

PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD,
MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M.
HANCOCK VILLAGE HALL, 85 EAST FRONT STREET, HANCOCK, NEW YORK

The public hearing to consider the 2024-2025 Village fiscal budget was opened by Mayor Shannon at 7:00 PM.

There were no questions or comments from the public. The public hearing was closed at 7:05 PM.

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by Mayor Shaun Shannon.

Roll call was taken by Clerk/Treasurer Falsetta.

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

Also Present: Phyllis Falsetta, Clerk/Treasurer
Kristen Barron – Hancock Herald, Bill Brown – Delaware Engineering, Mark Blauer – Blauer Associates, Michael Fruchtman, James Serio

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried to approve the minutes of the February 19, 2024 Regular Board Meeting. 2024-024
Minutes Approval

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried to approve the Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of \$53,008.87 with addition of \$165.00 to Cynthia Rutherford for assisting in Village Court. 2024-025
Abstract of Vouchers

Superintendent of Streets and Water Zazeckie submitted a quote for a 2024 Chevy Silverado 2500HD 4WD Double Cab 148” Work Truck in the amount of \$58,475. The quote was provided by Joe Basil Chevrolet who currently is under state bid.

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead , seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to approve the purchase of a a 2024 Chevy Silverado 2500HD 4WD Double Cab 148” Work Truck under state bid in the amount of \$58,475. 2024-026
2024 Chevy for DPW

A n application for the Hancock Youth League Parade was sent in by Vicky Bogart.

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Mielke, voted and carried to approve the Hancock Youth League Parade on May 4, 2024 beginning at 9 A.M. 2024—027
Youth League Parade

A request for a letter of support from the Village Board was received by Jillian Pagnotti of Friends of the Upper Delaware River for a “Planning for a Riverwalk in Hancock NY” planning grant proposal. The matter was tabled until the next meeting.

Fire Chief Blaise Bojo requested that the Board declare the “old” ladder truck as surplus. It was agreed that before the truck is sold it be appraised. Once received, then the truck can be sold at full market value.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Kuehn, seconded by Trustee Mielke to declare the “old “ ladder truck as surplus and that an appraisal be done before selling it.

2024-028

Ladder Truck as Surplus

Fire Chief Bojo also requested that the Board authorize a training on 4/27/24 at a cost of \$3,000. Chief Bojo stated that non village departments would be charged \$125 each to take the training.

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried to authorize HFD training at a cost of \$3,000.

2024-029

HFD Training

Michael Fruchtmann of 141 Leonard Street was present to express concern over the accumulation of garbage at 190 Leonard Street. Code Officer Hathaway will be informed.

Bill Brown of Delaware Engineering informed the Board that there was an approximately \$45,000 unspent from the water project. He wanted the Board to be aware that those funds can be used to offset the water debt service.

Mr. Brown updated the Board on the Phase II WWTP Grant. The plan is to have the project out to bid by March 27, 2024, bids will be opened on April 18, 2024,. Delaware Engineering will have their recommendation on the bids to the Board at a Special Meeting on Saturday, April 20, 2024. The first contractor invoice must be received by May 8, 2024. Mr. Brown will provide the bid notice to put into the newspaper.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Kuehn, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mead, voted and carried to schedule a Special Meeting on Saturday, April 20, 2024 at 9:00 A.M.

2024-030

Special Meeting

Mark Blauer of Blauer Associates explained the timeline for apply for Phase III WWTP Grant. Mr. Blauer recommended that the Village consider authorizing the Grant Application. If decided not to move forward there is no commitment but if we do decide to move forward, we would already be within the timeline.

Jim Serio requested water/sewer usage information so that he could do another study on our billing process. Mayor Shannon told him to submit a FOIL request.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Kuehn, seconded by Trustee Mielke, the motion was voted against by Mayor Shannon, Deputy Mayor Mead and Trustee Picozzi to support Jim Serio’s study on the water/sewer billing process.

2024-031

Serio W/S Study

A MOTION was made by Trustee Kuehn, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mead, voted and carried to enter into executive session at 7:56 P.M. to discuss 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.

2024-032

Executive Session

The meeting was reconvened at 8:30 P.M. with no action taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Phyllis Falsetta, Clerk/Treasurer