

DEPARTMENTAL MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD,  
TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2013 9:00 A.M., HANCOCK VILLAGE HALL,  
85 EAST FRONT STREET, HANCOCK, NEW YORK

The Departmental Meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Mayor John Martin. Roll call was taken by Clerk/Treasurer Falsetta.

Present: Mayor John Martin  
Deputy Mayor Hartz  
Trustee Dawn Gotthardt  
Trustee William Schoonmaker was excused  
Trustee Patrick O'Brien was excused

Also Present: Phyllis Falsetta, Village Clerk/Treasurer  
See attached attendance list

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartz, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to approve May 28, 2013 Departmental Meeting Minutes.

*2013-098  
Minutes Approval*

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to approve the final 2012-2013 Abstract of Vouchers.

*2013-099  
2012-2013 Final Abstract  
Approval*

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartz, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to approve the June 2013 Abstract of Vouchers.

*2013-100  
Abstract Approval*

Street and Water Foreman Larry Connell reported that the transmission in the riding mower has gone bad. The cost of a new transmission is approximately \$850, labor is not included in that figure. Mr. Connell was instructed to obtain a quote for the labor on the repair.

Mayor Martin asked Waste Water Plant Operator Bernard Wormuth about the condition of the skid steer. Mr. Wormuth reported that it is still being used but is "cutting out" periodically. Due to the fact that this problem is intermittent they have not been able to diagnose the cause. Mayor Martin would like to put the skids steer up for sale at auction.

Code Enforcement Officer Michael Salvatore had no issues to bring to the Board.

Betsy Hempstead of Fifield Avenue addressed the Board and Mr. Salvatore regarding a garbage truck that has been parked in the neighborhood. Mayor Martin explained that it is not a violation of Village Code to park a tractor trailer on private property but he has spoken to Mr. Hall, owner of Buffalo Dental on LaBarre Street and was advised that there are plans to park the truck at their facility. Code Enforcement Officer Salvatore pointed out that the property that the truck is parked on is zoned industrial. It was stated by Ms. Hempstead that the trailer has a horrible odor and leaves odorous sludge in the road when it rains which is a violation of Village Code. Mr. and Mrs.

Kimbrig of Yendes Street also lodged a complaint about odors and added that the truck is started up in the middle of the night and find that disturbing. Mr. Kimbrig also expressed concern with the condition of the building on the private property where the truck is parking stating that at least six windows are broken out. James Rotzler of Fifield Avenue has spoken to the owners of Buffalo Dental. He reaffirmed the complaint of noxious odors and noise. Mr. Rotzler also pointed out that the weight of the tractor trailer is caving in the parts of Fifield Ave. Code Enforcement Officer Salvatore suggested that the attending residents contact him when the tractor trailer is parked so that he can investigate. It was suggested that a local law be drafted prohibiting the parking of tractor trailers on private property within the Village. The Board agreed to consider such a local law.

Fire Chief Tony Giordano was excused, James Rotzler presented in his stead. The HFD is requesting a \$1,500 contribution towards their annual fireworks display. The Board will revisit the request at the July 8, 2013 meeting after reviewing the budget. Mr. Rotzler informed the Board that the frame on vehicle 1712 is being repaired and it is hoped that it will last another five years.

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartz, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to accept all monthly departmental reports.

*2013-101*

*Approve Dept. Reports*

An appraisal quote for the Pennsylvania Avenue property was received from Olin Group in the amount of \$1,300. It was agreed that additional quotes should be obtained for the July 8, 2013 meeting.

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to cancel the pending contract with DEC for fishing access on Pennsylvania Avenue known as Point Mountain Fishing Access.

*2013-102*

*Cancel Fishing Access Contract  
w/DEC at Penna. Ave.*

Quotes for fire and carbon monoxide monitoring at the municipal building were received from Sentry Alarms and Vivint; we are still waiting to hear from ADT. Clerk Falsetta was instructed to contact Vivint regarding the contract process.

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to approve HFD Membership of James DeGroat and Alan N. Tiffany C. Steven A Bolster pending the required background checks .

*2013-103*

*HFD Membership Applications  
J. DeGroat & A. Bolster*

A letter was received from the Hancock Central School Student Council regarding the annual Homecoming Parade on September 20, 2013. The route was identified and the HFD was invited to participate in the parade.

A news release was received from NYSEG informing that they will be conducting airborne routine inspections of their transmission facilities.

The NYS Office of Real Property submitted the Village's Final Equalization rate of 81.91.

Patrick O'Boyle sent a note thanking the Board for allowing him to complete his Eagle Scout project by cleaning up the property at DeWitt Reservoir (end of Golf Course Road).

A letter of resignation from his full time police officer position was received from Officer Kyle Karcher, effective June 29, 2013.

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried accept Officer Karcher's resignation from his position of full time police officer.

**2013-104**  
*K. Karcher F/T Police Officer  
Resignation*

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartz, voted and carried to enter into executive session at 10:50 A.M. to review and discuss personnel matters.

**2013-105**  
*Executive Session*

The meeting was adjourned at 11:53 A.M. with no action taken.

**A MOTION** was made Deputy Mayor Hartz, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to promote Megan Martin to Rec Center Leader at a rate of \$10.25/hr. to hire Stephanie Kuehn as Assistant Rec Center Leader at a rate of \$8.50/hr. and to hire Jasmine Miller as a rec center aide at a rate of \$7.25/hr. after considering all applications received and the recommendations of the past director of which no applications were received.

**2013-106**  
*Rec Center Hires: M. Martin  
S. Kuehn & J. Miller*

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartz, voted and carried to increase Police Officer salaries to \$15.00 per hour.

**2013-107**  
*Police Officer pay Increase*

Temporary Officer in Charge Louis Romano submitted his letter of resignation, effective immediately.

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartz, voted and carried to accept OIC Louis Romano's resignation.

**2013-108**  
*OIC Louis Romano Resignation*

The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Phyllis Falsetta Clerk/Treasurer