

REGULAR MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD,  
MONDAY, JULY 14, 2025 AT 7:00 P.M.  
HANCOCK VILLAGE HALL, 85 EAST FRONT STREET, HANCOCK, NEW YORK

The public hearing to consider closing the entrance to Tops Friendly Market from Crowe Street was called to order by Mayor Shannon at 7:00 P.M.

The floor was opened for public comment.

Rhonda Rether spoke that Tops had no issues with the closure of the Crowe Street access especially if it helps with safety.

The public hearing for closing the entrance to Tops Friendly Market from Crowe Street was closed at 7:01 P.M.

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. by Mayor Shaun Shannon.

Present: Mayor Shaun Shannon  
Deputy Mayor Jason Mead  
Trustee Ricky Kuehn  
Trustee Dorothy Picozzi  
Trustee Shane Mielke

Also Present: Demi Shannon, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer  
Gina Middleton, Attorney Coughlin and Gerhart

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to approve the May 29, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes.

2025-063  
*Minutes Approval*

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried to approve the June 9, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes.

2025-064  
*Minutes Approval*

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by, Trustee Picozzi voted and carried to approve Abstract of Vouchers #02 in the amount of \$72,866.74.

2025-065  
*Abstract Approval*

Alexander Conte spoke about the condition of Golf Course Road. He stated that the first 250 Yards of the road is in really poor condition and very hard to drive on. He asked if the Village was able to do any maintenance they can do on it to make it any better. He voiced his concerns with potentially paint lines on it to make it easier to drive on at night. He also spoke about the same concerns for Pennsylvania Avenue from the Pennsylvania Bridge to the Railroad Tracks.

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by, Trustee Picozzi voted and carried to forgive 41 Berger Street for their sewer usage on their June Bill. They experienced a leak and repaired it. It will forgive \$102.88 of sewer making it a minimum bill for sewer of \$142.00.

2025-066  
*41 Berger St Forgiveness*

- A MOTION** was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried to accept the quote for a quarter page to advertise the new Upahead Alert System. 2025-067  
*Quarter Page Ad*
- A MOTION** was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried to accept and sign the contract from American Fireworks for the firework show at Fireman Field Days. 2025-068  
*Firework Contract*
- A MOTION** was made by Trustee Picozzi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mead, voted and carried to accept the Parade Application for Fireman Field Days. 2025-069  
*Parade Application*
- A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried to accept the monthly reports that were submitted. 2025-070  
*Monthly Reports*
- A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried to accept the following: 2025-071  
*Tops Entrance Closure*

**VILLAGE OF HANCOCK**  
**A RESOLUTION TO CLOSE THE ENTRANCE TO TOPS FRIENDLY MARKET FROM CROWE STREET**

At a meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Hancock, held at the Village Hall 85 East Front Street, Hancock, New York on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025, the following resolution was offered and seconded:

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board of the Village of Hancock had determined that the entrance to Tops Friendly Market from Crowe Street poses significant safety concerns due to inadequate visibility and increased traffic congestion at the intersection of Crowe Street and W Main Street; and

**WHEREAS**, the closure of this entrance is deemed necessary to ensure the safety and well being of the Village of Hancock; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that after due deliberation, the Village Board of the Village of Hancock, pursuant to New York Vehicle and Traffic Law § 1640, and New York Municipal Home Rule Law § 10, hereby closes the entrance to Tops Friendly Market from Crowe Street; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**CERTIFICATION**

I, Phyllis Falsetta, do hereby certify that I am the Village Clerk-Treasurer of the Village of Hancock and that the forgoing constitutes a true, correct and complete copy of the resolution duly adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Hancock at a meeting thereof held at Hancock Village Hall, 85 East Front Street, Hancock, New York on July 14, 2025. Said resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Mayor Shaun Shannon – YES  
Deputy Mayor Jason Mead - YES  
Trustee Ricky Kuehn - YES  
Trustee Shane Mielke - YES  
Trustee Dorothy Picozzi - YES

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mead, voted and carried to set a public hearing for a Village Noise Ordinance on Monday, August 11, 2025 at 7pm at the Village Hall. 2025-072  
*Public Hearing*

Kristen Barron asked about details on the purchasing of the Baptist Church on Wheeler Street. She asked if it was in contract yet or not. The Board stated that they are still in negotiations with the property owner.

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried at 7:14 P.M. to enter into executive session to discuss:

2025- 073

*Executive Session*

- **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 meeting was reconvened at 7:52 P.M. with no action taken.

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Mielke, voted and carried to accept the following:

2025-074

*Legal Services*

### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GINA MIDDLETON**

The Village Board of the Village of Hancock, duly convened in Regular Session July 14, 2025, does hereby RESOLVE as follows:

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board has received and reviewed a proposal dated July 7, 2025, a copy of which is incorporated herein, from Gina Middleton for legal services to be provided to the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board finds it in the best interest of the Village to enter into a legal services agreement with Gina Middleton and any law firm with which she be affiliated as outlined in said proposal;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Village Mayor hereby authorized to execute said legal services agreement with Gina Middleton, with the effective date of legal services beginning July 19, 2025; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the agreement for legal services with Coughlin & Gerhardt, LLP is terminated as of July 19, 2025, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Offered by: Deputy Mayor Mead

Seconded by: Trustee Mielke

### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Phyllis Falsetta, do hereby certify that I am the Village Clerk of the Village of Hancock and that the forgoing constitutes a true, correct and complete copy of the resolution duly adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Hancock at a meeting thereof held at Hancock Village Hall, 85 East Front Street, Hancock, New York, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July. Said resolution was adopted by the following roll call vote:

Mayor Shaun Shannon –	YES
Deputy Mayor Jason Mead -	YES
Trustee Ricky Kuehn -	YES
Trustee Shane Mielke -	YES
Trustee Dorothy Picozzi -	YES

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Mielke, voted and carried at 7:53 P.M. to enter into executive session to discuss:

2025- 075

*Executive Session*

- **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 meeting was reconvened at 9:00 P.M. with no action taken.

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried to increase Rec Center Employees rate of pay:  
Leader \$20.00/hr, Assistant Leader \$18.00/hr, Aids (5) \$16.00/hr

**2025-076**

*Rec Center Pay*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried to increase Honorable Gregory McCann salary to \$7,000.00/ year

**2025-077**

*Judge's Pay*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mead, voted and carried to accept and sign the contract proposed from Delaware County for the foreclosure of Village Properties.

**2025-078**

*Del. Co . Contract Foreclose*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to insure and register the new 2011 Chevy Tahoe contingent on the Fire Department Inc transferring the title to the Village of Hancock, Monthly Inspection of the Tahoe at all Regular Board Meetings, The Fire Dept Inc. Pays for the Radio Install and Decals.

**2025-079**

*2011 Tahoe Insure*

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Demi Shannon, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer