

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 3, 2017
4:00 PM**

Present: Mayor Blundell, DM Kovalchik, Trustee Laing, Trustee Norris, Trustee Trapp, Assistant Clerk Drewes. Absent: Clerk/Treasurer Chiarella.

Mayor Blundell opened the meeting at 4:02 p.m..

6 Month Moratorium in GBD:

Mayor Blundell advised the Board of word circulating about the possible property purchase, leading to demolition of the existing property and the expansion of the Mobil Mart & gas station. He stated that this does not match with any idea of a sustainable Village aesthetic, and read his proposed resolution for a 6 month moratorium on building demolition and expansion of auto related business in the general business district to the Board. Trustee Norris asked if gas stations could be specifically targeted. Mayor Blundell stated that counsel drafted the documents in accord with goals and impediments. Village counsel has recommended a Zoning Review Committee (ZRC) be appointed. Trustee Trapp stated that the current zone use could be removed from the general business district (GBD), which would not allow new expansion but that existing businesses would be grandfathered in. Trustee Norris questioned whether the moratorium would affect the expansion of restaurants and other vendors. Mayor Blundell referenced the specifics listed in the resolution and pointed out it would not.

Mayor Blundell made a motion to appoint Trustees Trapp & Kovalchik as Village members on the new ZRC, as well as a person who owns property in the GBD, not yet named. Trustee Trapp seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Mayor Blundell introduced:

**Resolution # 31 – 2017
ESTABLISHING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE ADOPTION BY THE VILLAGE BOARD
OF THE VILLAGE OF RED HOOK OF A SIX MONTH MORATORIUM ON DEMOLITION AND MOTOR
VEHICLE SERVICE STATIONS IN THE GB DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, a proposed local law entitled, "A local law placing a six-month moratorium on all applications and permits for demolition of a structure over 120 square feet and for establishment, expansion of modification of a motor vehicle service station in the GB District" has been presented to the Village Board; and

WHEREAS, the proposed local law constitutes a Type II action for purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.5(c)(30).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Board of Trustees of the Village shall hold a public hearing on November 16, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall, 7467 S. Broadway, Red Hook, New York, to hear all interested parties on said proposed local law; and

2. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish notice of said public hearing in the official newspaper of said Village, on or before November 6, 2017 which is not less than ten days prior to the date of said public hearing; and

3. The Village Clerk is further authorized and directed to provide written notice of the proposed Local Law to the Town Clerk of the Town of Red Hook, on or before November 6, 2017, which is not less than ten days prior to the date of said public hearing; and

4. The Village Clerk is further authorized and directed to refer the question of the adoption of the proposed local law to the Dutchess County Department of Planning and Development for a report and recommendation thereon pursuant to Section 239-m of the General Municipal Law and to request expedited review by November 16, 2017.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

Ed Blundell	Voting: Aye
Brent Kovalchik	Voting: Aye
Charlie Laing	Voting: Aye
Jennifer Norris	Voting: Aye
Jay Trapp	Voting: Aye

HIGHWAY DEPT. SNOW/DUMP TRUCK BOND:

Mayor Blundell introduced Resolution #29 and the resulting 29A, and explained that a vote must be re-done because not all board members were present at the last meeting so there were not enough votes to have the majority percentage needed on the bonding aspect.

He explained the payment plan using bond information provided by David Wright at Salisbury Bank. Comparison of interest rates in private market(which requires brokerage and more legal) indicates the Salisbury Bank rate and closing work make them a less costly option. 29A is to illustrate the funding after the bond authorization.

RESOLUTION #29 – 2017

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF RED HOOK, NEW YORK, ADOPTED NOVEMBER 3, 2017, AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF A PLOW TRUCK, STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$173,355, APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$173,355 TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF RED HOOK, IN THE COUNTY OF DUTCHESS, NEW YORK, HEREBY RESOLVES (by the favorable vote of not less than two-thirds of all the members of said Board of Trustees) AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Village of Red Hook, in the County of Dutchess, New York (herein called the "Village"), is hereby authorized to acquire a plow truck. The estimated maximum cost thereof, including preliminary

costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, is \$173,355 and said amount is hereby appropriated for such purpose. The plan of financing includes the issuance of not to exceed \$173,355 bonds of the Village to finance said appropriation, and the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the Village to pay the principal of said bonds and the interest thereon as the same shall become due and payable.

Section 2. Bonds of the Village in the principal amount of \$173,355 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called the "Law"), to finance said appropriation.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The period of probable usefulness applicable to the object or purpose for which said bonds are authorized to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 28 of the Law, is fifteen (15) years.

(b) The proceeds of the bonds herein authorized, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, may be applied to reimburse the Village for expenditures made after the effective date of this resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

(c) The proposed maturity of the bonds authorized by this resolution will exceed five (5) years.

Section 4. Each of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, shall contain the recital of validity as prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, shall be general obligations of the Village, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the Village. The faith and credit of the Village are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds, and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, and provision shall be made annually in the budget of the Village by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the bonds and any notes in anticipation thereof to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 5. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and of the Law and pursuant to the provisions of Section 21.00 of the Law relative to the authorization of bonds with substantially level or declining annual debt service, Section 30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes and Section 50.00 and Sections 56.00 to 60.00 and Section 168.00 of the Law, the powers and duties of the Board of Trustees relative to authorizing bond anticipation notes and prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the bonds herein authorized, and of any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, and the renewals of said bond anticipation notes, and as to executing agreements for credit enhancement, are hereby delegated to the Village Treasurer, the chief fiscal officer of the Village.

Section 6. The validity of the bonds authorized by this resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

(a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the Village is not authorized to expend money, or

(b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of such resolution, or a summary thereof, are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

(c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the constitution.

Section 7. This bond resolution is subject to a permissive referendum and the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, within ten (10) days after the adoption of this resolution, to publish or cause to be published, in full, in the official newspaper of the Village, a newspaper having a general circulation within said Village and hereby designated the official newspaper of the Village for such publication, and

posted in at least six (6) public places and in each polling place in the Village, a Notice in substantially the following form:

VILLAGE OF RED HOOK, NEW YORK

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on November 3, 2017, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Red Hook, in the County of Dutchess, New York, adopted a bond resolution entitled:

“Bond Resolution of the Village of Red Hook, New York, adopted November 3, 2017, authorizing the acquisition of a plow truck, stating the estimated maximum cost thereof is \$173,355, appropriating said amount for such purpose, and authorizing the issuance of bonds in the principal amount of not to exceed \$173,355 to finance said appropriation,”

an abstract of such bond resolution, concisely stating the purpose and effect thereof, being as follows:

FIRST: AUTHORIZING the acquisition of a plow truck; STATING the estimated maximum cost thereof, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and the financing thereof, is \$173,355; APPROPRIATING said amount for such purpose; and STATING the plan of financing includes the issuance of not to exceed \$173,355 bonds of the Village to finance said appropriation, and the levy of a tax upon all the taxable real property within the Village to pay the principal of said bonds and interest thereon;

SECOND: AUTHORIZING the issuance of \$173,355 bonds of the Village pursuant to the Local Finance Law of the State of New York (the “Law”) to finance said appropriation;

THIRD: DETERMINING and STATING the period of probable usefulness applicable to the purpose for which said bonds are authorized to be issued is fifteen (15) years; the proceeds of said bonds and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation thereof may be applied to reimburse the Village for expenditures made after the effective date of this bond resolution for the purpose for which said bonds are authorized; and the proposed maturity of said bonds will exceed five (5) years;

FOURTH: DETERMINING that said bonds and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds and the renewals of said bond anticipation notes shall be general obligations of the Village; and PLEDGING to their payment the faith and credit of the Village;

FIFTH: DELEGATING to the Village Treasurer the powers and duties as to the issuance of said bonds, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, or the renewals thereof; and

SIXTH: DETERMINING that the bond resolution is subject to a permissive referendum.

DATED: November 3, 2017

Cynthia Chiarella
Village Clerk

Section 8. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed, after said bond resolution shall take effect, to cause said bond resolution to be published, in summary, in the newspaper referred to in Section 7 hereof, and hereby designated the official newspaper for said publication, together with a Notice in substantially the form as provided by Section 81.00 of the Law.

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The adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:
AYES: Mayor Blundell, DM Kovalchik, Trustee Laing, Trustee Norris, Trustee Trapp.
The resolution was declared adopted.

**RESOLUTION #29A - 2017
SALISBURY BANK AND TRUST COMPANY/BONDING FOR RED HOOK VILLAGE
2018 FREIGHTLINER 108SD SNOW PLOW - DUMP TRUCK**

Resolution dated November 3 2017, authorizing budget lines used for funding assistance and the issuance of a note for \$88,855 in the form of a municipal bond pursuant to the Local Finance Law, for the purpose of the purchase of a new 2018 Freightliner Truck.

Whereas, the Village of Red Hook intends to purchase from Patriot Truck Inc. a 2018 Freightliner 108SD Dump/Plow truck as fitted with options as listed in Unit #JE 4874; for the purpose of highway department and water department use, subject to bonding requirements; and

Whereas, Salisbury Bank has a line of credit and offers that to the Village of Red Hook at an interest rate of 1.88% and the Village may utilize that as a down payment conveyance vehicle;

Whereas, The Village Board has identified 2016-17 and 2017-2018 fiscal year line items that will be compiled and utilized to reduce the borrowing. This amount will be \$40,000 from the General Fund –Fund Balance; \$20,000 CHIPS 5110.3,; \$10,000 Highway Capital Outlay 5110.2;Highway CD Reserve Fund A9621 \$5,000; Water -Fund Balance \$7,500; Snow Vehicle Repair 5142.42 \$2,000= \$84,500. This amount is to be used to reduce the purchase price as a down payment.

Proceeds from the sale of the 1996 International truck and FEMA recovery money from Storm Stella will be deposited in the Highway Reserve CD Fund #A9621 toward the first bond payment.

Whereas; the terms, forms and contents of such bond are proscribed by law, authority to complete the process is hereby delegated to Edward Blundell, Mayor of the Village of Red Hook. The Mayor of the Village of Red Hook or Treasurer Cynthia Chiarella is hereby directed to sign any note and ancillary documents to gather the funds issued pursuant to this resolution, and the Village Clerk Cynthia Chiarella is hereby directed to attest said signature and to affix to such notes the corporate seal of the Village of Red Hook.

Motion: Mayor Blundell
Second: DM Kovalchik
Vote: All in favor

POLICE STAFFING:

At this time, Sgt. Hildenbrand joined the meeting, and explained that he would like to hire a third full time officer from within. He stated that he typically hires 2 or 3 people per year who are young, and freshly graduated from the academy. The Village Police Dept. trains and equips the new officers at a high cost, but turn-over is high because they are offered F/T positions elsewhere with benefits. The Sgt. stated that it takes several months to train a new officer, and that after that introductory period they often find F/T employment elsewhere. He stated that the costs for training multiple hires far outweigh the costs for one additional F/T officer. Having just completed his physical exam, Officer James Simmons is at the top of the Ulster County Civil Service eligible police officer list. Sgt. Hildenbrand would like to hire him as a F/T Village officer. DM Kovalchik asked whether per the union contract, the Village would be required to pay for family health insurance. Sgt. Hildenbrand stated that it would, although he did not anticipate it being an issue for several years since James Simmons is currently single. Trustee Norris asked whether his hourly rate would increase, and Sgt. Hildenbrand stated that it would. He said Simmons' F/T hire would reduce scheduling for the P/T officers, but would not downsize the department. Trustee Laing questioned whether P/T officers are allowed to work over 20 hours a week. Sgt. Hildenbrand stated that they are, with the submission of an RPC form to Dutchess County. Trustee Norris asked if and when the Village budget changes, the F/T costs can be sustained. Mayor Blundell and Sgt. Hildenbrand both stated that the balance is in offsetting costs. Trustee Norris asked if there were any other eligible officers on our force who would be eligible for the position. Sgt. Hildenbrand said no. He also stated that since the officer's schedules are yearly, the new F/T position could also be used as SRO. Trustee Trapp inquired whether the benefits yearly cost will affect a budget increase or a need for vehicles, and the Sgt. said there would be no necessary budget increases.

At this time, Trustee Trapp left the meeting for a prior appointment.

Mayor Blundell stated that if the police department did require budget increase, there is some residual under the tax cap available if necessary. Sgt. Hildenbrand insisted that a decision must be made at tonight's meeting, because a new Civil Service list would be available on 11/11/17. Mayor Blundell stated that in total, Officer Simmons would be receiving an \$11,000.00 increase, including benefits.

After reviewing staffing, Mayor Blundell made a motion to authorize Sgt. Hildenbrand to proceed through the motions to hire Officer James Simmons full time through Civil Service. DM Kovalchik seconded the motion. All were in favor.

At this time, Sgt. Hildenbrand left the meeting.

STREET LIGHTING:

Mayor Blundell stated that merchants have brought it to his attention that a new LED streetlight is needed on E Market St. near Get Juiced. Mayor Blundell introduced:

**Resolution # 30 – 2017
Street Lighting Authority Order**

Resolution dated November 3, 2017, authorizing Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation to make changes to the street lighting on E. Market Street at Pole # 136227, in the form of installing a 6800 W LED replacement bulb.

Motion: Mayor Blundell

Second: DM Kovalchik
All in favor.

HELMET DROP:

Mayor Blundell reviewed the request from the American Cruisers Motorcycle Club, Chapter 123 to operate a fundraising helmet drop on Route 9 at the four corners in the center of the Village. Mayor Blundell does not approve of the helmet drop but read the club director's request to the Board. After brief discussion, it was decided that the club would not be permitted to do the drop on the roads due to safety concerns and traffic laws, and that a different method and location of fundraising would be preferred for the future.

At 5:44 p.m., DM Kovalchik motioned to adjourn the meeting,
Trustee Norris seconded the motion.

Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,

Arie Drewes
Assistant Clerk