

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
SPECIAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING
JULY 19, 2005
VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Mayor Cohen, Trustee Seymour, Trustee Thayer, Trustee Blundell

Mayor Cohen opened the meeting with a motion to appoint Atiba A. Celestine as a part time police officer. Mr. Celestine is fully certified and qualified for this position and comes with the recommendation of the Red Hook Police Department. Mayor Cohen stated that he feels with his qualifications Mr. Celestine will be a great asset to the department. Trustee Thayer made this in the form of a motion. Trustee Blundell seconded. All were in favor.

Mayor Cohen asked Ed Blundell to work with him on the curb cuts for the new sidewalks. Also, Mayor Cohen seems to think that the brick wall may be on the historical register.

Mayor Cohen informed the board that Brad Moore improperly filled out his retirement application when he was hired and did not opt for the 20 year retirement. Now, Mr. Moore is looking for this benefit. The cost of this benefit for back pay would be approximately \$ 55,000.00. Clerk Cole has spoken to the NYS Retirement, Conference of Mayors and Senator Saland's Office and was mutually informed that this was an error on the part of Mr. Moore and not any responsibility of the Village of Red Hook. Trustee Seymour made a motion not to pay Mr. Moore's retirement. Trustee Thayer seconded. All were in favor.

Trustee Thayer made a motion to adjourn into executive session. Trustee Seymour seconded. All were in favor.

7:15 Reconvened from executive session.

Trustee Thayer made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Blundell seconded. All were in favor.

Submitted by,

Cindi Cole
Clerk