

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
VILLAGE BOARD
04-06-09**

Present: Mayor Cohen, Trustee Blundell, Trustee Trapp, Trustee Kovalchik, Trustee Seymour

Mayor Cohen opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Blundell to accept the minutes from 03-02-09, 03-26-09 & budget workshops 03-12/03-19/03-26/& 04-02-09. Trustee Kovalchik seconded. All were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mayor Cohen read the Treasurer's report for the month of March: Balances: General \$44,853.15, Water \$9,725.29. T & A \$98,253.76, Resource Recovery \$5,134.54, Petty Cash \$19.47, Village Green \$4,210.17. **Bills to be paid:** General \$175,576.07, Water \$52,503.01, T & A \$3,680.70, Resource Recovery \$3,593.45.

POLICE

Mayor Cohen read the police report for the month of March: 79 registered complaints, 115 uniforms traffic tickets, 13 parking tickets, 5 accidents investigated, 12 arrests made. Mileage not available.

ITF

Trustee Kovalchik read the monthly report as follows:

1. The scoping session for the Centers and Greenspaces Plan – Draft GE15 began on March 10, 2009. Copies of the draft scoping documents are available for public review at the Red Hook Town Hall, Red Hook and Tivoli Libraries and on-line at www.redhook.org. Written comments are currently being received and reviewed by the ITF.
2. The Scenic Corridor Overlay (SC-O) District proposed zoning language is currently being considered by the ITF. Viewsheds, scenic roads and cultural amenities are being reviewed for consideration.
3. A meeting was held on March 13, 2009 to discuss the status of NYS EFC Hardship Application, CWSRF Application, USDA-RD Pre-Eligibility Determination Package, and ARRA funding requirements for the proposed Intermunicipal Central Sewer and Waste Water Treatment System. Attending were: Fred Testa (NYS EFC), Robert Flores (C.T. Male), Bridget Barclay (DCW&WA), Tom Mansfield (Dutchess County Legislator), Robert McKeon (Red Hook Town Councilman), Harry Colgan (Red Hook Town Councilman) and Brent Kovalchik (Red Hook Village Trustee).

4. A meeting was held on March 20, 2009, to discuss pre-agreement requirements and possibilities of land acquisition for the proposed Intermunicipal Treatment Plant. Project time lines and required regulatory agency reviews were also discussed. Attending were: Ken Kearney (Kearney Realty Corp.), Bridget Barclay (DCW&WA), Sue Crane (Red Hook Town Supervisor), David Cohen (Red Hook Village Mayor) and Brent Kovacchik (Red Hook Village Trustee).
5. A meeting was held on March 27, 2009 to discuss the status of the EFC-Hardship Application, SEQRA, SERP, SHPO, OPRHP and SPDES permits being prepared by DCW&WA. Review of USDA-RD Pre-Eligibility Determination Package System Ownership Scenarios public outreach efforts, amended EFC Intended Use Plan and ARRA updates were also discussed. A tentative date to hold a Public Information Meeting was established. Notices will be mailed to the proposed sewer district businesses and residents. The informational meeting is being proposed to be held at the Red Hook Firehouse at 7:30pm on Thursday, April 23, 2009. Attending were: Fred Testa (NYS EFC), Bridget Barclay (DCW&WA), Tom Mansfield (Dutchess County Legislator), Sue Crane (Red Hook Town Supervisor), David Cohen (Red Hook Village Mayor), and Brent Kovalchik (Red Hook Village Trustee). Harry Colgan (Red Hook Town Councilman) and Robert McKeon (Red Hook Town Councilman) also attended at staggered times.

Village Green

Trustee Kovalchik read the monthly report as follows:

1. A Request for Proposals (RFP) was advertised to solicit estimates for condition assessment, pruning, and maintenance of trees located on Village right-of-ways and properties resulting from a survey conducted by members of the VGC. Nineteen trees were listed. The work, resulting from the approved proposal, is a component of the scope of work necessary to fulfill the \$27,220.00 2007-2008 NYS EFC Urban and Community Forestry Grant requirements.
2. A Village Green Committee Meeting was held on March 26, 2009. Items discussed are as follows:
 - Status of the 2005 NYSDEC Urban and Community Forestry Grant reimbursements were discussed. An extension to April, 2009 has been requested from the VGC to complete the required forms necessary to receive the final \$2,336.33 reimbursement payment. This is a \$15,000.00 grant of which 50% is reimbursed by the NYSDEC.
 - Brenda Cagle reported on the activities held at the 2008 Tree City USA Awards Luncheon in Albany, New York.
 - The NYS NYSDEC School Seedlings program was discussed and information was forwarded to the Red Hook High School SADD Committee for their review

- Location and ceremony for the Jan Schiff Memorial Tree was discussed. The tree will be planted on Saturday, April 25, 2009 at Abraham's Park.
- Proposals to provide plantings in areas of the Village Parking Lot were reviewed. Volunteers will be assisting Decker Construction to install plantings and ground cover. The total cost will be \$1500.00 (from Village Green budget line #8510.4).
- Saturday, April 25, 2009, is the Annual Arbor Day Planting. Ceremonies will begin at 9:00 am. Volunteers are asked to assemble at Abraham's Park for assignments. Three trees will be planted and the Village Parking Lot landscaping will be installed.

Highway

Trustee Kovalchik read the monthly report as follows:

1. The Village of Red Hook has qualified to receive funding, totaling \$230,000.00 from the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 for the Safe Routes to School Program. The Safe Routes Program will enable the Village to install three ADA compliant mid-block crosswalks on Broadway, new sidewalks on West Market Street, school crossing warning lights, bike racks, and various upgrades to existing sidewalks and intersection ramps throughout the Village. The Red Hook Project is one of seventeen (17) projects in Dutchess County to share \$21.9 million dollars. The following meetings were attended:
 - Mayor Cohen and representatives from Village Engineer M.A. Day's office attended a project update and review meeting at PDCTC on Wednesday March 25, 2009.
 - Mayor Cohen and Trustee Kovalchik, along with Carolyn Ryan, P.E. (NYSDOT Local Projects Group) and NYSDOT right-of-way specialist, walked through the areas in the Village where the project will be installed on March 26, 2009. The project was revised, in accordance with NYSDOT recommendations, to ensure the Village's application and engineering submissions will meet the specified ARRA time-lines.
 - Mayor Cohen and Trustee Brent Kovalchik met with Mark Day (M.A. Day Engineering) on March 27, 2009 to review requirements for project submission and scope of work necessary to comply with NYSDOT/ARRA time-lines.
 - Trustee Brent Kovalchik met with the Red Hook Central School District School Board on March 26, 2009 to request funding a portion of the engineering fees (not reimbursable by the ARRA). The School Board agreed to provide up to \$10,135.00 for this project. The original Safe Routes to School Program Grant Application was sponsored by the Village of Red Hook. Red Hook Central School District was the applicant. A draft "Economic Recovery Municipal Resolution" has been issued to ARRA Round 1 project sponsors for review. Forthcoming is an amended "Resolution" by the NYSDOT for Village Board of Trustee approval (refer to Email and Draft Resolution of March 25, 2009).

2. Doug Traudt, Katie Stewart and volunteers assisted the Village Highway Department in removing brush and cleaning-up Memorial Park. The Village Board offers its thanks for these volunteered efforts (refer to attached RHV letter of 4/2/09).
3. The Town of Red Hook Highway Department is providing assistance to sweep our Village streets. Work started on March 28, 2009 and will continue on weekends and evenings. This work will be completed on April 3, 2009.
4. The Highway Department is currently picking-up brush along Village streets. Please provide separate piles of leaves and brush. Brush pick-up will be complete on Friday, April 17, 2009. Residents are encouraged to use the Village Landfill after this date.
5. The Village landfill will open on Saturday, April 11, 2009, between the hours of 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. Permits are available at the Village Building for the annual rate of \$20.00.
6. A letter from the NYSDOT was received on February 12, 2009 establishing guidelines for the implementation of Capital Spending Controls for our Multi-Modal project to install conforming traffic light-signal at Firehouse Lane/Amherst Drive/South Broadway intersection. Further review requirements are being imposed on the Village due to the current New York State fiscal crisis. The multi-model grant of \$120,000.00 received by the Village will be subject to further review (refer to attached NYSDOT letter of 2/12/09).
7. Estimates have been received to repair fences, damaged during winter snow removal operations. The estimates are as follows:

Cherry Street Residence	\$ 34.00
Old Post Road/North Broadway	\$130.00
TOTAL	\$164.00

(see attached proposal)

Safe Routes to School: The Engineer cost (Mark Day) is waiting on the title search – this project is scheduled to move ahead – The Red Hook School has committed to pay for the cost of the engineer (\$ 10,000.00).

The Village and Town of Red Hook have received \$ 130,000.00 each in a joint application to the Dutchess County Community Block Grant. These funds will be used to continue the sidewalks on Linden Avenue to the Rec. Park.

WATER

Trustee Seymour read the water report for the month of March 09: 2 bacteria samples were taken and sent to lab, POC samples were taken and sent to lab for Well # 4, ground water under direct influence samples were taken from wells, 12, 13, 14, attended various meetings and bid openings for the new generator project for the water department, located service lines as requested at 7522 North Broadway, 92 Cambridge Drive, 42 Cambridge Drive and empty lot on Fisk Street, met with representative from New York Rural Water on leak detection-major water leak was detected at 30 East Market Street, average daily usage for the month 220,581.

RESOURCE RECOVERY

Trustee Blundell read the resource recovery report: commingle 4.18 T, cardboard 6.52 T, garbage 23.01 T @ \$ 2041.30.

CELEBRATIONS

Trustee Blundell reported that the Spring Egg Roll was very successful. Apple Blossom Day is May 9th and is sponsored by the Rotary. Trustee Blundell met with members of the Chamber to discuss "Think Local First" which is the theme to have merchants stay open after 5:00 pm. This theme is hoping to bring people into the Village Center to shop during the summer months.

PLANNING AND ZONING

Trustee Trapp reported: 6 building permits, 3 certificates of occupancy, 3 certificates of compliance, 5 municipal searches. \$ 1,142.62 was reported in receipts. Trustee Trapp stated that the Village is considering charging the applicant for the SEQRA process. Specific language is being looked into for a local law. New shed regulations will be discussed in May.

Church Street Nursery submitted a request to have Church Street blocked off during the hours of Apple Blossom. Trustee Blundell made a motion to approve closing Church Street for Apple Blossom between the house of 10 – 5. Trustee Kovalchik seconded. All were in favor.

St. Paul's Church – Beth Dochs from Chris Barrett Realty and Lottie Humphrey were representing St. Paul's Church requesting that the Village donate .2 acres to a prospective buyer for the Church property. Mayor Cohen will meet with the Church, Trustee Blundell and Village Attorney to discuss this agreement.

Dan Wheeler – Trustee Trapp made a motion to accept a letter of resignation from Planning Chairman Dan Wheeler. Trustee Kovalchik seconded. All were in favor.

Tree Pruning – bids were submitted by April 15th results are as follows: Integral \$ 5665.00, Greenspace \$ 5400.00. Low bid went to Greenspace. Trustee Kovalchik will contact Brenda Cagle to schedule work.

Generator bids – will be reviewed and discussed in May.

APPOINTMENT LIST 2009-2010

Mayor Cohen read the 2009-2010 appointment list as follows:

VILLAGE MAYOR
DEPUTY MAYOR
CLERK/TREASURER
DEPUTY CLERK
SECRETARY
VILLAGE ATTORNEY
SPECIAL PROSECUTOR

DAVID COHEN
ED BLUNDELL
CYNTHIA COLE
LARA HART
MARY KELLY
KELLY FLOOD-MYERS

FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER-OIC
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PATRICK HILDENBRAND
JARED GRIFFIN
KEVIN VANWAGNER
STEPHEN COLE
REGINALD MOORE, JR.
MICHAEL BROWN
JAMES RAPOLI
ROBERT LATIMER
HAROLD FOLMSBEE
MICHAEL PLASS
JOHN PALMUCCI
REXFORD MAINE *

(* Need to be Qualified)

In accordance with rules and regs

HIGHWAY FOREMAN
HIGHWAY FULL TIME
HIGHWAY PART-TIME
HIGHWAY PART-TIME

DAN STREIB
JAKE SMITH
CHARLIE COON
MIKE SCISM

REGISTRAR OF VITAL
STATISTICS
DEPUTY REGISTRAR
OFFICIAL PAPER
OFFICIAL PAPER

CYNTHIA COLE
LARA HART
KINGSTON DAILY FREEMAN
POUGHKEEPSIE JOURNAL

WATER DEPARTMENT

ARVINE COON

ELECTION INSPECTOR
 ELECTION INSPECTOR
 ELECTION CUSTODIAN
 ELECTION CUSTODIAN

MARY KELLY
 ARLEEN HARKINS
 RONNIE RHYNDERS
 ROGER MCCAULEY

HISTORIAN

RICHARD COON

VILLAGE JUSTICE
 PART TIME VILLAGE JUSTICE
 COURT CLERK

HON. JONAH TRIEBWASSER
 HON. ARVINE V. COON, JR.
 KATHY FELL

CEO-ZEO
 DEPUTY CEO-ZEO
 PLANNING/ZONING SECRETARY

SAM HARKINS
 STEPHEN COLE
 SUE NANDOR

PARK CUSTODIAN

HAROLD FELL

VILLAGE ENGINEER
 VILLAGE ENGINEER

MARK DAY (M.A. DAY)
 MORRIS ASSOCIATES

ZONING
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ROGER HUSTED
 GEORGE BEEKMAN
 PAUL DUNTZ
 CLIFF GUBLER
 VICTOR BEHORIAM (Chairman)

PLANNING
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PAUL FREDRICKS
 EVELYN KRUEGER
 EVERETT PEARSALL
 GERALD JAMEISON (Chairman)
 RODNEY MORRISON

VILLAGE GREEN
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BRENDA CAGLE
 EVELYN KRUEGER
 JEN MELITSKI
 DAVID SEYMOUR

MAYOR DAVID COHEN
 TRUSTEE JAY TRAPP

POLICE
 PLANNING, ZONING & CENTRAL

TRUSTEE BRENT KOVALCHIK	HIGHWAY; VILLAGE GREEN; ITF & GRANTS
TRUSTEE ED BLUNDELL	RESOURCE RECOVERY; CELEBRATIONS & INSURANCE
DAVID SEYMOUR	WATER, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS
JACK GILFEATHER	BUDGET COORDINATOR

Harold Fell asked the Board to send a thank you letter to the Hicks family for volunteering for the Spring clean up of Abraham's Park.

Trustee Blundell stated that the agreement for the stage is complete and has been approved. This agreement will be forwarded to Mr. Fell.

Rex Maine – Mr. Maine approached the board stating that back in 1970 when Harold Fell was the Mayor he fired at the time PO David Cohen and that at that time officers were required to attend school on a regular basis. Mr. Maine stated that on March 29, 2009 on a routine traffic stop a Red Hook Police Officer refused to return property of his. The following Monday Mr. Maine contacted OIC Patrick Hildenbrand, who also refused to return his property. Mayor Cohen stated that there is an ongoing investigation. Personnel issues are not discussed at a public meeting. OIC Pat Hildenbrand stated that the Red Hook Police Department is run by current NYS standards (not standards from 1970) and current rules and regulations.

Lottie Humphrey complained that the sidewalks are full of sand and drains are clogged. Mayor Cohen stated that spring clean up has begun and these issues will be addressed.

Safe Routes to School – Mark Day – Engineer – Red Hook School will pay for the engineer's fees of \$ 10,135.00.

The 2009 Hazard Household Disposal will be posted in the Village Hall.

NYS Department of Public Services – Central Hudson will increase rates – comments against this rate increase can be submitted in writing. Mayor Cohen will submit a letter.

William Steinhaus has announced Sr. Citizens Home repairs (loans, roofs, furnace etc.) residence may apply to the Dutchess County Department of Planning.

Trustee Blundell thanked Mayor Cohen for the position of Deputy Mayor and also that of the voters.

Trustee Blundell has asked the Board to consider allowing sandwich boards to the zoning regulations. Trustee Trapp stated that some may block pedestrian traffic. Trustee Blundell will draw up a draft law.

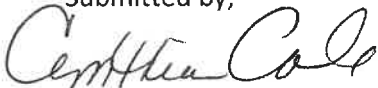
Mayor Cohen stated that on April 15th the Board approved the 2009-2010 budgets with a 5 % increase. Village assessment is down 5 million, sales tax and mortgage tax are also down.

Scheduled meetings

April 9th budget workshop 6:00 pm
April 13th & 15th budget workshop 6 pm
April 15th special meeting 6 pm

Trustee Trapp made a motion to pay bills after audit. Trustee Kovalchik seconded. All were in favor.
Trustee Blundell made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Kovalchik seconded. All were in favor.

Submitted by,



Cynthia Cole
Clerk/Treasurer

VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
PUBLIC HEARING
ATV LAW
4-6-09

Present: Mayor Cohen, Trustee Blundell, Trustee Trapp, Trustee Seymour, Trustee Kovalchik

Mayor Cohen opened the public hearing at 7:15 stating that the ATV law will not be decided until Trustee Seymour is informed of all correspondence in this matter.

Brian Valley – 16 Garden Street has written several letters opposing the ATV law. Mr. Valley feels that there should be better enforcement and not to ban these vehicles from families who use them for recreational reasons.

Dave Dowden – 19 Garden Street - lives across from the where the problem is and stated that it is dusty, and noisy. The police were called several times when the kids were riding in the road. Mr. Dowden agrees there are some practical uses for these ATV's and there should not be a ban, just better enforcement.

Trisha Grassi of 21 Garden Street – Talked to the kids and parents of the users of the ATV's several times to no avail. The life style of the residents of Garden Street is being affected and they want responsible use of these vehicles.

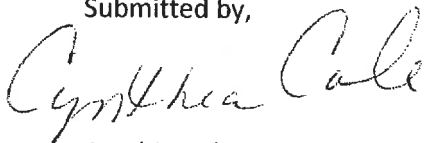
Dennis Pavelock of Beacon submitted a letter in regards to the All-Terrain Vehicle Related to Tourist and Recreation in New York State Act. A copy of this letter is attached. Mr. Pavelock asked the board to use discretion and do not ban the use of these vehicles.

Barbara Murray – 10 Garden Street – is not in favor of a ban of ATV's – her family owns and uses these vehicles and feels it is within her right to do so.

Chris Lyons - 21 St. John's Street – submitted and read a letter that is not in support of the ATV law.

Mayor Cohen stated this will be up for further discussion on May 4th.

Submitted by,



Cynthia Cole
Clerk/Treasurer