

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
WORKSHOP
OCTOBER 20, 2011**

Present: Mayor Blundell, Deputy Mayor Kovalchik, Trustee Trapp, Trustee Seymour, Trustee Norris

- 2011 CDBG – Sidewalk extensions and repairs have been pulled until spring 2012. M. A. Day did not include the wage report in the packet, therefore project will be delayed. Funding is still there and not jeopardized but project must be done by August. Trustee Trapp will watch check future process for proper submission. Work permits should be updated.
- 2012 CDBG application for water improvement was hand delivered the Dutchess County Department of Planning by Mayor Blundell and DM Kovalchik.
- Seasonal Parking ordinance – A local law for the Village to tow cars in no parking zones during the winter months. This law will be re-filed and modified to allow the Village highway/Police department to have the authority to have cars towed. A rotation list of Tow Company's will be made available. This list will contain at least 4 companies and they will quote for one year. Fees do not go to village, right to tow shop. Place must be close and must be available 24 hours a day to tows. This will include only Village Street's A public hearing has been scheduled for November 7th 2011 at 7:15 to discuss modifying seasonal all night parking.
- FEMA – Data is being collected from the storm Irene. The submission deadline is 2 months away. Mayor Blundell will contact Ken Davidson from Emergency Response.
- Wells- Pump # motor burned out and is being repaired, not under warranty. Pump was installed in 1997 and a new one will cost \$ 11,000.00 to \$ 15,000.00. This repair is due to age/use not able to be an insurance claim.
- Water bills- Due to a new meter reader the water bills went out 5 weeks late. Central Hudson charge is still a problem with some residents. Plan is to get charge pro-rated and larger users should pay more than a single family residence. There are 83 estimate reads. Replacing meters should help to make usage more accurate.
- Special Prosecutor – Kelly Flood-Myers submitted a letter of resignation effective December 21, 2011. Ms. Flood-Myers also mentioned in her letter to the board she is owed and was promised prior Mayor \$ 5,400.00 for insurance buy-out. Trustee Trapp suggested we forward to counsel for legal opinion, since it was 4 years ago. Local Attorney Donna Nebel, along with others, is being considered and will be discussed at a later time.
- Cohen water hook up – David Cohen of South Broadway is asking for water hook for a sub-division of .62 acres on Firehouse Lane. There is a sale pending. Mayor Blundell stated that he and the board must review all new water applications in the future, per letter tyo Planning Board, and DC DOH agreement. Discussed lot size, DOH agreement and project. Mayor Blundell will submit a letter to the DOH and David Cohen approving this new water hook-up. Trustee Kovalchik made a motion to approve a new water hook up for David Cohen on Firehouse Lane. Trustee Trapp seconded. All were in favor.
- Potential New Traffic Light at the intersection of Rt. 9 and Firehouse Lane was discussed several years ago to install a traffic light. Mayor Blundell located an old file for review. He also spoke to NYS DOT and reached out to the surveyor since our file contains no map. Marie Welsh prepared a survey mapyears ago but a copy is not in the file. Much of the cost will be on the Village for a new traffic light since we need to buy land at the Firehouse Lane side, engineer the road changes and build the new intersection. The intersection will have to be squared off. DOT

indicated it would be years before they can schedule in a new light and they have no budget to change the road themselves.

- Zoning revisions – Trustee Trapp is having some problems with the new zoning map that was submitted by Dan Wheeler. Mayor Blundell would like a new map done from with the tax maps on auto cad. Trustee Trapp will seek maps, redo and submit to the board for approval.
- Landfill – Highway Super Dan Streib is requesting the Village burn brush in the landfill. The cost to chip and haul away is estimated around \$ 10,000.00 to \$ 14,000.00, every two years. The savings to the Village would be great. Town currently burns. Mayor Blundell would like to try to burn during the winter months and to burn quarterly. Landfill is close to wells 5, 6, & 7. Trustee Seymour made a motion to approve burning the brush in the landfill, with the stipulation they follow all fire & safety regulations, and the Fire Department is notified. Trustee Kovalchik seconded. All were in favor.
- Red Hook Fire Department solar panels- a new map had been submitted to show the location of the PV panels. Must go through the Town planning department and the short form SEQRA must be filed and submitted to the planning board.

9:10 Trustee Norris made a motion to adjourn in to executive session to discuss personnel matters. Trustee Kovalchik seconded. All were in favor.

10:00 re-convenes from executive session.

Trustee Kovalchik made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Norris seconded. All were in favor.

Submitted by,

Cynthia Cole
Clerk/Treasurer