

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORKSHOP MEETING
VILLAGE HALL
SEPTEMBER 22, 2022**

Present: Mayor Karen Smythe, Deputy Mayor Brent Kovalchik, Trustee Charlie Laing, Trustee Melkorka Kjarval, Trustee Declan Dwyer-McNulty, and Village Clerk Jen Cavanaugh

Absent: None

Meeting opened by Mayor Smythe at 7:04pm

Trustees discussed how minutes are taken and the detail that is required in municipal meetings – attendance and all actions must be captured.

Deputy Mayor Kovalchik made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Village of Red Hook Police contract with the Village of Tivoli. Motion seconded by Trustee Kjarval. All in favor. Motion approved.

Entered Executive Session at 7:17pm, exited at 7:48pm. No actions taken

Trustee Kjarval made a motion to return to public session at 7:49pm. Motion seconded by Deputy Mayor Kovalchik. All in favor. Motion approved.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Kovalchik to approve Tivoli Police Contract, seconded by Trustee Declan Dwyer-McNulty.

Discussion of an amendment to the contract to reflect that if a shift patrolling Tivoli causes overtime wages that it be paid by Tivoli. Mayor Smythe stated that she will add a rate sheet to the contract.

Amendment #1 Section 4a, “Should these hours lead to overtime of a full-time officer, the overtime rate will be charged.” Deputy Mayor Kovalchik proposed that the contract rates be in a Rate Schedule as an addendum.

Amendment #2, contract to reference a Rate Schedule including overtime rates attachment as an addendum instead of having those rates within the contract.

Motion made by Deputy Mayor Kovalchik to approve the amendments to the Tivoli Police Contract, seconded by Trustee Kjarval. All in favor. Motion approved.

Motion on table to approve the Tivoli Police Contract as amended. All in favor. Motion approved.

Discussion with Village of Tivoli Mayor Joel Griffith and Deputy Mayor Emily Majer regarding the current status (noise, nuisance, speeding) and future vision for policing in Tivoli.

Discussion of VFW request to provide funding for Big Band event on October 1 at Red Hook Performing Arts Center. No action.

The Trustees discussed the NY Forward grant application and vision statement.

Amy Smith, volunteer, joined the workshop meeting at 8:45pm and joined discussion of NY Forward grant application.

Mayor Smythe stated that the Village will delay submitting grant application to the next round in order to spend more time collecting information and preparing the submission.

Trustee discussed the need to discuss regional homeless services in the future.

Mayor Smythe tabled noise ordinance discussion for a future meeting but stated that she is likely to propose that the Village use the Town of Red Hook's noise ordinance as a starting point.

Deputy Mayor Kovalchik made a motion to pay all Village bills after audit. Motion seconded by Trustee Laing. All in favor. Motion approved.

Mayor Smythe thanked the Hardscrabble Committee for all of their efforts.

Deputy Mayor Kovalchik made a motion to adjourn the September 22, 2022 Board of Trustees Workshop Meeting at 9:29pm. Motion seconded by Trustee Dwyer-McNulty. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Cavanaugh, Village Clerk