

DEPARTMENTAL MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD,
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2018 10:00 A.M., HANCOCK VILLAGE HALL,
85 EAST FRONT STREET, HANCOCK, NEW YORK

The Departmental Meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Mayor 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 Trustee Caramore, seconded by Trustee Shannon, voted and carried to approve the August 27, 2018 departmental minutes.

2018-123

Minutes Approval

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Shannon, voted and carried to approve the Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of \$34,289.32.

2018-124

Abstract of Vouchers

Departmental reports were reviewed.

Code Enforcement Officer Peter Hathaway reported that he is waiting to hear back from Read Senior Housing regarding violations. Mr. Hathaway pointed out that the fire extinguishers have been inspected and the emergency exit lights have been replaced. Mr. Hathaway will also talk to the property owners about the ramp exits.

DPW Superintendent Vaughn Karcher had nothing new to report. There was a discussion about the installation of the new water/sewer meters. WWTP Chief Operator Wormuth recommended that the Village contact SUNY Delhi to research hiring students to assist in the installation of the meters. Mr. Wormuth will provide the name of a contact at the college.

WWTP Chief Operator Bernard Wormuth reported that truck T2 needed extensive emergency brake repairs which were performed by Oralls Garage.

Police Officer-In-Charge Dan Petersen was present.

Blaise Bojo was present to represent the Hancock Fire Department as Chief Rolland Bojo, Jr. was excused.

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

2018-125

Departmental Reports

The merging of the Village Court with the Town of Hancock Court was discussed.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Shannon, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to not move the Village Court to the new Town Court offices due to the extreme costs involved.

2018-126

Moving of Court Offices

A MOTION was made by Trustee Shannon, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried to get 3 quotes from contractors to build an office for the Court in the Village Municipal Hall.

2018-127

Quote for Building Court Office

A MOTION was made by Trustee Caramore, seconded by Deputy Mayor Gotthardt, voted and carried to obtain an estimate on the roof repair at the firehouse.

2018-128

HFD Roof Repair Estimate

Village Assessor Joe Gifford was present to address any questions that the Board might have regarding village assessments and the recent SCAR hearing results. Mr. Gifford has also obtained an estimate on the cost to reassess the Village. He will email the estimate to Clerk Falsetta for review at the next meeting.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Caramore, seconded by Deputy Mayor Gotthardt, voted and carried to submit a letter of support to the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation on behalf of the Friends of the Upper Delaware River's "Implementing the Integrated Restoration Objectives of the UDR Stream Corridor Management Plan" grant proposal.

2018-129

Support of FUDR Grant Proposal

A letter was received from William Schoonmaker of 428 Pennsylvania Avenue requesting an adjustment to his 9/1/18 sewer bill due to a problem with his hot water heater.

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to reduce William Schoonmaker's 9/1/18 sewer bill by \$81.12 due to a verified leak.

2018-130

Adj W. Schoonmaker Sewer Bill

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried at 10:58 A.M. to enter into executive session to discuss:

2018-131

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 11:28 A.M with no action taken.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Caramore, seconded by Trustee Shannon, voted and carried to install a “NO TRUCK TRAFFIC” sign on East Main Street at the Read Street intersection.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Phyllis Falsetta, Clerk/Treasurer