

DEPARTMENTAL MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD,  
MONDAY March 27, 2023 9:00 A.M., HANCOCK VILLAGE HALL,  
85 EAST FRONT STREET, HANCOCK, NEW YORK

The Departmental Meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Mayor McGrath. Roll call was taken by Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Shannon.

Present: Mayor Carolann McGrath  
Deputy Mayor Shaun Shannon  
Trustee Dawn Gotthardt  
Trustee Jason Mead- Absent  
Trustee Dorothy Picozzi

Also Present: Demi Shannon, Village Deputy Clerk/Treasurer  
Kristen Barron, Hancock Herald

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt seconded by Deputy Mayor Shannon, voted and carried to approve the February 27, 2023 departmental minutes. *2023- 046*  
*Minutes Approval*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt seconded by Deputy Mayor Shannon, voted and carried to approve the February 13, 2023 departmental minutes. *2023- 047*  
*Minutes Approval*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to approve the Abstract of Vouchers #018 in the amount of \$45,561.16. *2023- 048*  
*Abstract of Vouchers*

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to approve the Abstract of Vouchers #019 in the amount of \$30,085.42 with the addition of \$34.72 for reimbursement to Jow Zazekie for lunch for the dig. *2023- 049*  
*Abstract of Vouchers*

Departmental reports were reviewed.

Code Enforcement Officer Peter Hathaway stated that Mill Street property cleaned up the garbage. He issued one building permit. He sent multiple letters for buildings. Pete has been working on the demo paperwork for 57 East Main Street after the fire. Pete took a code class.

Waste Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator Bernard Wormuth reported that the numbers are good. He stated that everything is running good and that they are doing maintenance of multiple machines. They will start hauling the winter solids in the next few weeks.

Police Daniel Petersen reported the number of tickets and arrests for March. Dan stated that they Received the body cams and he is working to get them set up. He is waiting on the tasers to come.

Fire Chief Blaise Bojo reported that March was a busy month. They had the structure fire on 57 East Main Street, multiple car accidents, and other calls. They worked on weekly training. He stated that He will be working with Pete to do the fire inspections on some buildings in the Village.

Department of Public Works Superintendent Matt Loftus was not present and his report was read by the Mayor.

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried accept the Departmental Reports.

2023- 050

*Departmental Reports*

The Board decided to table the NYS Volunteer Firefighter and Ambulance tax exemption To the April 10, 2023 meeting pending more information.

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried accept and sign the Annual Preventative Maintenance Agreement from Power Generation & Industrial Engines Inc. for the Waste Water Treatment Plant for \$2,519.28

2023- 051

*Annual Maint. WWTP*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried accept and sign the Annual Preventative Maintenance Agreement from Power Generation & Industrial Engines Inc. for the Fire Department for \$783.26

2023- 052

*Annual Maint. Fire Dept.*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried accept the Hancock Fire Department Bylaws as presented.

2023- 053

*Fire Dept. Bylaws*

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to sign the letter for Assembly Angelino that shows the Village's support for bill No. A4039.

2023- 054

*Angelino Letter*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to hold a public hearing on April 24, 2023 at 9am for the CDBG grant application for the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

2023- 055

*Public Hearing*

Bill Brown spoke on the Water Project. He stated that the contractor is back onsite and is getting everything together to finish the final items on the punch list.

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shannon, voted and carried at 9:25 A.M. to enter into executive session to discuss:

2023- 056

*Executive Session*

- Matters which, if disclosed, will imperil the public safety
- Matters which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer
- Information regarding current or future investigations or prosecutions of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed
- **Discussion proposed, pending or current litigation**
- Collective negotiations pursuant to the Taylor Law
- **The medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation**

- The preparation, grading, or administration of examinations
- The proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by the public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof

The meeting was reconvened at 09:43 A.M. with no action taken.

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt seconded by Deputy Mayor Shannon, voted and carried to approve the purchase of the 1998/1999 American Lafrance 4Guys pumper for \$20,000 for the Hancock Fire Department. *2023- 057  
Fire Truck Purchase*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to approve and to sign the contract presented from the George A. and Margaret Mee Charitable Foundation. *2023- 058  
Mee Foundation Contract*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shannon, voted and carried at 9:48 A.M. to enter into executive session to discuss: *2023- 059  
Executive Session*

- Matters which, if disclosed, will imperil the public safety
- Matters which may disclose the identity of a law enforcement agent or informer
- Information regarding current or future investigations or prosecutions of a criminal offense which would imperil effective law enforcement if disclosed
- **Discussion proposed, pending or current litigation**
- Collective negotiations pursuant to the Taylor Law
- The medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation
- The preparation, grading, or administration of examinations
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The meeting was reconvened at 09:51 A.M. with no action taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 09:51 A.M.  
Respectfully Submitted by:

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Demi Shannon, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer