

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
WORKSHOP MEETING
MARCH 15, 2012
7:15PM**

Present: Mayor Blundell, Deputy Mayor Kovalchik, Trustee Trapp, Trustee Norris, Trustee Seymour was absent.

Mayor Blundell opened the meeting at 7:15 and reminded the board to have their tentative budget requests in to the Clerk before March 20th.

Mayor Blundell scheduled the following meetings to be posted as legal notices in the paper:

- 1. The regular village board meeting will be moved to April 9, 2012 at 7:30.**
- 2. The next four Thursdays will be budget workshops at 7:15 (3-22nd and 29th, 4-5th & 12th)**
- 3. Public Hearing will be set for April 9th at 7:00 to discuss flood map local law.**

Discussion

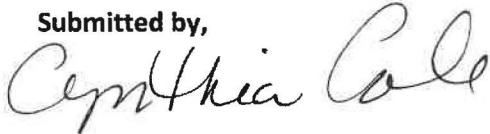
- 1. Fire Department Contract: Mayor Blundell stated the Village is currently contractually obligated to the fire department at a sum of \$ 95,000.00. The Village pays the fire department compensation and gets reimbursed a % from the Town. The Town also pays a portion of LOSAP. Mayor Blundell asked the Clerk to contact NYCOM to inquire about having a line item on the tax bill for the Fire Department. Trustee Kovalchik suggested the village board have a breakdown of fire department expenses. Mayor Blundell spoke to Jim Mulvey and will discuss with him and had invited him to our workshop. Currently the Town pays \$ 244,800.00 to the Fire Department.**
- 2. Northern Dutchess Communities That Care: Micki Strawinski spoke on behalf of the committee and submitted a Mission Statement and a survey taken in the Red Hook School District. Also present were Karen Jerro, Doug Blancero and Susan Rohrmeier. Chief Truitt did a presentation of the results of the survey to the school. 434 students were polled from sexual intercourse, anti-social behavior, violence, gambling, school truancy, eating disorders, depression and suicide. Some results were alarming. Currently this committee needs non for profit status 501C3. Programs would include safe rides, programs for students, tutors and a community center. Mayor Blundell stated that at this time the Village has several large projects such as water and two sidewalks open and he feels that we can't take on another task. This would result in work for the Village Clerk. Doug stated that grant money will pay for bookkeeper. Trustee Trapp would like to revisit this discussion sometime in the future. Trustee Norris likes the programs, but feels the Village is too busy to take on another project. Clerk Cole asked who would take on the liability insurance. Doug stated it would be the Village. This discussion will be revisited sometime in September.**
- 3. Mayor Blundell stated the he is working on a farmers' market for the Village Parking lot. The applicant is scheduled to meet with the planning board this month.**
- 4. Trustee Kovalchik reported on the status of the CPF MOU which was sent from page 26 of the CPF document to Rich Olson. Rich Olson will be asked to develop text and write a draft letter.**
- 5. Mayor Blundell and Trustee Kovalchik met with Supervisor Sue Crane in regards to the highway garage and the joint LEG grant. The grant will be filed sometime next week.**

Mayor Blundell made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss the police contract. Trustee Kovalchik seconded. All were in favor.

9:00 the board reconvenes from executive session.

Mayor Blundell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00. Trustee Kovalchik seconded. All were in favor.

Submitted by,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cynthia Cole".

**Cynthia Cole
Clerk/Treasurer**