

**VILLAGE OF RED HOOK
7467 SOUTH BROADWAY
RED HOOK, NY 12571
PUBLIC HEARING
May 24, 2007**

WATER RATE CHANGES

Present: Mayor David A. Cohen
Trustee Jack Gilfeather
Trustee Edward Blundell
Trustee Jay Trapp
Trustee Brent Kovalchik

Mayor Cohen opened the meeting at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Cohen began public hearing to discuss the need to increase water rates for the Village of Red Hook.

Trustee Gilfeather stated that water rates have not increased in more than five (5) years therefore the Village should go forward with water rate increase.

Mayor Cohen indicated that the Village has requested water rates from surrounding communities.

Minimum Charge for Usage up to 750CB	\$ 45.00
Senior Citizens – 62 and older	\$ 38.00
\$18.00 per 1000 CF up to 3000 CF	
\$24.00 per 1000 CF up to 5000 CF	
\$30.00 per 1000 CF up to unlimited	

The Town of Red Hook rates will be doubled.

This raise in rates would go to infrastructure improvement and help to conserve our water.

Mayor Cohen indicated that the Board members will be provided with copies of the study for Ground Penetrating Radar Services (underground x-ray).

Mayor Cohen advised all Board members that in the near future the Village Clerk, Cindi, would be providing them with a spreadsheet type of document indicating Village monthly expenses.

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George Beekman was present and asked if a resident fell below the minimum would they be given a break in their water billing. Mayor Cohen stated no and that there has to be a minimum water usage.

David Seymour was present and asked for the gallons on a minimum. Mayor Cohen replied stating 5400.

Trustee Kovalchik spoke on a Task Force Water Study and asked if anyone would be interested in a copy of said report. Mayor Cohen replied yes.

Mayor Cohen made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Blundell seconded this motion. All were in favor.

Submitted by,

Lara Hart
Secretary

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STOP SIGNS

Present: Mayor David A. Cohen
Trustee Edward Blundell
Trustee Jay Trapp
Trustee Brent Kovalchik
Absent: Trustee Gilfeather

Mayor Cohen opened the meeting at 7:30 pm to discuss the need to have a blanket motion (resolution) to certify all Village of Red Hook Stop Signs as legal.

Mayor Cohen stated that our former Judge indicated that there were illegal stop signs in the Village of Red Hook.

It was stated that Stop Signs in the Village are for traffic control, not speed control.

Trustee Kovalchik asked if complaints were made regarding stop signs. Mayor Cohen indicated yes.

Mayor Cohen advised all Board Members and all else present that the Red Hook Police Department will have an officer on duty enforcing "Stop Sign" detail.

Mayor Cohen made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Trapp seconded this motion. All were in favor.

Submitted by,

Lara Hart
Secretary