

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
7467 SOUTH BROADWAY
RED HOOK, NY 12571
VILLAGE BOARD
JANUARY 6, 2003**

Present: Mayor Cohen
Trustee Thayer
Trustee Seymour
Trustee Helsley
Trustee McCarthy

Mayor Cohen opened the meeting at 7:30 with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Trustee Thayer made a motion to accept the minutes from December 2, 2002 Village Board meeting. Trustee Helsley seconded. All were in favor.

FINANCE

Trustee Seymour read the Treasurer's report:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 328,863.38
WATER FUND	24,363.96
TRUST & AGENCY	-206.83
RESOURCE RECOVERY	11,627.43
PETTY CASH	39.29

Trustee Thayer made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Trustee Helsley seconded. All were in favor.

POLICE

OIC Brad Moore read the police report for the month of December 02: 108 registered complaints, 37 uniform traffic tickets, 48 parking tickets, 12 accidents investigated, 2 arrests, DC 113 1989 miles patrolled

PLANNING & ZONING

Trustee Thayer read the building and zoning report for the month of December: 2 building permits, 2 CO's, 8 municipal searches, and \$ 1020.00 was collected in fees.

GARBAGE & RECYCLE

Trustee Helsley reported on 14.33 T of refuse, 3.02 T of commingle, 1.26 T of paper. Tipping fees are up to \$ 75.50. Snow removal will continue for two nights. Tower St. and West Market St. sidewalks will be cleaned of snow. All hydrants must be cleared of snow for emergencies. Salt and sand has been ordered and Chris Kavanagh has been hired for winter part-time help.

WATER

Trustee McCarthy read the water report for the month of December 02: 2 bacteria samples were taken and sent to lab – SOC group 1 & 2 samples were taken, results attached – nitrate and asbestos samples were taken, results attached – water meters were read for January billing – riser was replaced on West Market St. – shut off was lowered on Church St. Ext. as requested by customer – fire hydrant was replaced due to be hit by a car on Prince St. – average daily usage: 266,484. Also, Trustee MCCarthy requested a notice be put in the newspaper for residents to keep all hydrants clear of snow and ice.

MISC.

Trustee Seymour reported on the new light poles in Red Hook Estates, which will be installed by Central Hudson. There will be 8 fiberglass light poles installed. Mayor Cohen will sign this agreement within a few months. Also, Trustee Seymour has stated that the Village Green has sent out six requests for quotes to have the front of the Village Hall landscaped this spring. The Village's oil burner has not been cleaned in two years. This unit is 50 years old. Bottini will submit a service contract for cleaning and maintenance along with a bid on replacing the entire unit. The Village Green will meet on 1-7-03. At this meeting they will sort through the budget. Their goal is to be awarded \$ 10,000.00 in grant monies to landscape the front of the Village Hall.

Mayor Cohen has asked all department heads to submit their budgets by the next board meeting. The Village Hall will be closed on January 20th. Mayor Cohen asked the board to make a motion to elect Mary Kelly, Richard Coon, and Betty Franklyn as election inspectors. Village Elections will be on March 18, 2003 at the Grange Hall. Between 12:00 noon and 9:00 pm. Also, to hire outside the Village limits for election inspectors and to have no registration day. Trustee McCarthy made this in the form of a motion. Trustee Seymour seconded. All were in favor.

Harold Fell stated that the Red Hook Garden Club hung a wreath on the gazebo in Abrahams Park. The Village Clerk will send a thank you note. Also, Clerk Cole will send a letter to the NYS DOT and request the snowplows slow down while plowing through the Village. Linda Bard requested the Broadway Grille push back their lunch sign and two trees that are in the middle of the sidewalk. Linda Bard displayed her disappointment at the Village Board for hiring Lara Hart. At previous meeting the Mayor said he would put an ad in the newspaper for a part time office worker to be shared between the police and clerks office. Linda was interested in this position. Terry Coon inquired about snow removal being put out to bid. Mayor Cohen responded by saying that according to the Conference of Mayor's it does not have to be put out to bid. Rex Maine asked if the red hook would be put back on the building. Mayor Cohen said were working on it. Also why didn't the village highway department remove snow between the hours of 1:00 am and 6:00 am. The Board discussed this and agreed that it was the best time to remove snow. Linda Bard inquired about the volunteer fireman receiving a discount of there village tax. Mayor Cohen stated that their were three fireman on the Village Board and we are waiting advisement from out Attorney. We might need to go for a referendum. It was also mentioned if the village could put a notice in the paper for residents not to shovel snow back into the street. 8:00 pm the board adjourned into executive session to discuss personnel issues. 8:40 the village board convened from executive session. Trustee Thayer made a motion to pay bills after audit. Trustee McCarthy seconded. All were in favor. Trustee Seymour made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Thayer seconded. All were in favor.

Submitted by

Cindi Cole
Clerk