

REGULAR MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD,  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M.  
HANCOCK VILLAGE HALL, 85 EAST FRONT STREET, HANCOCK, NEW YORK

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Carolann McGrath.

Roll call was taken by Clerk/Treasurer Falsetta.

Present: Mayor Carolann McGrath  
Deputy Mayor Shaun Shannon - Excused  
Trustee Charlene Caramore  
Trustee Dawn Gotthardt  
Trustee Dorothy Picozzi - Excused

Also Present: Phyllis Falsetta, Clerk/Treasurer  
Robert McKertich – Attorney  
William Brown – Delaware Engineering  
Cindy Ray – Hancock Herald  
Valerie Senese, Mike Argiros, William Gross, Dan Clark, Joseph Holemienko  
and Kim Scoville,

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Caramore, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to approve the August 9, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes. **2021-118**  
*Minutes*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried to approve the September 7, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes. **2021-119**  
*Minutes*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Caramore, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to approve the Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of \$55,815.18. **2021-120**  
*Abstract Approval*

A letter was received from the NYS Unified Court System reminding the Board that the Fiscal Year Ending 2021 Court Audit is due.

The Hancock Community Education Foundation will be holding the Annual Tractor Parade on October 9, 2021 at 1 PM. Police and fire assistance is requested for traffic control.

William Brown of Delaware Engineering was present to provide an update on the water and sewer grant projects. The water construction is continuing with the connection of service lines. The lab results on the second well have been received and forwarded to the Department of Health for review. A restoration crew will be coming in the next week or two to repair any property that was damaged due to the project as well as to skim coat the roads.

Valerie Senese will be taking a digital marketing course and will be creating videos of the area. A meeting with the DEC is scheduled for Tuesday, September 14, 2021 and a meeting with the National Parks Service is scheduled for September 15, 2021 regarding Junction Pool.

Bill Gross voiced his support of the Junction Pool project and Mayor McGrath invited him to the meeting with the DEC.

Dan Clark also voiced his support of the Junction Pool project. Mr. Clark updated the Board on the Hancock-Deposit Taxi Service. He also thanked Mayor McGrath for her persistence in bringing the bus line back to Hancock.

Kim Scoville expressed displeasure with the change order on the water project and the \$35 water debt fee on her water bill. Mr. Brown of Delaware Engineering explained that the water debt fee did not only cover the cost of new water mains but included the restoration of the water tank and replacement of the pumps.

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Caramore, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried at 7:35 PM to enter into executive session 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.

**2021-121**  
*Executive Session*

The meeting was reconvened at 7:59 PM with no action taken.

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried to scrap the Crown Vic that had previously been declared as surplus.

**2021-122**  
*Crown Vic to be Scrapped*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried to give a \$.50 an hour pay increase to M. Dufton for receiving his Class D Water License.

**2021-123**  
*M Dufton Pay Increase*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Caramore, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to pay to the Hancock Partners the balance of \$9,000 for 2020-2021 and \$10,000 for the 2021-2022 budgets as agreed for the grant writing and tourism collaboration. The final payment in the amount of \$10,000 will be made in 2022-2023.

**2021-124**  
*Hancock Partner Installments  
for Years 1 & 2*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Caramore, voted and carried to accept the settlement agreement in the case of Mason v Village of Hancock.

**2021-125**  
*Mason v Hancock Settlement*

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Phyllis Falsetta, Clerk/Treasurer