

PRE-BOARD MEETING – MARCH 4, 2015

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in 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 William Schirmer
Councilwoman Leanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello
Councilman James Bruno
Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

Supervisor Helsmoortel verified that everyone received the letter about parking at the lot at the old Ferroxcube building for the dedication of the fallen soldier. They need the towns' help to clear snow and Doug Myer on board to help with his crew.

Councilwoman Thornton said that in the Overlay Protection (Section 245-25 Sec. C #1 U,Z, BB & 2A and 28) it says, pipeline to carry petroleum...are prohibited. It is already in the Zoning Law.

Councilwoman Thornton asked what the plan is for the Transfer Station and Animal Shelter. Supervisor Helsmoortel and Councilman Bruno met with Ellie Monfett. Marie Post had been training her. Ellie will take on more hours and she has the experience because she previously owned a kennel. Nancy Gage will continue to be Dog Warden for now. Bruce Fellows will continue to help. Joe Hartrum will fill-in for the Transfer Station for now. Supervisor Helsmoortel and Councilman Bruno need to go the RRA and meet with them.

Webmaster would like to put employee job opportunities on the site. Councilman Bruno said that if a job is civil service, should have a blurb about compliance. Councilman Schirmer asked if we would be obligated to post every opening.

Councilwoman Thornton suggested that we should re-think a Dog Park in Saugerties in memory of Marie Post. Two different size parks – one for small dogs and one for larger dogs. More discussion will follow on this matter.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – MARCH 4, 2015

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in 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 William Schirmer
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello
Councilman James Bruno
Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR: none

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Lanny Walter, VanVlierden Road – presenting Resolution from the Democratic Committee to oppose the Pipeline. Bad indication as how Pilgrim Pipeline has handled things so far. Pete Seeger fought for clean water and air and should be memorialized by opposition. Also, Saugerties Hudson Valley Partnership talked about a dog park ten years ago and would be happy to be a part of it; excellent to name the park after Marie.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

A moment of silence was observed for the passing of Marie Post.

There will be a dedication for a fallen soldier at the Army Reserve Center this weekend.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board meetings on February 18, 2015, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$1,124,378.45
General Outside Village	5,645.46
Highway	67,623.57
Ambulance District	99,692.18
Barclay Heights Sewer	1,317.06
Glasco Sewer	6,783.66
Malden Sewer	4,731.28
Kings Highway Sewer	93.02
Glasco Water	2,320.62
Malden Water	979.98
Kings Highway Water	193.34
Trust & Agency	1,077.99

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Schirmer – Historic Preservation Commission meeting was cancelled in February. The Water & Sewer reports are available for anyone that would like to see them. The Ethics Committee will be at the next town board meeting.

Councilwoman Thornton – Complete Streets applications are due March 5th to Village Hall.

Councilman Costello – congratulations to Chief Sinagra with the Boy Scout program. Thanks to police department and highway for helping with the water and sewer break. Congratulations to the Ice Rink for hosting a big tournament.

Councilman Bruno – nothing to report

Chief Sinagra – they are starting Explorer Post #1118 for males and females ages 14-19; an information night is forthcoming.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve hiring part time police officer David Stoutenburgh as a full time police officer at a rate of \$21.59 an hour, effective February 3, 2015.

Discussion: Chief said this is not a new hire, nothing changed from the budget.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve hiring Dispatcher Elizabeth K. Fallon from a contingent position to a permanent full time position at her same rate of pay which is \$16.61 an hour, effective February 18, 2015.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve hiring Mary K. Seyfarth as a part time dispatcher at a rate of \$16.20 per hour, effective March 4, 2015.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the proclamation, as read, celebrating March 7, 2015 as Tyler Corvin Day.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Town of Saugerties is celebrating March 7, 2015 as **Tyler Corvin Day**, and

WHEREAS, we appreciate his spirit and courage in dealing with epilepsy, and

WHEREAS, we acknowledge with much respect Tyler for his dedication to always approach life with enthusiasm, and

WHEREAS, we thank Tyler for his examples of leadership, loyalty and citizenship, and

WHEREAS, we honor and applaud Tyler’s efforts put forth in school and in our community through his activities such as scouting and sports, and

WHEREAS, we recognize Tyler as a distinguished and cheerful citizen, and

WHEREAS, it is a privilege to have Tyler as a member of our Saugerties community, and

WHEREAS, Tyler is given a “Friendly Saugerties” congratulations on his accomplishment of being chosen as a “Winning Kid” by the Epilepsy Foundation of Northeastern NY, Inc, and

WHEREAS, we wish Tyler well in his future endeavors, and

THEREFORE, I, Supervisor Greg Helmsmoortel of the Town of Saugerties do hereby recognize March 7, 2015 as “Tyler Corvin Day” in Saugerties, NY.

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve Intervenor status for the Town of Saugerties in New York State Public Service Commission Case No. 13-T-0455 (“Part A Application of NextEra Energy Transmission New York, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article VII of the Public Service Law for the Marcy to Pleasant Valley Project”), informally known as the proposed 245 kV electrical transmission line within the NYS Thruway right-of-way through Saugerties, and to approve an Intervenor Fund request for the Town’s costs for participating in the case.

Discussion: Supervisor Helmsmoortel added that this was done a number of years ago and we are able to be reimbursed for Engineer and other expenses.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to appoint Mike Harkavy to the economic development Committee for 2015.

Discussion: Supervisor Helmsmoortel thanked Mike for volunteering.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helmsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Bruno to adjourn town board meeting at 7:25 p.m., carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, March 18, 2015

**Pre-Board Meeting
Town Board Meeting**

**6:30 p.m.
7:00 p.m.**

Town Clerk