

## **PRE-BOARD MEETING – OCTOBER 4, 2006**

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on October 4, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at the Frank D. Greco Multi-Purpose Building located on the corner of Market and Robinson Streets in the Village of Saugerties with the following members present:

Councilman Bruce Leighton  
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton  
Councilman Fred Costello, Jr.  
Councilwoman Nancy Campbell  
ABSENT: Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

The following topics were discussed:

Advanced Recovery, Inc. inquiring about putting an electronic collection container at the Transfer Station. This is a 40 yard dumpster and will recycle old computers and outdated electronics. The fee would be \$499.00 to pick up when the dumpster is full.

A meeting at the highway department was conducted regarding space; will go out to bid for a building addition of 20' x 40'.

Helen Budrock, Land Use Planner from the Catskill Center for Conservation and Development spoke to the board. Ms. Budrock wanted to get an idea/input on moratorium on building, assisting communities in planning. Where is your community now and where do you want it to go? May create “sub-committee” to work with Ms. Budrock about needs of community.

Councilwoman Thornton discussed letter from Barry Benepe from Historic Preservation Commission regarding real property tax. If you have a historic house/barn and make improvements and reassessment rises, owner can apply for exemption with a sliding scale for a 10 year period.

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## **TOWN BOARD MEETING – OCTOBER 4, 2006**

The Town Board Meeting was held on October 4, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Frank D. Greco Multi-Purpose Building located on the corner of Market and Robinson Streets in the Village of Saugerties. The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance with the following members present:

Councilman Bruce Leighton

Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton  
Councilman Fred Costello, Jr.  
Councilwoman Nancy Campbell  
ABSENT: Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

**PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:** none

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** none

**SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:**

Deputy Supervisor/Councilman Costello mentioned that at the Glasco Mini Park the first slab of concrete/steel will be pushed into the river shortly. Also, attended the meeting with the Supervisor at the highway department regarding lack of space.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Leighton to approve the minutes of Pre-Board Meeting on September 20, 2006; Town Board Meeting on September 20, 2006; and Public Hearing on September 27, 2006, carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Leighton to approve the bills as presented, carried.

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| General Fund            | \$55,244.86 |
| General Outside Village | 15,861.20   |
| Recreational Capital    | 735.30      |
| Highway Townwide        | 10,994.45   |
| Highway Outside Village | 21,118.74   |
| Capital Projects        | 54,535.14   |
| Ambulance District      | 36,114.58   |
| Lighting District       | 4,286.78    |
| Barclay Heights Sewer   | 41,738.95   |
| Glasco Sewer            | 8,450.12    |
| Malden Sewer            | 2,717.77    |
| Glasco Water            | 924.12      |
| Malden Water            | 223.06      |

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:** none

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Councilman Leighton** – the town and village have been working collectively on a water main through Cantine Field to provide better fire protection. Simulaids had their water flow test done, which was successful. Fire hydrants will be flushed during the week of October 9, 2006.

**Councilwoman Thornton** – CPC hosted public informational meeting featuring Robert McKeen to preserve and protect open space. Zoning articles are out to draft with Michael Welty. The media crew was welcomed from Scott Wickham’s class at SHS and are filming tonight’s meeting to be viewed on Channel 23. Committee is excited to have the student’s involved. Historic Preservation meets on October 16<sup>th</sup>, Monday night. Jeremiah Russell House was accepted at the last meeting and will go before the Town Board.

**Councilwoman Campbell** – Economic Development Committee hosted a very successful meeting with Melissa Emerick on sustainable industry in the Hudson Valley; some very good ideas to promote economic growth. The survey has been sent out to local businesses and have started to come back with a good response. Upper Hudson River Alliance would like to produce a kayak guide between B & B’s on either side of the river to promote recreational interest.

#### **MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion made by Councilwoman Campbell, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the following resolution, as read, with regard to a Proposal for Esopus & Feeder Stream Evaluation/Restoration.

Town of Saugerties  
Support Ashokan Pepacton Watershed Chapter Trout Unlimited, Inc.  
Proposal for Esopus & Feeder Stream Evaluation/Restoration

WHEREAS, changing weather patterns along with management practices by city, state, and federal government agencies and departments are threatening our waterways and continued added heavy flows from the Shandaken tunnel as are leaving many of our waterways in poor condition; and,

WHEREAS, the many feeder streams emptying into the Ashokan Reservoir and the Esopus Creek directly impact the residents and property owners along their banks; and,

WHEREAS, the recent flooding again demonstrates that taking action on a piecemeal approach or only when disaster occurs is detrimental to the streams and landholders;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Saugerties supports the Ashokan Pepacton Watershed Chapter Trout Unlimited, Inc., and the Catskill Delaware Natural Water Alliance, Inc., in their efforts for a comprehensive proposal to find cooperative funding for evaluation and restoration of the habitat and

stability of our waterways thus protecting purity of water, aquatic and terrestrial habitat, and personal property.

Roll Call Vote:

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| Councilman Bruce Leighton     | voting | Yes |
| Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton | voting | Yes |
| Councilwoman Nancy Campbell   | voting | Yes |
| Councilman Fred Costello      | voting | Yes |
| Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel   | ABSENT |     |

Motion made by Councilman Leighton, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the following resolution, as read, with regard to a recreational trail network within the Cantine Veterans Memorial Complex. Motion to authorize and direct Town Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel to file an application for grant funds from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in accordance with the provisions of the Recreational Trails Program, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, and upon approval of said request to enter into and execute a Project Agreement with the State for such financial assistance to the Town of Saugerties to be used for the development of a recreational trail network within the Cantine Veterans Memorial Complex.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Leighton to authorize the Highway Superintendent to advertise for bids on a new 20' x 40' office addition at the town highway facility.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Leighton to authorize Advanced Recovery, Inc. a licensed electronics dismantling recycling company to provide a 40 yard container at the Town of Saugerties Transfer Station for the purpose of collecting used electronic equipment at a cost of \$499.00 per pick up.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilwoman Campbell to appoint a steering committee made up of a representative from the CPC, CAC, Zoning, Planning and Economic Development Committees to work with Helen Budrock of the Catskill Center to organize a community visioning workshop forum.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Leighton to adjourn Town Board Meeting, carried.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

**Tuesday, October 10, 2006**

**Public Hearing**

**5:30 p.m.**

**Wednesday, October 18, 2006**

**Pre-Board Meeting  
Town Board Meeting**

**6:00 p.m.  
7:00 p.m.**

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Town Clerk