

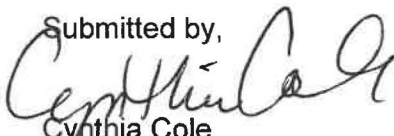
**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
WORKSHOP MEETING
OCTOBER 14, 2010**

Present: Mayor Cohen, DM Blundell, Trustee Kovalchik, Trustee Seymour arrived at 8:20.

1. **POLICE CONTRACT** – Chief Truitt & Sergeant Hildenbrand were present. A draft police contract was submitted. Part time officers: health insurance buyout clause has been removed from the contract resulting in a savings in salaries. Salary increase based on CPI index has also been removed and a percentage increase was added. Part time salaries are down. Patrick Hildenbrand passed the Sergeants exam with Civil Service. During field training (Phase II) for part timers which is 160 hours will be at a reduced rate of \$ 12.00. Trustee Kovalchik questioned Article 7 (indemnification) and asked for clarity if the officer is not up to their duties is the Village still responsible? Chief Truitt replied that he Village is responsible for the officer's financial loss. Clerk Cole asked if there was still an anniversary increase and Sergeant Hildenbrand stated that that is no longer in the contract. Longevity is still in the contract. This contract is not retroactive and becomes effective upon full execution. Salary increases are 4 % for part time employees and 6% for the Sergeant. Officers no long appear in court due to the special prosecutor, only appear in court if being brought in as a witness. Still a minimum of four hours in pay. Court officers are still at a minimum of 4 hours; this is paid through the court budget. Reimbursement of \$ 700.00 for dental remains. Meals and lodging increased (dinner is \$ 35.00) and the village does not pay for no alcohol part of a meal. Chief Truitt informed the board about new article # 21 which states that the Village will provide a gun to all new officers and if an officer is terminated it must be returned to the Village. Trustee Kovalchik does not agree with article # 11 (vacation/sick/bereavement). 58 composite days a year is too much. 30 days of vacation time can be accumulated. 4 weeks of vacation after only 5 years of service. There is also a \$ 2000.00 health insurance buy out. Discussion on the police contract is over at 8:10. This discussion will continue on October 21st.
2. Controller Michele Zagorski presented the board with budget adjustment totaling \$ 15,537.00. These adjustments will be reviewed and discussed at the 21st workshop. Trustee Seymour stated that service building contracts are up and some were unanticipated. Clerk Cole was asked to email Mark Durand of Panda to attend the next workshop. Trustee Seymour stated that the water tank on Tower Street will be inspected on Tuesday from a company from Massachusetts. Trustee Blundell stated that \$ 8000.00 is too much to heat the garage. This garage is kept warm to keep the hydraulics warm. Trustee Seymour will visit the state highway department to see how they keep their trucks warm. New weather stripping has been installed and the thermostat has been moved.

Mayor Cohen made a motion to adjourn at 8:45. Trustee Blundell seconded. All were in favor.

Submitted by,



Cynthia Cole
Clerk/Treasurer