

DEPARTMENTAL MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD,  
MONDAY MAY 22, 2017 10:00 A.M., HANCOCK VILLAGE HALL,  
85 EAST FRONT STREET, HANCOCK, NEW YORK

The Departmental Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Mayor Eugene D Morgan. Roll call was taken by Clerk/Treasurer Falsetta.

Present: Mayor Eugene D. Morgan  
Deputy Mayor Dawn Gotthardt  
Trustee Charlene Caramore  
Trustee Dorothy Picozzi  
Trustee Shaun Shannon

Also Present: Phyllis Falsetta, Village Clerk/Treasurer  
See attached attendance list

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried to approve the April 24, 2017 minutes.

*2017-069*

*Minutes Approval*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Shannon, seconded by Deputy Mayor Gotthardt, voted and carried to approve the Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of \$5,256.03.

*2017-070*

*Abstract of Vouchers*

Departmental reports were reviewed.

DPW Superintendent Vaughn Karcher plans on using water pump #2 after the upcoming holiday weekend to perform maintenance on pump #1. Repairs were made to the water tank and pump that had been struck by lightning last month.

Chief WWTP Operator Bernard Wormuth was excused as he was at the WWTP awaiting a delivery.

Code Enforcement Michael Salvatore was on vacation.

Police Chief Brian diLorenzo informed the Board that the bicycles have been received and are like brand new. The bicycles will be used for patrol over the Memorial Day weekend. Chief diLorenzo requested approval to send officers O'Connor and Petriella to rifle training, June 5 through June 7 at SUNY Oneonta.

The cameras at PD Headquarters were discussed. Chief diLorenzo received a price quote of \$1,800 from Protection1 to install audio on the existing cameras. As audio was to have been included in the initial installation, the Village Attorney will be directed to send a letter to Protection1.

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried to approve the departmental reports.

*2017-071*

*Departmental Reports*

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Shannon, voted and carried to approve Officers O'Connor and Petriella attending rifle training at SUNY Oneonta June 5 – June 7, 2017.

*2017-072*

*Rifle Training*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Shannon, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried to set fines for properties that are in violation of the village lawn maintenance and snow removal ordinances, of which the village crew must remedy at \$500 for the first offense and 20% increments for each additional violation that the village crew remedies. Invoices are to be paid within 30 days with unpaid invoices being taken to Small Claims Court for collection.

2017-073  
Lawn & Snow Maintenance  
Fines Set

Trustee Caramore brought a letter from the Coalition for the Delaware River Watershed addressed to the Governors of New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Pennsylvania and the Mayor of New York City requesting that they work together to develop a reservoir management plan before midnight on May 31<sup>st</sup>. The coalition has requested that the village resolves and send a letter of support to the Governors listed above.

**RESOLUTION 2017-10**

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT PLAN**

2017-074  
RESOLUTION 2017-10  
Support of Development of  
Reservoir Mgmt Plan

**WHEREAS**, the Delaware River runs through the Village of Hancock, Delaware County, New York (the “Village”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Village is highly concerned about the Delaware River Watershed’s management and its impact on the economy, community, and health, safety, and general welfare of Village residents; and

**WHEREAS**, if the governments of New York State, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Delaware do not reach an agreement on or before midnight on May 31, 2017, concerning water releases, then a plan known as “Revision 1” would take effect, resulting in dramatically lower water releases, and a detrimental impact on the overall health of the river and those communities dependent on it;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village Board of the Village of Hancock, Delaware County, New York, hereby urges all involved governments to equitably settle their differences prior to May 31, 2017, and adopt a flow management plan that protects the Delaware River’s health and all its communities.

Said resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Mayor Morgan	aye
Deputy Mayor Gotthardt	aye
Trustee Caramore	aye
Trustee Picozzi	aye
Trustee Shannon	aye

Matthew Stephens of Starrucca, PA addressed the Board with numerous complaints and various subject matter. As Mr. Stephens’s complaints were more of a police matter, Police Chief diLorenzo was able to direct Mr. Stephens to the PD headquarter for further discussion.

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried to enter into executive session at 10:50 A.M. to discuss:

*2017-075*

*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 11:17 a.m. with no action taken.

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Shannon, voted and carried to increase water disconnect for lack of payment fee to \$100 per incident.

*2017-076*

*Unpaid Water Disconnect*

*Fine Increase*

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Phyllis Falsetta, Clerk/Treasurer