

PUBLIC HEARING & REGULAR MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD
MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025 AT 7:00P.M.
HANCOCK VILLAGE HALL, 85 EAST FRONT STREET, HANCOCK, NEW YORK

The Public Hearing to consider converting Crowe Street into a one way was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Shaun Shannon. There were numerous residents present to express their thoughts on the proposal. David Keller stated that he had no problem with the street being two way but did request that a stop sign be posted at “west end”. Edward Luniewski also had no issues with the street being two way. Maureen Hunt was adamantly opposed to converting the street into a one way. Rebecca Shean was in favor of it stating safety concerns. After much discussion, the meeting was closed at 7:15 P.M.

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:15 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 - Excused
Trustee Shane Mielke
Trustee Dorothy Picozzi

Also Present: Clerk/Treasurer Phyllis Falsetta, Attorney for the Village Gina Middleton,
Village Assessor Dave Rubera, Kristin Barron – Hancock Herald,
Bill Brown – Delaware Engineering, See attached list of others present.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mead, voted and carried to approve the minutes of the April 14 , 2025 Public Hearing and Organizational Meeting.

*2025-044
Minutes Approval*

A MOTION was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to approve the Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of \$79,703.68.

*2025-045
Abstract of Vouchers*

Todd Jacobs was hired by the Village last year to survey the Village’s property on Sands Creek Road, tax #428.16-1.1. Mr. Jacobs came to a dead end due to deed issues. There is one particular property that is of concern as to ownership. He recommended that the Village hire an abstract company to delve deeper into the deeds.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to authorize the hiring of an abstract company to discover the owner of property 428.-1-25.

*2025-046
Hire Abstract Co.*

A parade application from the Hancock Community Education Foundation was received. The parade is scheduled for June 1, 2025.

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to approve the Hancock Community Education Foundation’s parade application for June 1, 2025.

*2025-047
Parade Application*

Susan Bick representing the Hancock Partners, hosts of the annual Blues, Brews & BBQ event on May 24, 2025, was present to request that Wheeler Street be closed between the hours of 7 A.M. until 7 P.M. The Board agreed pending approval from Mr. Rajoppi who owns a business on Wheeler Street.

OIC Dan Petersen was present to discuss parade routes. There are numerous parades held in the Village and it is most times difficult to find officers to cover the intersections. OIC Petersen also pointed out that East Front Street, the only route in and out of the Village is tied up due to the current parade route. He also expressed concerns about emergency vehicles not being able to the other side of the Village. In trying to keep Front Street open, OIC Petersen suggested rerouting the parades through the schools. There was disapproval from the Board and the public. Parades have always been routed through the Village. People line up and down Front Street to watch parades since as far back as anyone could remember.

The Board agreed to list property owners that have unpaid water/sewer as if May 1, 2025; at which point the unpaid list is added to the June 1, 2025 Real Property Tax bills as a lien.

A thank you letter was received from the Upper Delaware Scenic Byway for last month's Donation.

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Mielke, voted and carried to enter into executive session at 7:48 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.

2025-048
Executive Session

The meeting was reconvened at 9:09 P.M.

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Mielke, voted and carried to hire Natalie Woodmansee as a rec center aid.

2025-049
Hire N Woodmansee/Rec

A MOTION was made by Trustee Mielke, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to hire Kourtney Woodmansee as a rec center aid.

2025-050
Hire K Woodmansee/Rec

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried not to change Crowe Street to a one way as the public was 3-1 against the proposal at the hearing.

2025-051
Crow St to Remain a 2 Way

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Phyllis Falsetta, Clerk/Treasurer

