trustee Alley, seconded by Trustee Behringer, with all in favor, the department monthly reports were accepted and filed.

JANUARY 2022 VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT SUBMITTED BY KIMBERLY ZAHRA, DEPUTY CLERK:

1. Minutes prepared, processed associated correspondence and Legal Notices completed for the January 4th and January 18th Board of Trustee's Meeting.
2. Permits issued: Handicap Parking: 7 Garage Sale: 0 Solicitor/Peddling: 1 Road Opening: 0 Blasting Permit: 0 Liquor License: 1 Towing Permits: 4
3. Processed 0 Event Applications.
4. Public Hearings Held: 0
5. Closed out mailing machine for month on 1/31.
6. Bi-Weekly payroll worksheets completed and submitted.
7. Collected November water rents.
8. Required paperwork filed with O.C. Department of Human Resources.
9. Oversee updates and maintenance, of Village Website and Constant Contact. (16 sent)
10. Daily retrieval of messages left during the day and after hours. Forwarded messages and responded as required.
11. Vouchers completed as required. Transmittal of money collected completed and bank deposits done.
12. Scan and email pertinent information to Board and Attorney.
13. Participated in Board of Elections Webinar on January 19, 2022.

JANUARY 2022 JUSTICE COURT REPORT:

Total Fines: \$42,746.50 Total Surcharges: \$9,307.00 Total Parking: \$2,365.00
Total Civil Fees: \$2,630.00 Bail Poundage Collected: \$0.00 Total Bail Forfeited: \$0.00
Total for January: \$57,048.50

Vehicle & Traffic Tickets: 264 Disposed: 343
Criminal Cases: 21 Disposed: 28 Civil Cases: 1 Disposed: 1
Paid Parking Tickets: 56 Dismissed Traffic Tickets: 47

JANUARY 2022 POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT SUBMITTED BY DARWIN GUZMAN, CHIEF:

CALLS FOR SERVICE

TOTAL CALLS – 1,892

CASES/CRIMINAL OFFENSE – 108

ARRESTS – 54

TRAFFIC REPORT

TRAFFIC TICKETS – 254

PARKING TICKETS – 120

GAS – \$2,963.66 / 1,119G

MVA's – 25

TRAINING

Intro to Drug Categories DUI – Freeman

Intro to Drug Categories CNS – Freeman

Mastering Consent Searches – Freeman

Crisis Intervention Teams for Youth – Payton

EMT Original – Hansen

EMT Refresher - Gayler / Farningham

**JANUARY 2022 FILTRATION PLANT REPORT SUBMITTED BY ERNEST MABEE,
CHIEF OPERATOR:**

Production: Lake Mombasha: 29,824,251 27,653,804 Gallons LY 2021
Well #4: 2,301,349 5,779,993 Gallons LY 2021

Consumption: 32,125,600 Gallons / 33,854,971 Gallons LY 2021

Water Samples / Testing: Passed

Rainfall: 2.68"

Reservoir: full

Miscellaneous:

Mark Outs

2 Reservoir Inspections

Final Water Reads

Daily Equipment Maintenance at Plant and Well

Weekly and Monthly Water Testing to Lab, All Results Good

Updated Diamond Maps

Read Meters

Karl from Aqua Logics her to Install New Turbidity Machine

Repaired Water Main Break on Forge Road and Winchester Drive

Layne Christensen Well 4 Rehabilitation

**JANUARY 2022 DPW SUBMITTED BY LARRY GIUDICE, HEAVY EQUIPMENT
OPERATOR:**

- 1. Garbage removal in Village and around ponds seven times.**
- 2. Fuel light towers.**
- 3. Put out garbage cans on Lake Street.**
- 4. Walk streams in the Village.**
- 5. Repaired lights between Ponds.**
- 6. Pulled out the mums in the Park.**
- 7. Cut and chop fallen tree on Orange Turnpike.**
- 8. Repair water main break on Forge Road and blacktop.**
- 9. Repair water valve on Forge Road.**
- 10. Go over all plow trucks and equipment and clean.**
- 11. Picked up Christmas trees.**
- 12. Repair water main break on Lake Street.**
- 13. Clean catch basin tops.**
- 14. Took down Christmas lights and decorations.**
- 15. Fill potholes around Village.**
- 16. Plowed all roads 10 times.**
- 17. Salted all roads 14 times.**
- 18. Uptown snow clean-up.**
- 19. Removed snow form Village streets.**
- 20. Snow blow and salt bike trail**
- 21. Snow blow Village sidewalks.**
- 22. Checked roads for ice.**
- 23. Cleaned shop and yard.**

JANUARY 2022 BUILDING DEPARTMENT AS SUBMITTED BY ASSISTANT BUILDING INSPECTOR PROULX:

Building Permits Issued:	27
Rental Inspections Completed:	10
Title Searches Completed:	35
Violations Issued:	2
Warnings Issued:	21
Building Permit Inspections Performed:	69
C.O's Issued:	27
Complaint Inspections:	67
Fire Inspections:	1

Open, active building permits: 481

FOIL Requests: 5

Building Permit Fees:	\$ 28,216.12
Rental Permit Fees:	225.00
Fire Inspection Fees:	0.00
Title Search Fees:	<u>3,900.00</u>
Total Collected Fees:	\$ 32,341.12

Monthly Assessor's Report

Monthly report to FD for Solar

Daily cash deposits to Clerk

Bi Monthly mailing for expired permits

Attendance at Planning Board Meetings, Village Board, and ZBA Meetings

MONROE FIRE DISTRICT OFFICERS 2022:

Commissioners: Thomas Sullivan – Chairman, Jason Kalter – Vice Chairman, John Centofanti, Pat Patterson, Tom Lowe

Secretary: Kathleen Aherne

Treasurer: Richard Goldstein

Chief Rich Lenahan, 1st Ass't Chief Jon Dolch, 2nd Asst. Chief John Scherne

JANUARY 2022 TREASURER'S REPORT SUBMITTED BY CATHERINE MURRAY:

Treasurer's Report Village of Monroe January 2021

SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY (REVENUES)

Bank interest	613
Sale Tax	201,034
Planning Board Fees	6,597
Police Services	5,053
Rental Real Property	7,446
Building Permits	30,832
Fines & Forfeited Bail	25,189

SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY (EXPENDITURES)

Auditor Contractual	12,500
Law Contractual	5,213
Law Contractual/Other Atty	15,154
PD Contractual	14,177
St Maint Equipment Maintenance	11,318
Snow Removal Salt	22,950
St Lighting Street	9,239
Distribution Contractual (Water Fund)	189,012

WC Insurance - General Fund	13,306
- Water Fund	6,725
	20,031

Health Insurance - General Fund	131,421
- Water Fund	17,593
	149,014

STATUS OF FY2021 CONTINGENCY ACCOUNTS

CURRENT BALANCE

General Fund Appropriation -budgeted	\$133,239	133,239
Water Fund Appropriation -budgeted	\$25,000	25,000

COMMENTS:

We have completed 8 months of the fiscal year and expenses should be at 66.7%. The expenses are at 62.6% for the General Fund and 80.9% for the Water Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Murray
Treasurer

