

PRE-BOARD MEETING - DECEMBER 17, 2008

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, December 17, 2008 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. The following members were present:

Councilman Bruce Leighton
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello
Councilwoman Nancy Campbell
Supervisor Greg Helmsmoortel

The following topics were discussed:

Susan Poretz and Barbara Kaisik approached the board with an idea for a Senior Learning Center. This would be a place that offers courses, which would not cost the town anything and would not disrupt the senior groups. Would like it to be a town committee and would use the senior center space for the courses. Councilwoman Campbell asked about age limit and fees and Councilwoman Thornton asked about list of courses. Supervisor Helmsmoortel said to get a committee together and asked Councilwoman Thornton to be liaison. We will put this on the Organizational Meeting in January.

Laurence Ulfik, candidate for Planning Board would also serve as Alternate Committee Member. He was on Tivoli ZBA and has lived in Saugerties 1 ½ years. He likes the town and wants to contribute. He travels a lot but would make the meetings.

Supervisor Helmsmoortel relayed Marie Post's request that insulation is already installed in the big barn building at the Transfer Station, she is looking into a used oil furnace (motor oil), which refrigerators and air conditioners can be stripped better. Werner Hegner warns to be careful with contaminated oil. Councilwoman Campbell questioned how you would know if anti-freeze is in the oil. Councilwoman Thornton asked about cost and Supervisor Helmsmoortel said \$7,000.00.

Supervisor Helmsmoortel informed everyone that Comfort Inn is expanding to include a pool and Holiday Inn Express is going through the Planning Board to be built by Mobil Gas Station, Route 212 and Kings Highway.

Deputy Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING - DECEMBER 17, 2008

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, December 17, 2008 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
Councilwoman Nancy Campbell
Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR: none

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Tom Cafaldo – would like to thank the Town Board for assistance with the problem with his property on York Street in Glasco. Supervisor Helsmoortel was glad to hear a positive comment and thank you is extended to the town engineer.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

Winston Farm one of top three sites for campus type facility – green, nano type of building and open space on everyone’s wish list. Community in-put meeting to be held. Very positive and very good process with community and specialists in the field. Taxes will be good for our community, our children won’t have to leave the town. Councilman Costello added that he is proud of this and will attract good jobs; excitement at the meetings and are charged with great potential. Two to three years from now, there will be a change. Councilwoman Campbell said it is a great relationship that is being made with the owners and happy to be working together.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on December 3, 2008 and Special Town Board Meeting on December 9, 2008, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$70,962.68
General Outside Village	13,220.76
Highway	39,588.64
Capital Projects	23,612.50
Barclay Heights Sewer	57,090.14

Glasco Sewer	1,155.51
Malden Sewer	2,347.44
Glasco Water	339.63
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BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Leighton – November monthly report; sampling submitted for Malden and Glasco. Usage falls within parameters. Vernon Benjamin is looking for sources with rebuilding of clarifier.

Councilwoman Thornton – Historic Preservation Commission will have public hearings on Snyder House on February 17, 2009. Stone House Tour on May 16 and 17, 2009; 16 responded for tour. Secret Garden will be held in the summer. TV23 fine tuning negotiations with Time Warner on contract. Hudsonia will be training people for GIS map reading.

Councilman Costello – Chief Barbaria thanked staff and Alex Nahow for setting him up in his office. Compliment Ice Rink staff for continued hard work. Congratulations to Glasco Fire Department in reopening their firehouse after damage was done due to a fire.

Councilwoman Campbell – Planning meeting has good stuff going on at the Public Hearing last night. Holiday in the Village went well and thanks to Ray Mayone and his team of horses they gave rides to over 600 people around town that day. January 3rd will be a new segment with the Greg & Bob Show on TV23 with Assemblyman Pete Lopez as phone-in guest.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Leighton to allow Bettyann Brink a HUD employee and Mark Resso a Water & Sewer employee to carry over one week (5 days) of vacation time from 2008 to be used in 2009.

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the standard IRS allowance for mileage reimbursement at a rate of 55 cents per mile, effective January 1, 2009.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Supervisor Helmoortel to approve the 2009 facility use fees per the recommendation of the Superintendent of Parks & Buildings, as on file, effective January 1, 2009.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Leighton to approve a 3% raise for 2009 for the following employees who are not covered in any town

agreements: Deborah Martino, Eileen Pistoia, Frank Orlando, Jeremy Kane, Terri Bartosik, Terri Wood and Kerensa Demarest.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Leighton, seconded by Councilwoman Campbell to authorize an increase in pay for Town of Saugerties part time employees, not represented in any labor agreement, of up to 50 cents per hour subject to department head approval.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helmsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the following salaries for Elected Officials for 2009:

Town Supervisor	\$35,000.00
Town Clerk	\$38,599.00
Town Highway Superintendent	\$52,250.00
Town Board Members (4)	\$10,000.00 each
Town Tax Collector	\$36,758.00
Town Judges (2)	\$25,750.00 each

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Campbell, seconded by Councilman Costello to renew the Contract of Shared Services Renting, Leasing of Highway Machinery and Equipment Exchanging, Borrowing Equipment; Borrowing or Lending of Materials and Supplies Agreement, as on file, and to add the Town of Hunter Highway Department and Town of Catskill Highway Department to said agreement per the recommendation of the Highway Superintendent.

Discussion: Councilwoman Campbell added that Bernie Ellsworth was asked to speak at Association of Towns in February regarding this and this agreement was already in place, but adding the two additional towns.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

The Town Board wishes everyone a very Happy Holiday!

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

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, January 7, 2009

Organizational Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Deputy Town Clerk