

REGULAR MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD,
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025 AT 7:00 P.M.
HANCOCK VILLAGE HALL, 85 EAST FRONT STREET, HANCOCK, NEW YORK

A continuum of the public hearing to consider a Local Law to enact a Noise Control and Amend the Zoning Code Regarding Noise Limits was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Shaun Shannon.

The floor was opened for public comment.

The changes were read by Gina Middleton. Russell Bass stated that since this whole law stems from Neighbors complaining about his business, he was wondering about the normal truck traffic for that Area.

Joann Drum stated that Deposit, NY has no Jake Brake signs and maybe we can look in to that.

Brad Esolen stated that was concern for snow removal and emergency response vehicles which are covered in the exceptions section of the local law.

There were many concerns that regular truck traffic and normal operations were going to be a concern. The Board decided to raise the dBA's level from 50 to 80 dBAs.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:14 P.M.

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:14 P.M. by Mayor Shaun Shannon.

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

Also Present: Demi Shannon, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer
Gina Middleton, Attorney
See Attached List

A MOTION was made by Trustee Picozzi, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and *2025-087*
carried to approve the August 11, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes with corrections. *Minutes Approval*

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by, Trustee Kuehn voted and *2025-088*
carried to approve Abstract of Vouchers #04 in the amount of \$176,115.12. *Abstract Approval*

The Stark Tech quote was reviewed. Bill Brown stated that it was not needed due to having a three year warranty on the new generators. The Board decided to opt out of the maintenance agreement due to the warranty on the generators.

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by, Trustee Picozzi voted and *2025-089*
carried to approved the parade/event application for Harvest Days on October 11, 2025. *Harvest Days Parade*

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by, Trustee Picozzi, voted and carried to accept and sign the Rural Fire District Contract that was presented for 2026. Including a 2% increase raising the amount to \$138,113.70.

2025-090
Rural Fire District Contract

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried to accept the monthly reports that were submitted.

2025-091
Monthly Reports

A MOTION was made by Trustee Picozzi, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mead, voted and carried to adopt a policy for the automatic removal of inactive police officers from the Village of Hancock roster upon such officers being designated as inactive, which Designation shall automatically occur where an officer fails to respond or otherwise provide working hours as a police officer to the Village for 365 consecutive days.

2025-092
Police Removal after year of not working

Lori Lamica-Nelson spoke on the Cat Care Program. She submitted a bill and stated that they will continue working throughout the Village on cat problems.

Jamie Reynolds from NBT Bank spoke to the board about banking. He stated that fraud is on a rise and is becoming more common even in small towns. They have certain programs to add insurance and protect from fraud. He also spoke on the current interest rates and they may see a fall but that NBT is still holding a strong average of 4%. He wanted to touch base and remind the board that they are a community bank in our community and are here for us.

Public Comment-

Brad Esolen spoke on behalf of the Fire Department. They are in desperate need of a new rescue truck. They have never seen so many rescue calls until this year and will continue to climb on the number of calls. Their current rescue truck is falling apart and is in really rough condition and he cannot say that it won't leave them stranded on a call. They are looking in to starting the process of purchasing the new truck. They believe a new one will be well above \$1,000,000 and a used one will run \$700,000-\$800,000. The board will look in to options and what step to take next.

A MOTION was made by Deputy Mayor Mead, seconded by Trustee Kuehn, voted and carried at 7:42 P.M. to enter into executive session to discuss:

2025- 093
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 9:15 P.M. with no action taken.

A MOTION was made by Trustee Kuehn, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mead, voted and carried to move the November meeting to Thursday November 6, 2025 at 7 P.M.

2025-094
Nov. Meeting Date Change

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Demi Shannon, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer