

President Brolley called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

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| Trustee Gier | Yea | Trustee Betsinger | Yea |
| Trustee Sperling | Yea | Trustee Jungermann | Yea |
| Trustee Bauman | Yea | Trustee Marecek | Yea |

Also present: Administrator Jeff Zoephel, Director of Finance Justin VanVooren, Director of Community Development Sonya Abt, Village Engineer Peter Wallers, Chief of Police Phillip Smith, Village Attorney Laura Julien, Communications Manager Kristina Nemetz, Deputy Clerk Debbie Buchanan, Members of the Press and others.

Public Participation

A. Public Comments.

There were no comments from the public. President Brolley announced that Executive Assistant/Deputy Clerk Debbie Buchanan is retiring this week after 21 years. He presented her with an award and thanked her for her years of service.

B. MEDC Update.

MEDC Executive Director Charlene Coulombe-Fiore presented an update on MEDC activities from June through December of 2021.

Executive Session – 7:25 p.m.

A. To Discuss Litigation, Where the Village of Montgomery Finds That Such Action is Probable or Imminent Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11).

Trustee Marecek moved to go into Executive Session to Discuss Litigation, Where the Village of Montgomery Finds That Such Action is Probable or Imminent Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11). Trustee Jungermann seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Marecek, Trustee Betsinger, Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Bauman and Trustee Jungermann voting yea.

The meeting resumed at 7:43 p.m.

Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes of the Village Board Meeting of January 10, 2022.
- B. Accounts Payable through January 20, 2022 in the Amount of \$551,989.24.
- C. Accounts Receivable Report for December 2021.
- D. Appointment of Jeff Zoephel to AACVB for a Term through June 30, 2024.
- E. Ordinance Number 1942 Reducing the Number of Class K Liquor Licenses (Waiver of First and Passage on Second Reading).

Trustee Jungermann moved to approve Items A-E of the Consent Agenda. Trustee Bauman seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Betsinger, Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling and Trustee Bauman voting yea.

Items for Separate Action

A. Resolution 2021-020 Approving a Conditional Grant Agreement with Gray's Mill Partners, LLC Pursuant to the Village's Downtown Mill District Restaurant Incentive Program (Phase 2) (Tabled from Dec. 13th Board Meeting).

Mike Baum from Gray's Mill was present, along with Phil Cullen via Zoom. Mr. Cullen summarized that Gray's Mill Estate was established in 2020, and originally Phase 1 of the renovation was going to be the speakeasy, first and second floors and minor changes on the outside. As they proceeded they moved additional items to Phase 1 and instead of spending \$590K, they actually spent \$1.2 million on Phase 1. Baum's Biergarten alone cost \$350,000. They have invested in the community and are sponsoring events to get

new people into the building. The revised plan is to add the 2-story addition on the side of the building. Phase 2.1 will be building the silo and then install the 2-story addition opening in the summer of 2023 along with the 4th floor bridal area. They are looking to spend a significant amount in the second phase of development, and would like to get the grant up front because they are putting a lot more money into it. President Brolley said they've done great work in the building and have made huge improvements to the skeleton to make it functional. Mike Baum said the addition will be 30 feet up over the river with great views. The silo will be built now and attached to the addition later.

Trustee Marecek **moved to approve Resolution 2021-020 Approving a Conditional Grant Agreement with Gray's Mill Partners, LLC Pursuant to the Village's Downtown Mill District Restaurant Incentive Program (Phase 2) (Tabled from Dec. 13th Board Meeting).** Trustee Bauman seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Marecek, Trustee Betsinger, Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Bauman and Trustee Jungermann voting yea.

B. Resolution 2022-001 Approving a Conditional Grant Agreement with Boomar, LLC D/B/A H.H. Shufeldt Whiskey Company Pursuant to the Village's Downtown Mill District Restaurant Incentive Program.

Director Abt stated that the grant for \$55,000 would be issued at time of building permit for buildout in the silo. This is requested to be approved subject to attorney review and finalization of the agreement.

Trustee Marecek **moved to approve Resolution 2022-001 Approving a Conditional Grant Agreement with Boomar, LLC D/B/A H.H. Shufeldt Whiskey Company Pursuant to the Village's Downtown Mill District Restaurant Incentive Program) subject to attorney review.** Trustee Jungermann seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Marecek, Trustee Betsinger, Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Bauman and Trustee Jungermann voting yea.

C. Ordinance 1952 Amending the Village Code Section 3-9 (H.H. Shufeldt) (Waiver of First and Passage on Second Reading).

President Brolley explained this is the liquor license for the whiskey distillery.

Trustee Jungermann **moved to approve Ordinance 1952 Amending the Village Code Section 3-9 (H.H. Shufeldt) (Waiver of First and Passage on Second Reading).** Trustee Marecek seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Betsinger, Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling and Trustee Bauman voting yea.

D. Task Order No. 2 Approval for the Rehabilitation of Well 4.

Engineer Wallers stated that staff is asking for approval of task order #2, but would like some flexibility in determining based on delivery times which items to order. Staff is requesting authorization to proceed with repairs with a maximum limit and will report back to the Board as the project proceeds.

Trustee Gier **moved to approve Task Order No. 2 Approval for the Rehabilitation of Well 4 with a maximum amount of \$188,370.00.** Trustee Bauman seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Bauman, Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek and Trustee Betsinger voting yea.

E. Professional Services Agreement with Engineering Enterprises, Inc. for Mill Street Bridge Improvements and Lighting Construction & Design Engineering in the Amount of \$138,132.00.

Administrator Zoepfel said that in 2020 there was a bridge inspection report. This agreement would allow Engineering Enterprises to fix the items that were identified as needing repair, plus add lighting on the bridge. Engineer Wallers confirmed that repairs would be completed before Montgomery Fest, as long as there are not supply chain issues. The lights would use a system that allows staff to change colors and turn the lights on and off. There will be no bridge flowers this year due to the construction. Engineer Wallers also said they are also evaluating adding a higher wall on the south side of the bridge.

Trustee Gier **moved to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Engineering Enterprises, Inc. for Mill Street Bridge Improvements and Lighting Construction & Design Engineering in the Amount of \$138,132.00.** Trustee Marecek seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Bauman, Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek and Trustee Betsinger voting yea.

F. Waiver of Bid and Approval of Water Meter Replacement Program/Meter and Supplies Purchase in the Amount of \$376,500.00.

Administrator Zoepfel explained that this purchase is similar to what has been done in the past; it is the meter purchase for next fiscal year to keep the process going. Director VanVooren explained staff would order the meters now but it takes 4-5 months to receive them so we won't receive or pay for them until next fiscal year.

Trustee Gier moved to approve Waiver of Bid and Approval of Water Meter Replacement Program/Meter and Supplies Purchase in the Amount of \$376,500.00. Trustee Marecek seconded this motion.

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling, Trustee Bauman, Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, and Trustee Betsinger voting yea.

Items for Discussion

A. Montgomery Park.

President Brolley introduced Greg Sagen from Signature Design Group in Naperville. Mr. Sagen passed out information and said he has been working with staff for about a year to design a multi-purpose stage and pavilion big enough to host Montgomery Fest and small enough to provide for small concerts and sitting areas. The design includes a veterans memorial and plaza, a service professionals plaza, and renovating the stone walls from the WPA and incorporating the history into the park. The project includes tree removal, landscaping and lighting and has received ComEd grant funding for this.

The park is 100% in a flood plain, which has an impact on design and permitting. A permanent structure didn't work well, but the mobile stage was very successful at Montgomery Fest last year, so they are suggesting a flexible plan with a level platform as a mobile stage site. Removable fabric sails above would add protection and color, and would last 10-20 years. Some concerns were raised regarding vandalism, fading, etc. Trustees requested a list of sails at parks in the area. They would like to see how parks look now in winter with sails removed. They also asked if support piers can be removeable, at least the front two, and Mr. Sagen will check on that. It was suggested to only put up the sails for events, but it was felt that would not be attractive, unless there was a different design for the pole bases.

The Veterans Plaza will have pavers with accent banding throughout and a seat wall, with a memorial on a pad plus site lighting and a vertical memorial. The second plaza for first responders, health care and educators will be south of Veterans Plaza and will feature brick pavers, accent banding, benches and a horizontal memorial. These memorials are conceptual only and will be developed through input with stakeholders. Trustee Marecek said it will benefit Montgomery Fest to get electric out to that area.

President Brolley said the Village had submitted for a grant a few years ago and was awarded \$200,000 which is now available to use in renovating the park to create something that can be utilized every day, plus for Montgomery Fest. A question was raised about policing the park. Chief Smith clarified that since the Fox Valley Park District owns the park, they respond to issues there. These improvements will be done subject to an intergovernmental agreement with the park district. Administrator Zoepfel said the goal is to have the performance area in place for the fest his year and possibly complete the memorial areas later. The process will be to work up final plans, complete an agreement with the park district, work with EEI on flood plain issues and go out to bid to start construction. He said he will put together a timeline for the board that will include information on viewing sails in the area. Mr. Sagen said as they work on final design it will take time for stakeholder meetings and permitting to be completed as well as engineering work. They are currently in the concept plan stage.

New or Unfinished Business

Trustee Gier asked and President Brolley explained that the Fox Valley Park District is planning to complete a new park in Blackberry Crossing West on Venetian Drive. They are working on plans and will hold public meetings to get input. It will be a community park with amenities.

President Brolley announced that he, Administer Zoepfel and Engineer Wallers had a call with DuPage Water Commission to talk about legislation to join that organization. DWC asked how important it is for Montgomery to have a vote on the board and President Brolley said it is very important, that's why we selected them, so they will be introducing legislation in the spring session regarding this. They already have a sponsor and co-sponsor for the bill in the House and the Senate.

Future Meetings

A. Planning and Zoning Commission – Thursday, February 3, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

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- B. Beautification Committee – Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
- C. Village Board Meeting—Monday, February 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.
- D. Committee of the Whole Meeting – Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. (May Be Canceled)
- E. Intergovernmental Committee – Monday, February 28, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
- F. Village Board Meeting—Monday, February 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

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| Adjournment: TIME?? |
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Seeking no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Trustee Jungermann and seconded by Trustee Marecek to **adjourn the meeting.**

6 Yea. 0 No. Motion carried. Trustee Jungermann, Trustee Marecek, Trustee Betsinger, Trustee Gier, Trustee Sperling and Trustee Bauman voting yea.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Buchanan
Acting Village Clerk