

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORKSHOP MEETING  
VILLAGE HALL  
AUGUST 24, 2023**

Present: Mayor Karen Smythe, Trustee Charlie Laing, Trustee Kym Bradley-Rickard, Trustee Steven Appenzeller, and Village Clerk Jennifer Cavanaugh

Absent: Deputy Mayor Melkorka Kjarval

Meeting opened by Mayor Smythe at 7pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Mayor Smythe asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the August 14, 2023, Board of Trustees Meeting & Public Hearing. The motion was made by Trustee Appenzeller and seconded by Trustee Laing. All in attendance in favor. Motion approved.**

Dave Feroe, resident & VFW member, discussed plans for two new benches in Memorial Park. He discussed landscaping plans around the memorial including removing bushes and keeping weeping trees (2). Mr. Feroe stated that he planned to approach the garden club to help plant new perennials.

Mayor Smythe announced that the LOSAP Fire Department volunteer referenda is not allowed to be put on the upcoming Dutchess County administered election. The Village will need to run the special election independently. Mayor Smythe is in discussions with the Mayor Griffith, Village of Tivoli, to hold the special election separately but on the same day.

**Mayor Smythe made a motion to rescind Resolution #38, "Resolution to Seek Voter Approval to Amend the Service Award Program for Active Volunteer Firefighter Members of the Red Hook Fire Department," dated July 27, 2023. The motion was seconded by Trustee Appenzeller. All in attendance in favor. Motion approved.**

No budget adjustments.

Mayor Smythe discussed sewer vouchers, grant awards and funding received by the Village.

Mayor Smythe discussed the 6-month bond anticipation note (BAN) for the garbage/leaf truck. She stated that she is exploring long-term financing options.

Mayor Smythe asked Trustee Appenzeller to obtain a Letter of Engagement from Nelson, Pope & Voorhis, LLC (Village's planning consultant).

**Mayor Smythe asked for a motion to pay all Village bills after audit. Trustee Bradley-Rickard made the motion and it was seconded by Trustee Laing. All in attendance in favor. Motion approved.**

No public comment.

**Mayor Smythe asked for a motion to move the October 9, 2023 Village of Red Hook Board of Trustees meeting to October 10, 2023 due to the holiday. Trustee Bradley-Rickard made the motion and it was seconded by Trustee Appenzeller. All in attendance in favor. Motion approved.**

**Trustee Laing made a motion to adjourn the August 24, 2023 Village Board Workshop Meeting at 7:39pm. The motion was seconded by Trustee Bradley-Rickard. All in attendance in favor. Motion approved.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Jennifer Cavanaugh, Clerk