

Minutes of the Special Town Board Meeting held at the Pine Tree Elementary School, 156 Pine Tree Road, Monroe, New York on October 13, 2009 at 7PM

Present: John Burke, Supervisor
Geraldine Gianzero, Councilwoman
Amidee Haviland, Carlton Levine and James Skoufis, Councilmen
Absent: None

ORDER CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MONROE JOINT FIRE DISTRICT IN THE TOWNS OF MONROE AND WOODBURY AND THE VILLAGES OF MONROE AND HARRIMAN AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

The following resolution was moved for adoption by Councilman Skoufis, seconded by Supervisor Burke:
WHEREAS the Harriman Engine Company has heretofore provided fire protection to the Village of Harriman in the Towns of Monroe and Woodbury; and

WHEREAS the Mombasha Fire Company has heretofore provided fire protection to the Village of Monroe in the Town of Monroe; and

WHEREAS the Lakeside Fire Company has heretofore provided fire protection to a portion of the presently existing Town of Monroe Fire Protection District in the Town of Monroe; and

WHEREAS the Mombasha Fire Company, the Harriman Engine Company and the Lakeside Fire Company have heretofore requested that the municipal officials of the Towns of Monroe and Woodbury and the Villages of Monroe and Harriman take such action as is necessary to establish a joint fire district pursuant to Article 11-A of the Town Law and Article 22-A of the Village Law. Said joint fire district, to be known as the Monroe Joint Fire District, will comprise all the property presently afforded fire protection by the said fire companies, with the exception of the portions of the Town of Monroe which cannot be included in the Monroe Joint Fire District because they are not contiguous to the proposed Monroe Joint Fire District, and which territories are hereinafter referred to as the "non-contiguous properties" as described by the following section, block and lot numbers of the Tax Map of the Town of Monroe:

Section 1, Block 2, Lots: 1, 2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3, 6, 7, 8.11, 8.12, 8.21, 8.22, 8.6, 9, 13, 15, and 16.
Section 1, Block 3, Lots: 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14.2, 15, 16.1, 16.2, 17.1, and 40.
Section 2, Block 1, Lots: 1, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 3.1, 3.2, 4.1, 4.21, 4.31, 5.22, 7.2, 26.1, 26.2, and 27.
Section 56, Block 1, Lot 1
Section 61, Block 1, Lot 1
Section 62, Block 2, Lot 1; and

WHEREAS all the territory in the proposed Monroe Joint Fire District is contiguous; and
WHEREAS it is hereby determined to be in the public interest that the Town Boards of the Towns of Monroe and Woodbury and the Boards of Trustees of the Villages of Monroe and Harriman jointly hold a public hearing on the establishment of the proposed Monroe Joint Fire District; and

WHEREAS the aforesaid Monroe Joint Fire District, as proposed, shall commence its operations (excluding fire protection) on May 3, 2010 by and under a Board of Fire Commissioners to be initially appointed by the Town Boards of the Towns of Monroe and Woodbury and the Boards of Trustees of the Villages of Monroe and Harriman and thereafter elected pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Town Law; and

WHEREAS the aforesaid Monroe Joint Fire District, as proposed, shall commencing January 1, 2011, assume all responsibility for fire protection within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS the aforesaid Monroe Joint Fire District, as proposed, fully bounded and described as hereafter set forth in the Notice of Public Hearing to be published by the Town Clerk of the Town of Monroe, includes all of the properties presently served by the aforesaid fire companies with the exception of the non-contiguous properties; and

WHEREAS the Town Board of the Town of Woodbury has determined that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe shall be the lead agency in connection with the proposed establishment of the Monroe Joint Fire District, for the purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder; and

WHEREAS it is now desired to call a public hearing upon the question of the establishment of the Monroe Joint Fire District;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED by Town Board of the Town of Woodbury, Orange County, New York, as follows:

SECTION ONE This Board designates and hereby appoints the Town Board of the Town of Monroe to act as "Lead Agency" in connection with the proposed establishment of the Monroe Joint Fire District, for purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the regulations promulgated thereunder;

SECTION TWO A public hearing will be held on November 10, 2009, commencing at 7:00PM at the Pine Tree Elementary School, 156 Pine Tree Road, Monroe, New York, which is located within the proposed Monroe Joint Fire District, before the Town Boards of the Towns of Monroe and Woodbury and the Boards of Trustees of the Villages of Monroe and Harriman on the question of the establishment of a joint fire district to be known as the Monroe Joint Fire District in the manner described in the preambles thereof, and to hear all persons interested in the subject thereof concerning the same, and to take such further action thereon as is required or authorized by law.

SECTION THREE The Town Clerk of the Town of Monroe is hereby authorized to act in the following capacity on behalf of this Board and is hereby directed to cause a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing to be published in the Times Herald Record, not less than ten (10) days before the date of the aforesaid public hearing.

SECTION FOUR Said Notice of Public Hearing shall be posted not less than ten (10) days before said public hearing in five (5) public conspicuous places in the Town of Woodbury, being within the boundaries of the proposed Monroe Joint Fire District. The Notice of Public Hearing shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Monroe, the Town Board of the Town of Woodbury, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Monroe, and the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Harriman, all in the County of Orange, State of New York, will hold a public hearing for the purpose of jointly proposing the establishment of a joint fire district. The public hearing will be held on the 10th day of November, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at the Pine Tree Elementary School, 156 Pine Tree Road, Monroe, New York, for the purpose of considering the proposed establishment of a joint fire district and to hear all persons interested in the establishment of said district.

The objects and purposes for which it is proposed that the Monroe Joint Fire District be established are for the assumption of all responsibility for fire protection within its boundaries commencing on January 1, 2011, with the operations of the Monroe Joint Fire District (excluding fire protection) to commence May 3, 2010 by and under a five (5) person Board of Fire Commissioners, to be initially appointed by the Town Board of the Town of Monroe, the Town Board of the Town of Woodbury, the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Monroe, and the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Harriman and thereafter elected pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Town Law.

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF MONROE
AND THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF WOODBURY
AND THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF MONROE

AND THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF HARRIMAN

SECTION FIVE Said Notice of Public Hearing shall be served upon the members of the Town Board of the Town of Woodbury by mail addressed to their last known post office addresses at least ten (10) days before the date of said hearing.

SECTION SIX This order shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED BY ROLL CALL AS FOLLOWS:

Supervisor John Burke	AYES
Councilwoman Gianzero	AYES
Councilman Haviland	AYES
Councilman Levine	AYES
Councilman Skoufis	AYES

Desiree Potvin, Town Clerk
(resolution prepared by Frank Simeone, Attorney of record)
(notes prepared by Supervisor Burke)