

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
FEBRUARY 14, 2013
WORKSHOP 7:00 PM**

Present: Mayor Blundell, Deputy Mayor Kovalchik, Trustee Trapp, Trustee Norris, Trustee Zacharzuk

WATER -Mayor Blundell discussed the resignation of A W Coon giving the Village a 10 day notice. Bucky Coon talked with the Mayor and the decision was made and mutually agreed that Bucky would rescind his resignation. Currently the Village is working on large water upgrades where Bucky's expertise is required. Then, a second resignation was submitted effective February 14, 2013 as water operator. A second resignation was submitted for along with the additional position as Acting Justice, also effective February 14, 2013.

After the first resignation, the Mayor and trustees had worked out an interim solution but held on that until the second resignation. A contract was submitted by C. T. Male to administer the system as water operator, with certified subcontractors, for the Village water department on an interim basis. A W Coon was paid \$ 1,300.00 monthly and C. T. Male has agreed to the same price for the same work. Mayor Blundell read the agreement allowed between C. T. Male and the Village.

Mayor Blundell made a motion based on the resignation of A W Coon to hire C. T. Male as interim water operators until 5-31-13. Trustee Trapp would amended # 6 of the agreement and added extend to 30 days to termination notice. Mayor Blundell will generate a letter accepting A W Coon resignation and demanding all documents and equipment be returned to the Village. All keys must be turned in also. A W Coon does not have a current contract with the Village. Since the resignation was effective 2-14-13 and they were paid in full for the month of February, a refund of two weeks is due back to the Village. Mayor Blundell will discuss the contents of this letter with the Village Attorney. Trustee Norris seconded. All were in favor.

COURT -A second letter of resignation was submitted from Arvine Coon, effective 2-14-13 he is also resigning as Acting Court Justice. Arvine Coon never took a stipend for this position due to the fact that he felt it was a conflict with the water title. Mayor Blundell made a motion to appoint Jeffrey C. Martin as Acting Court Justice until the reorganization meeting in April. Jeff is currently a judge with the Town of Red Hook. Deputy Mayor Kovalchik seconded this motion. All were in favor.

BUDGET – Mayor Blundell stated the Village has better cash flow this year than last– However, It looks like the Village will be unable to stay under the 2% tax cap, as much as we would like to. Some discussion was made on the budget and the group viewed the model spreadsheet for future meetings.

Trustee Trapp made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45. This motion was seconded by Trustee Norris. All were in favor.

Submitted by,

Cynthia Cole
Clerk/Treasurer