

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2023**  
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Due to the General Election on November 7, 2023, the first of the bi-monthly meetings of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, November 6, 2023 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 Ferraro, and Karl  
Also present: Village Clerk Zahra  
Absent: Attorney Terhune, Trustees Behringer and O'Connor

**PRESENTATION – 23 MARKETING GROUP- VENTURE OUT MONROE:**

Tony Morino and McKenna Hiller from 23 Marketing gave a presentation on marketing for the Village of Monroe. They are focusing on reigniting passion, pride and community through social media, the website, eblasts, commercials, and advertising on billboards. Mayor Dwyer along with the Board appreciate all the efforts being made to bring tourists and residents to our Village.

**DUE PROCESS HEARING 11.6.2023 – 7:00PM**  
**CODE VIOLATIONS AGAINST THE VILLAGE OF MONROE'S PROPERTY**  
**MAINTENANCE LAW – 58 WINCHESTER DRIVE – SBL #228-2-6**

A Due Process Hearing was held on Monday, November 6, 2023 at 7:22PM in the Boardroom of the Village Hall, 7 Stage Road, Monroe, NY. The hearing was held to review the violation issued by the Village of Monroe Building Department on the following property within the Village of Monroe: 58 Winchester Drive (TM #228-2-6), as per Village Code Section 155A-6E – General Requirements. All land must be kept free of dead or dying trees and accumulations of brush, shrubs, weeds, grass, stumps, roots, excessive and/or noxious growths, garbage, refuse, or debris which would either tend to start a fire or increase the intensity of a fire already started or cause poisoning or irritation to people or animals or cause or tend to cause or enhance an unhealthy or dangerous or obnoxious condition on said property or any adjacent or neighboring property. The specific violation is piles of garbage, carpet, and debris on front lawn.

Present: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro, and Karl  
Also present: Clerk Zahra  
Absent: Attorney Terhune, Trustees Behringer and O'Connor

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro, and carried, the hearing was opened at 7:22PM.

The reason for the “due process” hearing is that only the owner of the property that has been issued this violation is allowed to speak. No public comment is allowed. No one appeared to speak on behalf of the property owner.

With no further comments or questions, on a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro and carried, the due process hearing was closed at 7:25PM.

**DUE PROCESS HEARING 11.6.2023 – 7:00PM**  
**CODE VIOLATIONS AGAINST THE VILLAGE OF MONROE'S PROPERTY**  
**MAINTENANCE LAW – 389 SPRING STREET – SBL #209-1-7**

A Due Process Hearing was held on Monday, November 6, 2023 at 7:26PM in the Boardroom of the Village Hall, 7 Stage Road, Monroe, NY. The hearing was held to review the violation issued by the Village of Monroe Building Department on the following property within the Village of Monroe: 389 Spring Street (TM #209-1-7), as per Village Code Section 155A-6E – General Requirements. All land must be kept free of dead or dying trees and accumulations of brush, shrubs, weeds, grass, stumps, roots, excessive and/or noxious growths, garbage, refuse, or debris which would either tend to start a fire or increase the intensity of a fire already started or cause poisoning or irritation to people or animals or cause or tend to cause or enhance an unhealthy or dangerous or obnoxious condition on said property or any adjacent or neighboring property. The specific violation is a pile of garbage and debris at the end of the driveway.

Present: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro, and Karl  
Also present: Clerk Zahra  
Absent: Attorney Terhune, Trustees Behringer and O'Connor

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro, and carried, the hearing was opened at 7:26PM.

The reason for the "due process" hearing is that only the owner of the property that has been issued this violation is allowed to speak. No public comment is allowed. No one appeared to speak on behalf of the property owner.

With no further comments or questions, on a motion by Trustee Ferraro, seconded by Trustee Karl and carried, the due process hearing was closed at 7:28PM.

**MINUTE APPROVAL – OCTOBER 17, 2023 BOARD MEETING:**

On a motion by Trustee Karl seconded by Trustee Ferraro, the Minutes of the October 17, 2023 Board Meeting were approved.

Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl  
Nays: None

**CERTIFICATION OF UNPAID VILLAGE TAXES:**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees is authorized to sign and certify the "Unpaid Village Tax Return" upon verification by Treasurer Feliz that the unpaid tax amount of \$266,872.02 is correct. It is further;

RESOLVED, that upon verification and certification, the document is to be submitted to Orange County Department of Finance by November 15, 2023.

On a motion by Trustee Ferraro, seconded by Trustee Karl

Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl  
Nays: None

**OFFICES TO BE FILLED @ MARCH 19, 2024 ELECTION:**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees designate the following offices to be filled pursuant to Section 104-104, subdivisions 3 (a) of the Election Law, at the Village Election to be held on Tuesday, March 19, 2024, located at 7 Stage Road.

TRUSTEE	2 POSITIONS	4 YEAR TERMS EACH
VILLAGE JUSTICE	1 POSITION	4 YEAR TERM

On a motion by Trustee Ferraro, seconded by Trustee Karl

Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl  
Nays: None

**INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT – VILLAGE OF MONROE & MWCSD RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO):**  
(Minutes 10/17/2023)

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorize Mayor Dwyer to enter into an Inter-Municipal Agreement with the Monroe-Woodbury Central School District to provide a School Resource Officer Program in the school's that are within the Village's geographical boundaries, which include North Main Elementary, Pine Tree Elementary and by agreement, Sapphire Elementary. The term of the agreement is from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 and is renewed each year upon mutual consent.

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro

Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl  
Nays: None

**ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW #20 OF 2023 – “AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 200, ZONING, TO REGULATE PREEXISTING NONCONFORMING BULK”:**

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Monroe, New York (“Village Board”) duly noticed a public hearing held on October 3, 2023 and October 9, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board solicited public comment during said public hearing on October 3, 2023 and October 9, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the proposed local law amends Chapter 200, Zoning, to regulate preexisting nonconforming bulk; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. The above “WHEREAS” paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.
2. The Local Law, “Amendment to Chapter 200, Zoning, to Regulate Preexisting Nonconforming Bulk,” as attached is adopted as Local Law No. 20 of 2023 of the Village of Monroe on November 6, 2023.
3. The Village Board hereby directs the Village Clerk to take all steps to process and file said Local Law.
4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

**VILLAGE OF MONROE  
AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 200, ZONING, TO REGULATE PREEXISTING  
NONCONFORMING BULK**

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Monroe, Orange County, New York, as follows:

**Section 1.** Legislative Intent and Purposes.

The Village Board finds that modifications, alterations, or construction that increases nonconformity with the Village’s bulk regulations negatively impacts the existing character of Village neighborhoods.

**Section 2.** Authority.

This local law is enacted by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Monroe pursuant to its authority to adopt local laws contained in the New York State Constitution and Section 10 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

**Section 3.** Chapter 200 (“Zoning”)

Paragraph A, titled, “Residential buildings or structures,” of § 200-64, titled, “Buildings, structures or lots with nonconforming bulk,” of Article XIII, titled, “Nonconforming Uses, and Nonconforming Buildings,” of Chapter 200, “Zoning,” of the Village of Monroe Code is hereby amended by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

- A. An increase in degree of noncompliance or the creation of a new noncompliance with the district regulations and bulk table provisions within the meaning of this article shall include all of the following:
- a. The lateral extension of a noncomplying portion of a building for a distance greater than presently exists, even where the distance of that building from the property line remains the same. Thus, for example, the owner of a building that does not comply with the applicable side yard requirement may not, without obtaining a variance, build an extension on the side of his or her building, running toward either the front or the rear of the existing side footprint, even if it comes no closer to the property line than the existing building.
  - b. An upward expansion of a building, even at the same dimension as an existing setback noncompliance (because such an expansion increases the mass or volume of the noncompliance).
  - c. The in-filling of open-air space (such as a porch) at the same dimension as an existing setback noncompliance (because such an expansion increases the mass or volume of the noncompliance).

- d. The extension of an existing noncomplying building closer to a property line than bulk rules require (but less than the currently existing nonconformity) where the portion of the building to be so extended is currently in compliance with bulk requirements and is a different portion of the building than where the current noncompliance exists.

**Section 4. SUPERSEDING PROVISION.**

To the extent that any State or local laws fail to provide specific authority for this Local Law or the procedures necessary for its adoption, or otherwise appear to be in conflict with this Local Law or the procedures followed for its adoption, then such laws are hereby superseded by this Local Law pursuant to New York Municipal Home Rule Law and the common law.

**Section 5. SEVERABILITY.**

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Local Law shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the clause, paragraph, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered, and the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This law shall take effect upon the filing of this Local Law with the New York Secretary of State in the manner provided for in the Municipal Home Rule Law.

**On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro**

**Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl**

**Nays: None**

**ADOPTION OF LOCAL LAW #21 OF 2023 – “AMENDMENT TO LOCAL LAW #4 OF 2021 WHICH ESTABLISHED FLOOR AREA RATIOS FOR SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED DWELLINGS AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS IN THE VILLAGE OF MONROE”:**

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Monroe, New York (“Village Board”) duly noticed a public hearing held on October 3, 2023 and October 9, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board solicited public comment during said public hearing on October 3, 2023 and October 9, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the proposed local law amends local law #4 of 2021 which established floor area ratios for single-family detached dwellings and two-family dwellings in the Village of Monroe; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:**

1. The above “WHEREAS” paragraphs are incorporated herein by reference.
2. The Local Law, “Amendment to Local Law 4 of 2021 Which Established Floor Area Ratios for Single-Family Detached Dwellings and Two-Family Dwellings in the Village of Monroe”, as attached is adopted as Local Law No. 21 of 2023 of the Village of Monroe on November 6, 2023.
3. The Village Board hereby directs the Village Clerk to take all steps to process and file said Local Law.
4. This Resolution shall be effective immediately.

VILLAGE OF MONROE  
AMENDMENT TO LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF 2021  
WHICH ESTABLISHED FLOOR AREA RATIOS FOR SINGLE-FAMILY DETACHED DWELLINGS  
AND TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS IN THE VILLAGE OF MONROE

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Monroe, Orange County, New York, as follows:

**Section 1. Legislative Intent and Purposes.**

The character of residential neighborhoods in the Village of Monroe derives from the harmonious relationship between single- and two-family dwellings, their massing and the overall size of the dwellings relative to the size of the lot they are situated upon and the neighborhood in which they are

located. Local Law 4 of 2021 established a maximum floor area ratio (FAR) to protect the scale, density, and character of Monroe's stable and well-maintained neighborhoods.

Although the intent of LL 4 was to apply FAR to all residential dwellings included therein, certain language has been interpreted to mean that all approved and filed subdivisions are exempt from FAR bulk regulations. Such interpretation is contrary to the intent of the Board of Trustees and, therefore, this amendment shall remove any perceived ambiguities within the subject Code.

**Section 2. Authority.**

This local law is enacted by the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Monroe pursuant to its authority to adopt local laws contained in the New York State Constitution and Section 10 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

**Section 3. Chapter 200 ("Zoning")**

Subsection § 200-24.1, titled "Floor area ratio (FAR) for single-family detached and two-family dwellings," of Article VI, titled, "Supplementary Building Requirements," of Chapter 200, "Zoning," of the Village of Monroe Code is hereby amended by inserting a new paragraph A titled, "Purpose," and B, titled "Variance of FAR," to read as follows:

- A. Purpose. The Board of Trustee's purpose in establishing maximum FAR is to effectuate a primary goal of the Comprehensive Plan, which is to maintain the existing scale of residential neighborhoods, protect the character of the Village, and reasonably scale residential development to provide the greatest opportunity for the quiet enjoyment of residential life in the Village. In residential districts, this protection is best described by the floor area ratio of building to lot size. The Village Board considers any increase whatsoever in maximum floor area ratio to be "substantial" and will result in an undesirable change in the character of the neighborhood in which it is proposed.
- B. Variance of FAR. Where a variance of FAR is sought, the Village Board requests that during its deliberations the Zoning Board of Appeals take into consideration the purpose of FAR as stated herein.

Section 200-24.1 is further amended by re-designating former paragraph "A" as "C", and redesignating former paragraphs "B" as "D" and "C" as "E", and deleting former subparagraphs A(2)[a] and A(2)[b] to read in its revised form as follows:

**A.C. Applicability.**

- (1) This Section shall apply to all single-family detached dwellings and all two-family dwellings in all districts whether said dwellings are conforming or non-conforming as to bulk, as follows:
  - (a) New construction.
  - (b) Existing dwellings, including conversions, demolitions, reconstructions, expansions, and additions that expand the gross floor area of the dwelling.
- (2) This Section shall not apply to:
  - ~~(a) Residential subdivisions that have been filed in the Orange County Clerk's Office prior to the adoption of the Residential FAR Schedule.~~
  - ~~(b) Residential site plans that have received final conditional approval by the Planning Board prior to the adoption of the Residential FAR Schedule.~~
  - (a b) Any application for a building permit to alter the interior space of a single-family detached or two-family dwelling which alteration does not enlarge the floor area of the dwelling.
- (3) Nothing herein shall be construed to permit a single-family detached dwelling or two-family dwelling to be constructed, altered and/or modified such that it exceeds the maximum building height or maximum number of stories set forth in the Table of District Uses and Bulk Regulations of this Zoning Chapter absent an area variance received from the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Village of Monroe.

**Section 4. SUPERSEDING PROVISION.**

To the extent that any State or local laws fail to provide specific authority for this Local Law or the procedures necessary for its adoption, or otherwise appear to be in conflict with this Local Law or the

procedures followed for its adoption, then such laws are hereby superseded by this Local Law pursuant to New York Municipal Home Rule Law and the common law.

**Section 5. SEVERABILITY.**

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Local Law shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the clause, paragraph, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered, and the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This law shall take effect upon the filing of this Local Law with the New York Secretary of State in the manner provided for in the Municipal Home Rule Law.

**On a motion by Trustee Ferraro, seconded by Trustee Karl**

**Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl**

**Nays: None**

**CHANUKAH MENORAH DISPLAY AT CRANE PARK:**

**RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees approves the request of Chabad of Orange County to provide a Chanukah Menorah display in Crane Park for Chanukah from December 7<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup>. Set up will be coordinated with the DPW. This approval is contingent upon proof of certificate of liability insurance.

**On a motion by Trustee Ferraro, seconded by Trustee Karl**

**Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl**

**Nays: None**

**APPOINTMENT – P/T PARKING ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – Y. PINO:**

**RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees accepts the recommendation of Police Chief Guzman and appoints Yesid Pino to the position of part-time Parking Enforcement Officer, effective November 8, 2023 at an hourly salary of \$24.47 per hour. The required Department background application, physical and drug screening has been completed.

**On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro**

**Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl**

**Nays: None**

**APPOINTMENT – P/T POLICE OFFICER (SRO) – M. GUEDES JR.:**

**RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees accepts the recommendation of Police Chief Guzman and appoints Michael A. Guedes Jr. to the position of Part-Time Police Officer (School Resource Officer), effective November 8, 2023 at an hourly salary of \$36.98/hr. The required background investigation, psychological, physical and drug screening have been completed.

**On a motion by Trustee Ferraro, seconded by Trustee Karl**

**Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl**

**Nays: None**

**RESIGNATION – SEASONAL LABORER – N. AMANTE:**

**RESOLVED**, the Board of Trustees accepts the resignation of Seasonal Laborer, Nicholas Amante effective November 3, 2023. The Board of Trustees wishes Nicholas well in his future endeavors.

**On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro**

**Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl**

**Nays: None**

**RESIGNATION – F/T COURT CLERK – C. SZKODZINSKY:**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees accept the resignation of Full-Time Court Clerk Carin Szkodzinsky effective December 1, 2023. Judge Strauss and the Board of Trustees thanks Carin for her twelve (12) years of good and faithful service to the Village of Monroe, the Court itself, and all who came before it.

On a motion by Trustee Ferraro, seconded by Trustee Karl

Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl

Nays: None

**AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE – JUSTICE COURT – COURT CLERK:**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorizes Judge Strauss to advertise for the position of Court Clerk for the Justice Court.

On a motion by Trustee Ferraro, seconded by Trustee Karl

Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl

Nays: None

**VILLAGE OF MONROE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION CONCERNING  
VIOLATION OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE – 58 WINCHESTER DRIVE SBL #228-2-6:**

Property Location: 58 Winchester Drive / SBL #228-2-6 / Monroe, NY 10950

As per Village Code Article 1, Section 155A-6E, Failure to Control Trash and Rubbish, all land must be kept free of dead dying trees and accumulations of brush, shrubs, weeds, grass, stumps, roots, excessive and / or noxious growths, garbage, refuse or debris which would either tend to start a fire or increase the intensity of a fire already started or cause poisoning or irritation to people or animals or cause or tend to cause or enhance an unhealthy or dangerous or obnoxious condition on said property or on any adjacent or neighboring property. The specific violation is piles of garbage, carpet, and debris on the front lawn. There has been failure to remedy.

WHEREAS, long standing violations of the Village's Property Maintenance Law, Chapter 155A-6E of the Village of Monroe Code, have existed at 58 Winchester Drive, Village of Monroe, 10950, designated as Tax Map No. SBL 228-2-6; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has been given proper and lawful notice of said violation and have been directed to correct the violation; and

WHEREAS, the property owner was given due notice of a due-process hearing to be held by the Board of Trustees on November 6, 2023, at 7:00PM; and

WHEREAS, the owner did not appear; and

WHEREAS, the owner has not taken steps to correct the violation, and the violation still exists; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is authorized pursuant to Section 155-A8 of the Property Maintenance Law to authorize that the Village undertake to remedy such violation at the property owner's cost and expense.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk mail a certified copy of this resolution be mailed to the property owner via certified mail.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, any violation that remains uncorrected on the property as of today, November 6, 2023, the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Village, its contractors or agents to enter upon the property to correct the aforesaid violation and that all costs incurred by the Village, including administrative, legal and corrective costs, be charged to the property owner and such charge shall be added to the tax bill of the property owner if not paid within thirty (30) days of notification to the last known address of the property owner as shown on the Village tax records.

On a motion by Trustee Ferraro, seconded by Trustee Karl

Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl

Nays: None

**PD – NYS INTELLIGENCE SUMMIT – CHIEF GUZMAN:**

On November 16 and 17, 2023, the New York State Police and the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services will be hosting the 2023 New York State Intelligence Summit at the Sagamore Resort in Bolton Landing, New York. The summit includes invites to law enforcement, criminal justice, and homeland security executives. The event provides an opportunity to learn about new strategies, technologies and available resources. Some of the topics include cyber threats, major crime trends and counter-terrorism programs all in the interest of public safety. There is no cost to the Village of Monroe.

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorizes Chief Guzman to attend the New York State Intelligence Summit at the Sagamore Resort in Bolton Landing, New York on November 16 and 17, 2023.

On a motion by Trustee Ferraro, seconded by Trustee Karl

Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl

Nays: None

**AUTHORIZATION – MJS ENGINEERING & LAND SURVEYING, PC – VILLAGE HALL RENOVATIONS:**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees authorize Mayor Dwyer to sign the agreement with MJS Engineering & Land Surveying, PC, 261 Greenwich Avenue, Goshen, New York 10924, for the purpose of a structural analysis for construction of an interior partition for Village Hall, 7 Stage Road, SBL 212-4-12 in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00 from budget line A.9950.9200, VH Renovations.

On a motion by Trustee Ferraro, seconded by Trustee Karl

Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl

Nays: None

**VILLAGE OF MONROE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLUTION CONCERNING VIOLATION OF PROPERTY MAINTENANCE – 389 SPRING STREET SBL #209-1-7:**

Property Location: 389 Spring Street / SBL #209-1-7 / Monroe, NY 10950

As per Village Code Article 1, Section 155A-6E, Failure to Control Trash and Rubbish, all land must be kept free of dead dying trees and accumulations of brush, shrubs, weeds, grass, stumps, roots, excessive and / or noxious growths, garbage, refuse or debris which would either tend to start a fire or increase the intensity of a fire already started or cause poisoning or irritation to people or animals or cause or tend to cause or enhance an unhealthy or dangerous or obnoxious condition on said property or on any adjacent or neighboring property. The specific violation is a pile of garbage and debris at the end of the driveway. There has been failure to remedy.

WHEREAS, long standing violations of the Village's Property Maintenance Law, Chapter 155A-6E of the Village of Monroe Code, have existed at 389 Spring Street, Village of Monroe, 10950, designated as Tax Map No. SBL 209-1-7; and

WHEREAS, the property owner has been given proper and lawful notice of said violation and have been directed to correct the violation; and

WHEREAS, the property owner was given due notice of a due-process hearing to be held by the Board of Trustees on November 6, 2023, at 7:00PM; and

WHEREAS, the owner did not appear; and



WHEREAS, the owner has not taken steps to correct the violation, and the violation still exists;  
and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is authorized pursuant to Section 155-A8 of the Property Maintenance Law to authorize that the Village undertake to remedy such violation at the property owner's cost and expense.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk mail a certified copy of this resolution be mailed to the property owner via certified mail.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, any violation that remains uncorrected on the property as of today, November 6, 2023, the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the Village, its contractors or agents to enter upon the property to correct the aforesaid violation and that all costs incurred by the Village, including administrative, legal and corrective costs, be charged to the property owner and such charge shall be added to the tax bill of the property owner if not paid within thirty (30) days of notification to the last known address of the property owner as shown on the Village tax records.

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro

Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl

Nays: None

**REQUEST TO PURCHASE POLICE VEHICLE:**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees approves the request of Police Chief Guzman and authorizes the purchase of one (1) 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe SSV from Chevrolet of Smithtown. The NYS bid price is \$49,994.00. The lighting and equipment upfit quote provided by Emergency Vehicle Specialists is \$14,350.77. The total amount of \$64,344.77 will be allocated from budget line A.3120.230, PD Motor Vehicle.

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro

Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl

Nays: None

**REQUEST TO PURCHASE POLICE VEHICLE:**

RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees approves the request of Police Chief Guzman and authorizes the purchase of one (1) 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe SSV from DeNooyer Chevrolet in Albany, New York. The NYS bid price for the 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe is \$53,997.50. The lighting and equipment upfit quote provided by Emergency Vehicle Specialists is \$14,350.77. The total amount of \$68,348.27 will be allocated from budget line A.3120.230, PD Motor Vehicle.

On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro

Ayes: Trustees Ferraro, Karl and O'Connor

Nays: None

**INTRODUCTORY DRAFT LOCAL LAW OF 2023, AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 182  
TAXICABS & SCHEDULING OF PUBLIC HEARING:**

**VILLAGE OF MONROE  
NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION OF  
A LOCAL LAW AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 182, TAXICABS**

WHEREAS, an introductory Local Law, titled "AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 182, TAXICABS," was introduced by Mayor Dwyer before the Board of Trustees of the Village of Monroe, County of Orange, State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees finds that it is appropriate to conform its local regulations of taxicabs to insurance requirements set forth in New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law § 370.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT 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 PM on - November 21, 2023; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the 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.

**On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro**

**Ayes: Mayor Dwyer, Trustees Ferraro and Karl**

**Nays: None**

**DISCUSSION – MODIFICATIONS TO PARKS LAW:**

A discussion was had on Crane Park, Airplane Park including the 9/11 Memorial and Crane Park Peninsula. Mayor Dwyer would like to see specific restrictions for the 9/11 Memorial prohibiting the use of parks from dusk to dawn. Trustee Karl has concerns over smoking at park events such as the concerts, fireworks, festivals, and carnival. It was suggested that perhaps a smoking area should be set up. This local law modification will need to be discussed further.

**MAYOR & TRUSTEE'S REPORT:**

Trustee Karl commented on the major transmission line replacement project Mombasha Lake to the filtration plant, presently taking place. It is moving right along. He encourages the Board to go up and see the work being done, it's very interesting. While checking on the work being done, Trustee Karl observed boating within 1000ft from the intake which is concerning since it is against the law.

Trustee Karl has seen a change with bulk items at garbage pick-up. Items are not being picked up in a timely fashion, if even at all. He would hope that if negotiations with the Town of Monroe are happening the Village of Monroe and Village of Harriman would be included since we are all part of a Town-wide garbage district.

Trustee Karl said the Calvin Terrace Waterline Replacement Project should begin shortly. This will be the last piece of transite pipe that needs to be replaced in the Village water system.

Trustee Karl met with a resident that has been emailing about a cut through at Hilltop and Winchester. This could be a liability issue and should be discussed with Attorney Terhune.

Trustee Karl reminded the public that November 1<sup>st</sup> to April 1<sup>st</sup> there is no parking on Village streets from 10pm to 6am. There seems to be an issue on North Main Street, something the Village needs to keep an eye on.

Trustee Karl spoke about the firework display for 2024. He put the date of Wednesday, July 3, 2024 with a rain date of Friday, July 5, 2024.

Mayor Dwyer went out on site visits with our traffic consultants, Kimley Horn, and they are reviewing Mapes and Spring, Mapes and Carpenter, Pine Tree and Stage. He is happy to report the four-way stop installed at Mine and Rye Hill has been a success. There have been no accidents reported.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**# PRESENT 1**

**TIME: 8:20PM**

Lorraine Loening, Ironworks Road, complimented Aldo Chiappetta, Highway Supervisor, and his crew for a job well done. They cleared out a stream to help prevent flooding in the area. Lorraine was thankful and impressed with the work done. She also asked about the 23 Marketing presentation and was hoping they would not be doing away with constant contact. She finds the information sent useful. Lorraine did comment that she thinks the Village might be deeply involved with promoting certain stores in the Village. She was assured that the Board just wants to see businesses succeed and let them know that the Village is invested in them. Trustee Ferraro commented there is music playing outside in the downtown and commercials can be inserted so that businesses have the opportunity to promote themselves there.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**On a motion by Trustee Karl, seconded by Trustee Ferraro and carried, no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Kimberly Zahra  
Village Clerk**