

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MONTEBELLO WAS HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2025, AT THE SENIOR CENTER, VILLAGE OF MONTEBELLO, 1 MONTEBELLO ROAD, MONTEBELLO, NEW YORK. THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 8:10 P.M. FOLLOWED BY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Present:	Lance N. Millman	Mayor
	Stacy Caridi	Deputy Mayor
	Bruce Egenhauser	Trustee
	Michael Humphrey	Trustee
	David Rose	Trustee
	Warren E. Berbit	Village Attorney

Absent:

Recording Secretary: Joan Will	Village Clerk-Treasurer
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### **No Mayor's Report.**

### **Public Comment:**

No one from the public wishing to speak, Mayor Millman closed this portion of the meeting.

### **Resolution 25 – 152**

### **Village of Montebello**

Title: Supreme Court Judge Request – Illegal Multi-Family Residence

Authorizing the Village Attorney, and/or by or for him an Assistant Village Attorney, to file a Summons and Complaint and Order to Show Cause in an action in Supreme Court in the State of New York, County of Rockland, requesting that a Supreme Court Judge order the owners of the premises located at 547 Haverstraw Road, Village of Montebello, Frantz & Marie E. Verna, et al, in an illegally constructed multi-family residence in a single-family residence, representing a danger to health and safety under and in violation of State and Local Law, such remaining in place despite warning and demands by the Building Inspector and Code Enforcement Officer, that such be removed, as more particularly set forth in an attached Complaint Action Summary #C502-25, and for any other related relief which to the Court may appear just and proper, and which property, upon information and belief, which under the same ownership, has been historically adjudicated as and is believed to have been adjudicated as, in the same or similar unlawful usage.

Motion: Deputy Mayor Caridi

Second: Trustee Egenhauser

Upon vote, motion carried unanimously.

**Resolution No. 25 – 153**

**Village of Montebello**

Title: Appointment of Chief Clerk Office of Boards & Commissions PERM FT

WHEREAS, Angela Spina was hired as provisional in the position of Chief Clerk Office of Boards and Commissions on February 26, 2024, until an eligible list was secured; and

WHEREAS, the Village Clerk – Treasurer in searching for a qualified full-time employee has contacted Rockland County Personnel for the qualifying list of candidates; upon which the County provided the results of list #88643010 Chief Clerk Office of Boards and Commissions, where Angela currently sits in one of the top three positions after qualifying the list.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Mayor, that Angela Spina, as a qualified candidate, be appointed, effective November 18, 2025. Compensation for this position will be \$42,000 per year.

Motion: Deputy Mayor Caridi

Second: Trustee Egenhauser

Upon vote, the Resolution carried unanimously.

**Resolution: 25 – 154**

**Village of Montebello**

Title: Adoption of 2026 Budget

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing to adopt the 2026 budget was held on November 13, 2025, as continued on November 18, 2025, to allow for further Board deliberation and participation by the Mayor who was unavailable on November 13<sup>th</sup>, and such was reopened by a motion by Deputy Mayor Caridi, seconded by Trustee Egenhauser all approved; and

WHEREAS, the updated Taxable Assessed Validation (TAV) in the Village as obtained from the Town of Ramapo Assessor's Office today was discussed, followed by a lengthy discussion of appropriating a portion of unappropriated surplus to balance the budget each year which sum is diminishing over time, it being prudent as recommended by the Mayor and Village Accountant, that the Tentative Budget be amended as follows to make less likely a budgetary crisis in future years:

Income: Increase the Tentative 2026 Real Estate taxes from \$1,424,251.00 to \$1,479,030.00

Income: Total Revenue increased from \$2,967, 077 to \$3,021,856

Decrease Surplus from \$542,966 to \$488,187

All to reflect an increase in the sum received by real property taxation of 8% thus exceeding the 2% cap; and

WHEREAS, motion to close the Public Hearing at 7:09 p.m. when no one further wished to speak, by Deputy Mayor Caridi, and seconded by Trustee Rose, all approved.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tentative Budget as amended as set forth above be and hereby is adopted as the Budget of the Village of Montebello for the tax year 2026 for a total expenditure of \$3,510,043.00, and the amount of \$1,479,030.00 to be raised by real property taxation, which is 8% higher than the sum raised for real property taxation in 2025, thus requiring application of Local Law 2 of 2025 with respect to exceeding the 2% tax cap, and that said sum to be raised by taxation of real property, \$1,479,030.00, shall be and hereby is levied, and that the warrant of the Village should be issued for the collection thereof, based upon a tax rate of 12.029842 per one thousand dollars (\$1,000) of taxable assessed valuation, being and intended to be the sum to be raised by taxation divided by the total taxable assessment of \$122,946,733 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in addition, the Village Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to re-levy unpaid professional and property maintenance fees on those properties subject to same.

Motion: Deputy Mayor Caridi

Second: Trustee Egenhauser

The Board was polled:	Mayor Millman	-	Yes
	Deputy Mayor Caridi	-	Yes
	Trustee Egenhauser	-	Yes
	Trustee Humphrey	-	Yes
	Trustee Rose	-	Yes

All in favor of the 8% tax increase.

**Public Comment:**

No one from the public wishing to speak, Mayor Millman closed this portion of the meeting.

At 7:11 PM, Deputy Mayor Caridi made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by Trustee Egenhauser. Vote carried unanimously.