

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
PUBLIC HEARING
JULY 6, 2009**

Present: Mayor David Cohen, Trustee Brent Kovalchik, Trustee Seymour and Trustee Trapp
Trustee Blundell was absent

Issues To Be Discussed:

1. "No Parking" at St. John's Street – from Route 9 (North Broadway) to Baright parking lot (south side). total of 326'.
2. "Drop-off-No Parking" – Church Street (Methodist Church) – 2 parking spaces – may be marked days and times

Mayor Cohen indicated that the first issue would be the Methodist Church:

Trustee Seymour had no questions and indicated that it makes sense due to an obvious parking problem.

Trustee Trapp had no issues. Reviewed the map that was submitted by Mark Chenkus of the Methodist Church.

Trustee Kovalchik indicated that this would be appropriate for the daycare and church event. Would be safer for the people. Indicated that a time zone/restraint would be appropriate.

Mrs. Henken spoke at this time to ask that the Board define "no parking". She would prefer that the sign indicate "drop-off-zone" from 8:00am-12:30pm Monday through Friday. Mayor Cohen indicated that legally we could put a time restraint on the sign. She would like parking available for the daycare and food pantry drop off times.

Resident of 3 Church Street (Barbara Paterson and Jean Liebhart) spoke at this time to indicate that parents are parking in front of their residence to load and unload children for daycare. Indicated that they would also like to see a drop-off zone sign rather than no parking.

Mayor Cohen indicated out loud the request received by letter from Mark Chenkus be rephrased to indicate drop-off and not a no-parking sign.

Trustee Seymour wanted it indicated the exact hours they are looking for - Mrs. Henken indicated 8:00am-12:30pm Monday through Friday. Mrs. Henken said she sees no problem during Church hours, but only during daycare hours – she indicated that she is waiting for Mr. Chenkus to arrive to speak on behalf of the Methodist Church.

Trustee Kovalchik spoke that it should be a sign for all year round. Should not limit parking due to people always walking to shops and office in the area.

No further comments

Mayor Cohen spoke that we would leave the hearing open until Mr. Chenkus arrives.
Trustee Trapp stated that the Methodist Church is indicating their wish for a "limited time" parking.

Mayor spoke that the next order of issue if the recommendation from the Village of Red Hook Police Department that there be limited parking along the south side of St. John's Street from Route 9 to the Baright parking lot.

Trustee Trapp indicated that you basically be the full side of the garage / length of the gas station.
Mayor Cohen stated correct.

Trustee Kovalchik made a comment that there is already an existing no-parking zone.

Mayor Cohen stated correct.

Mayor Cohen indicated the problem was when vehicles are trying to enter St. John's Street and exit St. John's Street it is too tight. We would not need to go the full length, but back away from the curb so that cars can get by each other to enter onto Route 9. There is a problem because legally the person exiting the gas station cannot see the "no left turn" sign.

Trustee Kovalchik indicated he would have the same concerns with regard to St. Johns Street with maximizing the amount of off sight parking for businesses – and should we also indicate a limited time parking – say 2 hour parking? or a distance from the stop sign would help - how many spaces if we did that?

Mayor Cohen indicated that one of the problems is that a majority of the parking spots are occupied by the garage.

Mayor Cohen indicated that he does not want to lose a lot of the parking spaces, but possibly to take away one of them.

Trustee Trapp asked if we would check distance from Route 9 with Patrick Hildenbrand?

Mayor Cohen indicated that the rest should be 2-hour parking - he does not feel it is fair that the same people park in the same spot every day.

Trustee Kovalchik indicated that other people park in that area to go to the post office, and other Businesses.

Mayor Cohen stated that we would continue this hearing until the workshop to hold on July 23, 2009.

Trustee Seymour made a suggestion that Trustees should walk the area.

Trustee Trapp spoke about two trucks and larger trucks entering St. Johns Street.

Trustee Trapp indicated that the planning board has their meeting on July 23rd. Mayor Cohen stated that workshop could be held upstairs in conference room.

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Todd Bright was present and suggested that we start at his parking lot and have 3 - 20ft. spaces parallel - for a 2 hour parking limit.

Mayor Cohen stated that this would be a good idea - good to rotate the cars in the area. The site would be visited - invited Todd Baright to join them.

Trustee Seymour asked what the DOT requirements were to place the sign.

Mayor Cohen indicated that the right-of-way is wide there, and they put the sign where it needed to be - It was right where they did not want it.

Trustee Kovalchik spoke about DOT approved sign and the time frame to go through obtaining a work permit for a right-of-way; and that with a local street It is quicker to pass a resolution. Mayor Cohen indicated that we would be out of the right-of-way with this one.

Mayor Cohen indicated that they would walk the area on July 23rd at 6:30 pm prior to the workshop. Todd Baright indicated he would be unavailable. Mayor Cohen agreed that he would meet with Todd before hand.

Mayor Cohen stated hearing regarding St. Johns Street would be continued on July 23rd.

Mark Chenkus from the Methodist Church arrived and indicated he would like to have a sign stating "drop-off-zone" from 8:00am-12:30pm Monday through Friday.

Trustee Trapp spoke to indicate that technically it would be load & unload. No parking means No-parking. Trustee Trapp indicated to Mr. Chenkus that the Board wanted to make sure that we could provide what the Church is asking for.

Trustee Kovalchik confirmed it would be a "drop-off zone" with a time frame of 8:00am-12:30pm.

Mayor Cohen indicated no further comment. Public Hearing closed at 7:25 pm.

Mayor Cohen asked for a motion on the Church Street sign. Trustee Trapp made a motion to approve Trustee Kovalchik seconded. All were in favor.

Submitted by



Lara Hart
Secretary

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
BOARD MEETING
JULY 6, 2009
7:30 PM**

Present: Mayor David Cohen, Trustee Brent Kovalchik, Trustee David Seymour and Trustee Trapp.
Trustee Ed Blundell was absent.

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

Mayor Cohen made a motion to accept the minutes from June 1, 2009; June 11, 2009 & June 18, 2009.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mayor Cohen read the treasurer's report: Balances: General \$435,663.24, Water \$30,911.40; T & A \$8,698.73; Resource Recovery \$3,219.88; Petty Cash \$19.47 and Village Green \$4,210.17.

Mayor Cohen made a motion to accept the report. Trustee Seymour seconded. All were in favor.

POLICE

Mayor Cohen read the police report: 97 registered complaints, 132 uniform traffic tickets, 2 parking tickets, 9 accidents investigated, and 13 arrests made.

WATER

Trustee Seymour read the water report for the month of June, 2009: 2 bacteria samples were taken and sent to lab; monthly ground water under direct influence samples were taken from wells 12, 13 & 14; water meter was replaced on Willowbrook Lane; water shut-off was replaced on Benner Road (Butler); Average daily usage for June: 233,867.

Trustee Seymour thanked the Board for their approval of \$1,500.00 for testing emergency generator. This could save village residents \$60,000.00.

Trustee Seymour thanked the Board on behalf of the "Friends of Elemendorph" with regard to the broken water line. This line was most likely broken due to the weight of a tractor trailer during a delivery to Stewarts. A large stone was placed at that location to avoid any future damage to that location at the driveway entrance.

Mayor Cohen informed that Lee Cookingham from Fastracs donated the stone and would like a thank you letter sent.

Trustee Seymour indicated that he feels the cost to residents for water service for installing of pools should be increased. The current cost is \$400.00. The cost to contract from the outside to bring in

water would run approximately \$285.00 per 6,000 gal. of water. A typical 18x24 swimming pool would run about \$1,140.00. He will have an adjusted amount at the workshop meeting to be held on July 23, 2009.

PLANNING AND ZONING

7 building permits issued; 1 certificate of occupancy; 10 certificates of compliance issued; 2 municipal searches; 0 stop work orders; 3 orders to remedy; 1 court appearance; 1 fire inspection; 9 general inspections. Zoning department checks totaled \$686.50.

With conjunction with the Town of Red Hook the Village applied for a block grant for sidewalk continuation from middle school to rec. park and received notification that the Town and the Village received \$260,000.00.

Trustee Trapp gave a reminder to remember about the "Hugs From Home" program.

Trustee Trapp spoke about the farmers market and its success, indicating the possibility of extending this market in the 2010 season. Will discuss with the Board on how and where it would best work for next season. Trustee Trapp will be talking with folks from Rhinebeck farm market for their ideas. He will pass along to the Board after discussions.

Trustee Trapp has been working with Sam Harkins, Village of Red Hook CEO, regarding NYS building code and local zoning code compliance checks. Indicated that Sam Harkins has been working very hard.

Trustee Trapp has wrapped up lighting plans with Central Hudson regarding street lighting. He has a map, but it is difficult to read due to blue ink- will copy for the Board.

Trustee Trapp feels that the Village has many volunteers and would like to have a "Volunteer Appreciation Day". This will be addressed at the workshop meeting on July 23, 2009.

HIGHWAY

Brent Kovalchik read the Highway monthly report as follows:

- 1. Proposals from Fred A. Cook, Jr., were received on June 25, 2009 to provide inspection of storm pipes and report, as well as a proposal to clean catch basins and pipes in the Village. Estimates included are as follows:

Inspection of storm pipes and report	
First hour on site	\$ 600.00
Each	
additional hour	\$ 175.00

Or
Full Day Rate \$1,600.00

Clean catch basins and pipes

Full day rate \$1,500.00

Estimates are provided for Trustees review and consideration. Thanks to Trustee David Seymour for investigating resources for this project.

2. Additional estimates were received to provide "U" Channel Posts and stop signs to restock the Highway Department's inventory. Estimates are as follows:

Dutchess Signs

30" Stop Signs
(12 signs @ \$62.00/sign) \$ 744.00
10ft. "U" Channel Posts
(24 posts @ \$20.00/post) \$ 480.00

Newman Signs

36" Stop Signs
(12 signs @ \$49.20/sign) \$ 590.40

ESP Supply

10ft. "U" Channel Posts
(24 posts @ \$14.44/post) \$ 346.56

Signs and posts have been purchased from Newman Signs and ESP Supply.

3. A 283 piece tool set and wrench set has been purchased from the scrap metal fund for \$494.60. Concrete blocks, previously in the discard pile at the Highway Garage were sold for \$650.00. This money has been added to the scrap metal fund. Current balance of fund is as follows:

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As of April, 2009	\$1,319.32
Tool and wrench set	- 494.60
Concrete block sale (27 blocks @ \$25.00/block)	+ 650.00
Current Balance	\$1,474.72

4. Portions of Cherry Street and Phillips Street will be blacktopped at a cost of \$2,700.00. Funds from CHIPS (budget line #5110.3) will be used.
5. A joint project between Resource Recovery and Highway Department is being proposed. In an effort to pick-up more recycling (especially in the GBD), a trailer is currently being considered to provide a cost-effective, safe and more efficient solution. A trailer, at a fraction of cost of a recycling truck, can also be used for leaf and brush pick-up. Availability of new and used trailers are being researched and a two-week trial period is currently underway to test the logistics and efficiency before any proposal to purchase is suggested.
6. The Highway Department is currently in process of seeking information regarding an inventory of past repairs, anticipated repairs and general conditions of Village streets. This information will inform the Department of anticipates costs, scheduling of repairs and assist in acquiring grant money.
7. The Highway Department is currently keeping a record of all repairs to every vehicle to better determine the annual repair costs and possible needs for replacement based on the Village of Red Hook Highway Department Transportation Equipment Life and Useable Vehicle Replacement Plan.

VILLAGE GREEN

Brent Kovalchik read the Village Green monthly report as follows:

1. There was no Village Green Committee meeting held during the month of June, 2009.
2. The NYSDOT will replace three dead trees in the fall as part of their obligation as stipulated in the 2008 NYSDOT Landscape Project. Two trees are located on the Wicks, Salisbury Law Offices property and the other is located on the Catholic Church rectory property.
3. Five cherry trees, planted in the Fall-2008, did not survive. Credit from the supplying nursery is currently being sought.

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4. Final paperwork is currently being submitted to the NYSDEC as part of the Village Green Committee's obligation to obtain reimbursement from the 2005 NYS DEC Grant.
5. Money from the 2008 NYS DEC Grant award has not been released from Albany. Inventory of the Village's existing tree/stock is scheduled to proceed, but delays in acquiring grant money may limit the scope of the proposed work.
6. Brenda Cagle will be attending the 2009 Seventeenth Annual New York State ReLeaf Conference at Prah Institute in Brooklyn, New York on July 16-18, 2009.
7. The property owner at 33 Prince Street has asked the Village Green Committee to consider planting a tree on his property during a future tree planting day.

ITF

Trustee Kovalchik read the ITF monthly report as follows:

1. Proposed Red Hook Sewer Project:

Fred Testa (NYSEFC) recommended, in a correspondence of June 8, 2009, the Village/Town of Red Hook and DCW&WA continue to work to complete necessary documentation, including Map, Plan and Report, District Formation and engineering, to qualify for contingency ARRA funding. Complete documentation, except awarded construction bids, are due January 1, 2010. The correspondence also mentions that "most, if not all expenses", incurred are reimbursable upon approval of an application and documentation.

A meeting was held on June 12, 2009 to review the USDA-RD Pre-Eligibility Determination Package (PED) submitted by DCW&WA. Discussions also included time-lines for the Sewer Project to be placed on the Dutchess County's Legislature's Agenda. George Popp (USDA-RD) has finished calculating the "blended" HMI for both the Town and Village of Red Hook and has recommended to the NYS USDA-RD office that the project should qualify for the maximum grant amount. Fred Testa (NYS EFC), Robert Flores (C.T. Male), Bridget Barclay (DCW&WA), Tom Mansfield (DC Legislator), Harry Colgan (RHT Councilman), Bill O'Neil (ITF Chairman), Robert McKeon (RHT Councilman), David Cohen (RHV Mayor), Brent Kovalchik (RHV Trustee) and George Popp (USDA-RD) attended.

A meeting was held on June 19, 2009 to discuss the status of the USDA-RD PED. Discussions also included what type of referendum is being requested from the DC Legislature (permissive

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vs. mandatory public), time-line and information/documentation required to appear on the DC Legislature's Agenda. Fred Testa (NYS EFC), Robert Flores (C.T. Male), Bridget Barclay (DCW&WA), Tom Mansfield (DC Legislator), Sue Crane (RHT Supervisor), Bill O'Neil (ITF Chairman), Robert McKeon (RHT Councilman), David Cohen (RHV Mayor) and Brent Kovalchik (RHV Trustee) attended.

DC Executive William Steinhaus issued a press release on June 22, 2009 announcing that the Village of Red Hook received a \$65,000.00 CDBG for the development of a new sewer district for the Town and Village of Red Hook.

DC Legislator Tom Mansfield issued a press release on June 26, 2009 announcing his participation in securing \$65,000.00 for the Red Hook Sewer Project.

A meeting was held on June 25, 2009 to discuss and review the Proposed Sewer Project with stakeholders in the Village, Paul Fredricks, Al Cornacchini, Todd Baright, Bruce Troy, Sue Crane (RHT Supervisor), Bill O'Neil (ITF Chairman), Harry Colgan (RHT Councilman), Tom Mansfield (DC Legislator), Bridget Barclay (DCW&WA), Fred Testa (NYS EFC), Robert Flores (C.T. Male), David Cohen (RHV Mayor) and Brent Kovalchik (RHV Trustee) attended.

2. A joint application by the Village of Red Hook and the Town of Red Hook Economic Development Committee was submitted on June 26, 2009 for the Environmental Protection Fund Application for State Assistance Payments – New York State Smart Growth Grant Program – Lower Hudson Valley. The grant application for \$46,000 will be used, if awarded, for the Village's General Business District Zoning Amendments (anticipating the proposed sewer project) and Pattern Book and Architectural Guides for the proposed Traditional Neighborhood District (TND) and General Business District Infill Development Plan.
3. A request for Proposal for Professional Engineering Services for the Red Hook Wastewater System Preliminary Design Services was issued by Dutchess County Water and Wastewater Authority, on behalf of the Village of Red Hook, on June 23, 2009. A presentation of Recommendations to the Village Board of Trustees will be made on July 9, 2009.
4. On June 26, 2009, the ITF hosted externs from Pace University Land-Use Law Center. They were observing and collecting information on how the ITF works, on an intermunicipal level, to assist other municipalities through their Community Leadership Alliance Training Program.
5. As a result of the June 25, 2009 Sewer Project Stakeholders meeting, the ITF is discussing the possibilities of amending portions of the proposed Incentive Zoning Regulations to

include contributions to off-set capital costs of the proposed Sewer Project.

6. Current and future ITF projects are being discussed, including budget considerations necessary to implement the ongoing work of the ITF that are being discussed.

RESOURCE RECOVERY

Mayor Cohen read the Resource Recovery report for the month of June, 2009: commingle 2.86 T @ \$131.27; cardboard 5.72 T @ \$204.20; garbage 20.18 T @ \$1,708.44.

Mayor Cohen spoke on the ATV Ordinance and indicated that Village is not ready to adopt at this point.

Trustee Kovalchik indicated that the term daylight hours needs to be clarified through the Village attorney.

Trustee Trapp agreed.

Trustee Seymour asked if the Village attorney had any comment, Mayor Cohen indicated many, which included clarifying daylight hours and that we could not make "everyone happy" and that would need to be understood.

Mayor Cohen stated that this issue will be held until the August meeting.

Mayor Cohen advised that he had a meeting with the ladies whom are working on the Census and would ask that at each board meeting a reminder is given to fill out and return because this is one we that we do receive grants.

Mayor Cohen spoke on the sandwich board issues indicating that we are not ready to move on this issue. There is too much to discuss and will be continued at the workshop to be held on July 23rd. There are many issues to be hashed out.

Mayor Cohen returned back to the Church Street "drop-off zone" issue, wherein Trustee Kovalchik verified that it was a "drop-off zone" that was being requested. Mayor Cohen said wording must conform with rules and regulations and kept simple. Drop Off between 8:00am-12:30pm Monday through Friday. Trustee Kovalchik asked if we could paint the zone on the curb? Mayor Cohen indicated yes, but that it will be contingent upon the decision of the Village attorney. Mayor Cohen made a motion to accept Church Street drop off zone signage; Trustee Kovalchik seconded. All were in favor.

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Mayor Cohen indicated to the Board that the request for proposals are available for their review and hopes that all will review prior to the July 23rd meeting. There were 3 returns. He apologized that some people felt it was a short time frame to get them and get them out but the Village needed this to move ahead.

Mayor Cohen indicated that later this week he will be meeting with representatives from Key Bank with regard to a finance package with regard to the purchase of the Village parking lot.

Mayor Cohen asked that before exiting for Executive Session if there was any public comment? No reply.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

8:05pm – 8:16pm.

OTHER BUSINESS

Trustee Seymour spoke indicting that he met with Mr. Tucker of 16 Margaret Street regarding run-off at his driveway and eroding problem. He will be speaking with Dan and hopefully discussing a patch job and solution to the problem to divert water that comes down Tower Street.

Trustee Kovalchik spoke regarding his meeting with Mark Day and that they walked the site of the existing highway garage on Firehouse Lane and that the Firehouse is in need of additional parking and to acquire additional land, and the Village looking to purchase additional land for possibly a new highway garage in the future. This is just investigative work to see if this would be an appropriate site. Looking at Board of Health Regs. with regard to aquifer set back and contamination of well fields. We want to be cost conscience of what we could do at that location.

Mayor Cohen stated that this would be one of the better of all the options that we should meet with Town officials to get their thoughts.

Mayor Cohen asked for any Public Comment. At this time George Beekman spoke inquiring about Mr. Vuchich's water problem. Mayor Cohen indicated that Mr. Vuchich has a water problem and that he has been going through old records to review – it was found that there were some catch basins put on that property and he made a deal with one of the previous mayors (trying to find which one) wherein he agreed that he would maintain the catch basin. Mark Day has been at the location to look at it and hopefully when we get into the crosswalks there will be a way to take care (a little bit) of that problem. The problem is - is that the State catch basin right there at the corner is higher than the road. Reminded that when it involves the State - time and phone calls are an issue.

Mr. Beekman asked about the lot next to him and issue of being overgrown and pot holes. Trustee Trapp spoke to ask which lot? Mr. Beekman indicated the area of the IGA. Trustee Trapp advised that Sam Harkins is dealing with that issue. There are several commercial and residential lots that are

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getting notification that NYS is addressing the height and that we are working on it. Trustee Trapp informed Mr. Beekman that we appreciate all of his concerns. Mr. Byrne of 14 Prince Street was present and expressed his concern for Prince Street and the bottle-neck parking (adjacent to the Key Bank parking lot). He expressed his concerns that he feels there is going to be an accident. Indicated that Bard students are parking on both sides of the road. Trustee Trapp indicated that an issue we have with side street parking is "unregulated parking" - and there is nothing to prevent anyone from doing that. Mayor Cohen suggested that maybe we should re-visit that law (which is old) and see what we can do about it. Trustee Kovalchik asked if it was better when the students parked in the Key Bank parking lot? Mr. Byrne indicate yes. Trustee Kovalchik asked if it was as bad during the evening? Mr. Byrne indicated yes, but worse during the day. Mr. Byrne expressed his concerns if in the event an emergency vehicle had to pass through the area. Trustee Trapp spoke of a personal incident he had and expressed that sometimes a little conversation is helpful in this type of situation.

Mayor Cohen made a motion to pay bills after audit. Trustee Seymour seconded. All were in favor.

Mayor Cohen made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Trapp seconded. All were in favor.

Submitted by,



Lafa Hart
Secretary