

## **TOWN BOARD MEETING – DECEMBER 19, 2017**

The Town Board Meeting was held on Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Frank D. Greco Multi-Purpose Building located at 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 William Schirmer  
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton  
Councilman Fred Costello  
Councilman James Bruno  
Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

### **PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:**

Beth Bechtold presented a check from Kiwanis for help the town gave during the Garlic Festival. Expenses that are incurred during the festival are reimbursed through this check.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

Chief Sinagra presented “Pride of Police Department” to Greg Helsmoortel, Bill Schirmer and Jim Bruno for their years of service to the town.

Stefan Yarabek thanked Greg, Bill and Jim for their service.

Elizabeth Shafer thanked Greg Helsmoortel for continually putting her on committees.

Stephen Shafer added that it was a privilege and pleasure to have these three individuals on the town board.

### **SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:**

Recognized Mary Olsen (Youth Awards) and Marjorie Block (Tourism) and thanked them for their time, effort and help.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting of November 15, 2017 and Bid Opening of December 4, 2017 regarding 508 York Street, Malden, carried.

### **APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

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

General Fund	\$285,392.38
General Outside Village	19,541.22
Highway	101,599.46
Capital Projects	97,251.74
Ambulance District	59,929.17
Lighting District	6,706.30
Barclay Heights Sewer	2,315.32
Glasco Sewer	12,158.92
Malden Sewer	8,014.97
Kings Highway Sewer	58.44
Glasco Water	5,437.07
Malden Water	934.27
Kings Highway Water	187.85
Bluestone Park Water	454.37
Trust & Agency	715.00

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilman Schirmer – no official business to report. Didn't know what to expect when he took office 4 years but the board members brought him up to speed and they have been wonderful to work with. Department Heads are great to work with, thank everyone and wish the new board all the best. It has been a pleasure to serve.

Councilwoman Thornton – TV23 will air Bristol Beach presentation. Committees may have openings to be filled, check with a town board member. Have enjoyed working with Councilmen Bruno and Schirmer.

Councilman Bruno – nothing to report but want to thank everyone for support for the last 8 years. It has been a pleasure working with Greg, a true leader.

Councilman Costello – bittersweet to be here tonight, pleasure to work with Jimmy who I've known forever. Bill, it has been great to get to know you and you left your committees for the better. Greg, so many improvements we worked on together seeking solutions – proud of accomplishments.

Greg Chorvas – thanked Councilmen Bruno and Schirmer for their support through the years. Supervisor Helsmoortel secured town hall with little burden on taxpayers and continued to work hard. Great experience working with him.

**MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to rename the Town of Saugerties Animal Shelter the Marie Post Animal Shelter.

Discussion: Supervisor Helsmoortel added that she was a tremendous asset, glad to do this.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schirmer, seconded by Councilman Bruno to allow the supervisor to sign the supplementary letter, as on file, in accompaniment to contract #CO10436, the agreement between the NYS Thruway Authority and the Town of Saugerties on behalf of the Malden Water District for the provision of public water service to the Malden Service area.

Discussion: Councilman Schirmer said this was the topic of one of the first meetings when he took office and now it is finally done.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the credit card and travel policy, as on file, for the Town of Saugerties.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to approve the 2018 DWI Task Force Agreement, as on file, between Ulster County and the Town of Saugerties.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the independent accountant's report on applying agreed-upon procedures, as on file, in regards to the tax collector.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the independent accountant's report on applying agreed-upon procedures, as on file, in regards to the Town Clerk.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schirmer, seconded by Councilman Bruno to allow Mark Resso, Water & Sewer Department employee, to carry over 10 unused vacation days to be used in 2018.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schirmer, seconded by Councilman Bruno to allow Michele Haines, Water & Sewer Department employee, to carry over 10 unused vacation days to be used in 2018.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Costello to allow Brenda Doyle, Assessor's Office employee, to carry over 3.5 unused vacation days to be used in 2018.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to hire Michael R. Rogers as a part time Police Officer, effective December 20, 2017 at the rate of \$21.00 an hour.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to accept the resignation of part time Dispatcher David M. Liddell effective November 27, 2017.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to rescind the motion of October 4, 2017 appointing Paul Andreassen as the regular representative for the Town of Saugerties on the Ulster County Planning Board from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2021.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to rescind the motion of October 4, 2017 appointing Robert Hlavaty as an alternate representative for the Town of Saugerties on the Ulster County Planning Board from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2021.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Costello to appoint Robert Hlavaty as the regular representative for the Town of Saugerties on the Ulster County Planning Board from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2021.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to recognize Shout Out Saugerties as a town board recognized organization that promotes the arts in Saugerties (i.e., organized similar to Lifespring)

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schirmer, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), as on file, between the Town of Saugerties and the United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU).

Discussion: Councilman Schirmer added that this represents Water & Sewer and Transfer Station by extending the contract by another year.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to hire William O'Connor as a part time "as needed" laborer at the Transfer Station, with a pay rate of \$15.00 per hour as per the recommendation of the Department Head Douglas F. Myer.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Schirmer authorizing Superintendent of Highways, Douglas F. Myer to hire William Morgan as a part time “as needed” laborer for winter snow removal at a rate of \$15.00 per hour.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the Proposed 2018 Facility Use Fees, on file, effective December 20, 2017, for facility use commencing January 1, 2018, as per the recommendation of the Parks and Buildings Superintendent.

Discussion: Greg Chorvas explained that facilities are in high demand.

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the Proposed 2018 Facility Use Fees, on file, for the Kiwanis Ice Arena, effective December 20, 2017, for the 2018-2019 Ice Season, along with the Non-Ice Season, as per the recommendation of the Ice Arena Director and the Parks and Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Supervisor Helmoortel per the 2018 Budget Submittal Narrative, to allocate and dedicate, from undedicated funds in the Recreation Trust Fund, \$100,000.00 towards the roof replacement at the Kiwanis Ice Arena, as per the recommendation of the Town Accountant and Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Discussion: Greg Chorvas explained that this is needed, had to show where additional money was coming from as a match.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the Superintendent of Parks & Buildings to authorize engineering firm Praetorius and Conrad to generate bid specifications and drawings for the roof replacement project at the Kiwanis Ice Arena and upon completion of to advertise for Bid Submittals, as per the recommendation of the Ice Arena Director and the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Discussion: Councilman Costello added that this is due to be replaced, will need to get bids.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to allocate from “Premium On-Site Parking Fees”, in the Recreation Trust Fund, \$25,000.00 and dedicate towards procurement of Emergency Backup Generator for the Kiwanis Ice Arena, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to authorize the Ice Arena Director to enter into Agreement with LiveBarn Inc., on file, pursuant to which LiveBarn will install at the Kiwanis Ice Arena’s ice rink sheet, as described in said Agreement, a fully automated sports broadcasting system for the delivery of live and/or on demand video and audio streaming to internet connected devices such as smartphones, computers or tablets (the

“Automated Online Broadcast Service”), at no cost to the Town of Saugerties, along with stipulation, as contained in said Agreement, LiveBarn shall pay Town of Saugerties thirty percent (30%) of membership revenues, annually, over term of agreement, as per the recommendation of Town Attorney George Redder, the Ice Arena Director and the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to approve a lease and PILOT agreement for the use of the town transfer station property by East Light Partners for the purpose of installing a solar array on a footprint acceptable to the town at a rate agreed-upon for the rental of the property during pre-development, the leasing agreement and PILOT, and authorizing the town supervisor to execute the same.

Discussion: Supervisor Helsmoortel said they were working on this for 2 years and were selected from many bidders. Woodstock may also buy from this.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Supervisor Helsmoortel closed with saying this was a sad night for being his last town board meeting. This board has been exceptional. Tremendous department heads and employees; volunteers have been part of the success. Saugerties is a great community, thank you.

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to adjourn Town Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m., carried.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

<b>Monday, January 1, 2018</b>	<b>Special Town Board Meeting Following swearing-in ceremony</b>	<b>12 noon</b>
<b>Wednesday, January 3, 2018</b>	<b>Organizational Meeting</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>

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Town Clerk