

PRE- BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 5, 2025

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at 6:45 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:

Councilwoman Peg Nau
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Mike Ivino
Councilman Zach Horton
Supervisor Fred Costello

Motion make by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Nau to enter into Executive Session to discuss discipline of a particular person at 6:45 p.m., carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to exit Executive Session at 7:00 p.m., carried.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 5, 2025

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, November 5, 2025 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:

Councilwoman Peg Nau
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Mike Ivino
Councilman Zach Horton
Supervisor Fred Costello

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Richard Kappler presented the town board with a check from the Garlic Festival to defray expenses. This is the 33 year of the Garlic Festival with 250 volunteers participating and close to 40,000 visitors during the two day event. Every dollar made goes back to the community and

the zero waste initiative was enforced. Greg Chorvas added that it is a wonderful domino economic effect not only through the Town of Saugerties but through Ulster County.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Stephanie Bassler – regarding the purchase of the dump truck, would like context when the motion is on the table. Supervisor Costello said that there are companies that make sure of getting competitive bids for government agencies.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

Turnout for Election Day was robust and thank you to all who put their names on the ballot and ran a good election.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the minutes of Public Hearing on October 15, 2025 regarding the Extension of Glasco Ponds Stormwater Management District; Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting of October 15, 2025; Bid Opening of October 16, 2025 of Emergency Backup Power at the Ice Arena and Budget Workshop of October 29, 2025, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$56,868.06
General Outside Village	5,710.24
Highway	12,840.46
Capital Projects	2,712.50
Ambulance District	137,331.08
Sewer O&M	542.50
Water O&M	542.50
Central Hudson	26,465.22

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Greg Chorvas – shutting down facilities for the winter which is a 7-8 day task; used Auctions International recently for equipment no longer of use; 25th Anniversary of the Ice Rink with a

celebration on November 8. Many thanks to Dave Hughes for tree cutting services with 100% donation.

Chief Swart – successful Halloween, thank you to all. Wish Kievaugn Wright the best of luck in his new position; would like to thank Walter O'Connor for his years of service as a crossing guard.

Ray Mayone – congratulate Bill Barr and Stephanie Bassler on their success for town board seats and invite them to come and visit the highway department to see how the department operates.

Diane Friedmann – finishing school tax season and working on getting the water bills out.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Nau – nothing to report

Councilwoman Thornton – gave local food pantries contact information and its also on the website; reflective vests are available in the Town Clerk's Office; UCAT is looking at up-dating new routes; check out library website and attended a "bear wise" meeting in New Paltz and have great information on what not to do to attract bears.

Councilman Ivino – nothing to report

Councilman Horton – currently going through requirements for Jaycee Field and what is needed and consensus is that the more permanent ground cover is the way to go. Initially more expensive but will last longer with better results.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to allow the supervisor to sign the Memorandum of Agreement, as on file, between the Town of Saugerties and the United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU).

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that the current draft resolves all issues.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to appoint Brigid Walsh as the alternate representative for the Town of Saugerties on the Ulster County Planning Board from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2029.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to appoint Gilda Riccardi to the Ethics Committee to fulfill a vacancy left by the passing of Shirley McLaren with a term to expire on December 31, 2028, effective immediately.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Supervisor Costello to accept the resignation of Officer Kievaugn Evans-Wright, effective November 4, 2025.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to allow the supervisor to sign the retainer agreement, as on file, between the Town of Saugerties and Roemer, Wallens Gold & Mineaux LLP Counsellors at Law.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Horton to approve a refund of \$75.00 to Nicholas Farina for a Planning Board Workshop that was not needed per the request of the Planning Board Chair Howie Post.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Horton to rescind the following from the July 12, 2023 agenda/minutes: authorizing the Town of Saugerties Highway Superintendent to purchase a 10 Wheel Dump Truck Model year 2025 for no more than \$300,000.00 under a bid from Onondaga County Contract #0010914.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolution, as on file, authorizing the Town of Saugerties Highway Superintendent to purchase a 6 Wheel Dump Truck Model Year 2025 for no more than \$300,000.00 under a bid from Onondaga County Contract #0010914.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the resolution, as on file, to add or extend certain town roads on the Local Highway Inventory in the Town of Saugerties.

Discussion: Ray Mayone explained that they are allowed one time a year to re-evaluate the roads for CHIPS money and submit for more funding.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Horton to approve the low bid from Richers Electric, in the amount of \$87,695.00 for Emergency Backup Power for Building A at the Kiwanis Ice Arena, consisting of one (1) Kohler KG125 3-phase Generator with a Kohler

400 amp Outdoor Automatic Transfer Switch. Funds to be paid from State and Municipalities (SAM) Grant, Project ID #25834, as per the recommendation of the Ice Arena Director and the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve a budget amendment posting an increase of \$30,000.00 to Line item Account #A1620.200 from fund balance for replacement of the Police roof approved by the Town Board September 3, 2025 as per the town's CPA.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to allow the supervisor to sign the form for a designation of a hearing officer in regards to the matter of the disciplinary charges against a town employee.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to hire Jesse M. Ferraro, of Saugerties, as a new school crossing guard at the rate of \$18.00 per hour, effective November 6, 2025.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Supervisor Costello to allow the supervisor to sign, as on file, the Stop DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaign Agreement between the Town of Saugerties and Ulster County.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 8:04 p.m., carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

Pre-Board Meeting

6:30 p.m.

Town Board Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Meeting closed in memory of James Cornelison, Thomas Rinaldi and Noel Defino.

Town Clerk