

DEPARTMENTAL MEETING OF THE HANCOCK VILLAGE BOARD,  
MONDAY OCTOBER 28, 2013 10:00 A.M., HANCOCK VILLAGE HALL,  
85 EAST FRONT STREET, HANCOCK, NEW YORK

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

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

Also Present: Phyllis Falsetta, Village Clerk/Treasurer

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartz, seconded by Trustee Schoonmaker, voted and carried to approve September 23, 2013 Minutes.

*2013-170*

*Minutes Approval*

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartz, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to approve the Abstract of Vouchers for a total abstract amount of \$94,645.97.

*2013-171*

*Abstract Approval*

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Schoonmaker, voted and carried to approve the "Paid" Abstract of Vouchers in the amount of \$202.99.

*2013-172*

*Paid Abstract Approval*

Street & Water Supervisor informed the Board that all equipment is now housed in the storage shed.

The Village Crew has been sucking up leaves that are left on the edges of residents' properties and will continue to do so.

WWTP Chief Operator Wormuth reported that the annual inspection of the WWTP has been conducted. Mayor Martin informed the Board that he has actively been requesting quotes on a new truck for the WWTP. Chief Operator Wormuth stated that they are having problems with leaves getting into the clarifiers but have had no problem accepting sludge from the East Branch rest area.

Code Officer Salvatore's report was reviewed.

Acting Police Chief diLorenzo reported that the Spectrum Justice Computer system is up and running. He is actively researching the Trax system grant for the purchase of a 2<sup>nd</sup> Trax system. The open house that was held on October 11th was very successful. He reported that Officers Petersen and Beers have completed field training school. He attended a criminal history and a sex offender seminar.

Fire Chief Giordano requested permission to purchase LED lighting for the outdoor lights at the firehouse. The cost will be approximately \$300 per light with a total of lights. The new LED lights will be 43 watts opposed to the current 215 watts, so there will be a substantial energy cost saving.

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to change the outside lighting at the firehouse to LED fixtures at an approximate cost of \$1,800. *2013-173  
Conversion of Lights @  
Firehouse*

Fire Chief Giordano reported that he has repaired the hot water heater at the firehouse. The Village crew will be assisting with flushing the heating system at the firehouse on 11/1/13. The tarp that was ripped during the mutual aid call at Trout Creek will cost \$550 to replace. The Board requested that Fire Chief Giordano get price quotes on thermostats. Chief Giordano also requested that a street light be erected at the end of the driveway to the firehouse.

A letter was received from the Rescue Squad informing the Board that the following Members be removed from the Rescue Squad roster due to inactivity (Bylaw Article II, Paragraph 2):  
Melissa Dunlap  
Thomas Wood  
Richard Ostrander  
Rhonda Van Loan

The Village Justice report was reviewed.

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Schoonmaker, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartz, voted and carried to accept all departmental reports as presented. *2013-174  
Departmental Reports*

A revised proposal in the amount of \$9,100 was received from General Code to update Village Code Books.

**A MOTION** was made by Trustee Gotthardt, seconded by Trustee Schoonmaker, voted and carried to approve the revised General Code proposal (\$9,100) and for Mayor Martin to sign the contract. *2013-175  
General Code Proposal*

Regina McVay of the Hancock-Chehocton Historical Society, who had submitted a letter resigning her position at the September 23, 2013 meeting, turned over the society's financial records to the Village Board. She will be dropping the keys off later in the week.

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin, seconded by Trustee Gotthardt, voted and carried to reschedule the November Monthly Meeting to Tuesday, November 12, 2013 in observance of Veteran's Day. *2013-176  
Reschedule Nov. Monthly  
Meeting*

Mayor Martin appointed Frank Possemato, Jr. as temporary Director of the Hancock-Chehocton Historical Society. Clerk Falsetta was instructed to send him Notification.

Resident James Rotzler of Fifield Avenue was present and questioned the single yield sign at the railroad crossing intersection of Yendes and West Front Streets. After a brief discussion, Acting Chief diLorenzo suggested that the intersection be changed to a three way stop. The change would require the adoption of a local law. The matter was tabled until the November Monthly Meeting so that a local law could be discussed with the Village Attorney.

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartz, voted and carried at 10:55 a.m. to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters and contracts. **2013-177**  
*Executive Session*

The regular meeting was reconvened at 11:50 a.m. with no action taken.

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hartz, voted and carried to hire Kevin Gavette as a part time police officer on a six month Probationary period at an hourly pay rate of \$13.00 per hour. **2013-178**  
*Hire K. Gavette as P/T*  
*Police Officer*

**A MOTION** was made by Mayor Martin, Seconded by Trustee Schoonmaker, voted and carried to terminate and remove from the police roll S. Kuebler. **2013-179**  
*Terminate R. Kuebler*

**A MOTION** was made by Deputy Mayor Hartz, seconded by Trustee Schoonmaker, Voted and carried to accept the CDPHP Gold health insurance proposal for retirees. **2013-180**  
*CDPHP Gold Health Ins.*

The meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Phyllis Falsetta - Clerk/Treasurer