

DEPARTMENTAL MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD,
MONDAY MARCH 28, 2022, 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 Charlene Caramore
Trustee Dawn Gotthardt
Trustee Dorothy Picozzi

Also Present: Demi Shannon, Village Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
William Brown, Delaware Engineering
Kristen Barron, Hancock Herald

A MOTION was made by Trustee Caramore, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to approve the February 28, 2022 departmental minutes with corrections.

2022-34

Minutes Approval

A MOTION was made by Trustee Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to approve the Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of \$31,376.32

2022-35

Abstract of Vouchers

Departmental reports were reviewed.

Code Enforcement Officer Peter Hathaway was excused and his report was read by the Mayor.

Waste Water Treatment Plant Chief Operator Bernard Wormuth was excused and his report was read by the Mayor.

Police Sergeant Dan Petersen reported that they had a few arrests in the past month. They met with the Hancock Central School and other agencies to review drills. He spoke with the board about purchasing the in car computers. The Board approved the purchase of the one computer.

Department of Public Works Superintendent Matt Loftus reported that the crew has been doing the normal services. They are repairing and putting the sweeper back together. The crew is patching roads and preparing for Spring. They cleaned up trees and branches from a few storms and are plowing when needed. Matt reported that he has been answering a lot of calls for the pumphouse.

Fire Chief Thomas Rosengrant was not present. Blaise Bojo was present and a report from January through March 2022 was presented. Blaise outlined the calls they have been responding to recently.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Picozzi, seconded by Trustee Caramore voted and carried to accept the Departmental reports.

2022-36

Departmental Reports

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt voted and carried to appoint surplus the land behind the Village Barn at 277 Sands

2022-37

Surplus Land behind Village Barn

Creek Road.

Bill Brown stated that they are getting organized to start up construction again on the Water Project. They are planning to start work on the Water Tank in May or June. They plan on going back and fixing roads and sidewalks that was messed up with the work done last year. Bill also stated that they are starting the process to apply for the next round for Phase 2 of the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Picozzi voted and carried to accept and sign the Rural Fire Contract with the corrections made.

2022-38

Rural Fire Contract

A MOTION was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Caramore voted and carried to purchase Option #1 10 hour block for \$900.00 from the Computer Emergency Room.

2022-39

Comp. Emergency Room Block

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Caramore voted and carried to accept the resignation of Tyler Shirkey from the DPW.

2022-40

T. Shirkey Resignation

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt voted and carried to accept the resignation of Krista Baxter from the Police Department.

2022-41

K. Baxter Resignation

Public Comment: Cullen Bojo asked about the status of the Fire Chief ability to respond to fire calls.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shannon voted and carried at 9:24 A.M. to enter into executive session to discuss:

2022-42

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 10:30 A.M. with no action taken.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Deputy Mayor Shannon voted and carried to reduce the raise discussed for the 2022-2023 Budget from 5.9% to 3% for N. Picozzi employee #31203. Trustee Picozzi abstained from the motion.

2022-43

31203 N. Picozzi Raise Change

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried to pay for the medical exams required for N. Picozzi Employee #31203 to finish her hiring process. Trustee Picozzi abstained from the motion.

2022-44

31203 N. Picozzi Medical Exams

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Shannon, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt voted and carried to have the Fire Department Officers, the Clerks, and the Police Officers drug tested and added to the random testing list as soon as possible.

2022-45

Drug Testing

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Demi Shannon, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer