

PRE-BOARD MEETING – JUNE 12, 2019

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Councilman Paul Andreassen
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Mike MacIsaac
Councilman John Schoonmaker
Supervisor Fred Costello

Discussion of up-coming paperwork for zoning change regarding Kings Highway and fee changes for ZBA.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – JUNE 12, 2019

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 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 opened with the Pledge of Allegiance with the following members present:

Councilman Paul Andreassen
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Mike MacIsaac
Councilman John Schoonmaker
Supervisor Fred Costello

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Christine Aiello – lives on Birchwood Drive West and feels the town needs to adopt some local laws that the village abides by; Local Law #1 and 3 of 2005 deals with property maintenance and inoperable motor vehicles in the village. Also, Jaycee Park needs up-dating and repair. Town residents should be treated equal to village residents.

Carol Kaelin and Doug Burt spoke regarding Pickleball and would like to see a court or two installed in Saugerties. They have to go to Kingston in order to play.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Jeanne Goldberg and Samantha Dederick, ZBA members – please take action to amend the Zoning Law to set up escrow accounts. Town Attorney George Redder should be submitting paperwork shortly.

Pat Caffrey – speaking in support of the Youth Hockey League, Rob Kleemann and Greg Chorvas are very supportive of the sport and the league continues to grow. Urge the town board to vote positively for the motion to accept the bid. This is the only rink between Albany and Newburgh.

Kelly Myers, parent of figure skater that previously played hockey; benefits also from the sport in commitment and setting goals. Saugerties is producing national level skaters and there is excitement about the rink being re-vamped. Received information about financing when asked and it is incredible on the amount of money coming in to support this endeavor. Tremendous job by the board; this is not a tax burden.

Mark Signore, president of Youth Hockey Association – hopes that the motions pass and the group does realize that the season may start later than normal; it has taken many years to build this program.

Sandra Smith – plays hockey for women’s team and loves the sport; group started out as 25 and now has grown to around 50. This sport keeps people active and travel throughout the Hudson Valley. It would be nice to hold clinics and invite other teams to participate.

Linda Westlyn – we hold competitions in Saugerties and host skaters from out of the area, this is a very competitive group. The drop-in program on Saturday mornings has grown and there are a lot of people affected by the rink. Please get the ball rolling on this project.

Emily Matthews – both children learned to skate through hockey and they are also homeschooled, which is used to fulfill the gym requirement.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

The dumping situation is status-quo, we are waiting for the report from DEC. Would like to compliment SHS on the programs given this past week, great job. Also, would consider putting the effort into a property maintenance law and the building department would welcome it.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman MacIsaac to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on May 15, 2019; Bid Opening of May 16, 2019 for Highway; Bid Opening of May 24, 2019 for Ice Rink and Bid Opening on May 30, 2019 for Water & Sewer Department, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$358,279.49
General Outside Village	24,293.77
Highway	129,436.47
Capital Projects	501.83
Lighting District	11,003.29
Sewer O & M	14,871.09
Water O & M	8,228.00
Central Hudson	11,995.38

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Greg Chorvas – Bigelow Park has had new swings installed and two new pieces for Jaycee Park. Vandalism has happened in a dark area at Jaycee so we are looking into Central Hudson installing lights in that area. There is a motion on the agenda for installing a pavilion at Terpening Park in Malden and there is a donation toward the pavilion. Recently hosted the regional baseball tournament and the weather cooperated.

Claudia Andreassen – read May monthly report and hired a new court clerk to replace Eileen Pistoia, who retires July 5th.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Andreassen – worked Habitat for Humanity project today. Congratulations to Dom Giarruputo who earned his Eagle Scout. Historic Preservation Commission received a letter from the family owning home at Bigelow Park and does not want historic designation. Planning Board held their meeting recently. Tom Melville’s wife Lorraine passed away yesterday, residents of Malden. Appreciate all the people showing up for the ice rink but does have some concerns.

Councilwoman Thornton – attended meeting at FDR Library and received \$10,000.00 grant from Greenway for the Comprehensive Plan and \$5,000.00 grant to the Lighthouse for 150th Anniversary. STAC met and we have four police officers in training for bike patrol. Boys & Girls Club had their most successful auction; next fundraiser August 3 golf tourney at Rip Van Winkle Country Club. Library Street Fair will be on Saturday, June 15th. Lifespring is celebrating their 10th anniversary.

Councilman Maclsaac – welcome to all the hockey fans! Grievance Day had 44 in attendance and 66 spoke with the Assessor.

Councilman Schoonmaker – Animal Shelter held their yard sale and cheesecake bake off fundraisers. Kitten shower will be held in July. Shout Out Saugerties has their kick off on June 21. Glasco Fire Department will host food trucks on June 15th.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Supervisor Costello to set a public hearing date of July 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. regarding the Community Choice Aggregation Program.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that aggregate electric meters will have better rates and Councilman Maclsaac said energy bills could go down 10%.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve a Public Hearing for the purpose of applying for Community Development Block Grant funds to create handicapped access to the Saugerties Town Hall, to be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at the Frank D. Greco Senior Citizens Center on Market Street in the Village of Saugerties.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello said that the Town Clerk issues handicap permits without accessibility and we are hoping we will be successful with this grant.

Vote: Adopted – 5 yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to hire Melissa Fisher as Clerk to the Justice for the Town of Saugerties Court at a pay rate of \$15.00 per hour, effective June 3, 2019.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Andreassen abstained)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Andreassen to increase tax office employee Donna Shultis' salary to \$17.52 per hour, effective July 1, 2019.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello said in negotiating contracts, we are trying to maintain equality.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Maclsaac to increase animal shelter employee Morgan Bach's salary to \$13.00 per hour, effective July 1, 2019.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to approve the move of Officer Brent VanNosall from part time officer to reserve officer, effective June 13, 2019.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Supervisor Costello to hire Sophie A. Epstein as a part time police officer, effective June 30, 2019 at a rate of \$21.50 an hour.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Supervisor Costello to hire Helen Herndon as a part time dispatcher, effective June 13, 2019 and at a pay rate of \$17.84 per hour.
Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Maclsaac to authorize the Parks & Buildings Department to proceed with install of a 12'x28' pre-fab pavilion, at George Terpening Memorial Park, at a cost not to exceed \$15,000.00 per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent (**note: portion of expense being reimbursed by donor).
Discussion: Supervisor Costello noted that this will add significant improvement.
Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to add to the part time call out list Sonnie Brink at a rate of \$12.00/hour per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.
Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Supervisor Costello to add to the part time call out list, William Voerg, Jr., as Mechanic at the previously approved salary scheduled (Level 16, Grade 3) at a rate of \$18.00/hour as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.
Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Supervisor Costello to allow the supervisor to sign the Notice of Award, as on file, regarding the extension of water main and appurtenances on Malden Tunpike.
Discussion: Supervisor Costello said that the thruway is interested in connecting and it would allow users along the way to be added.
Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolution, as on file, accepting bid and authorizing the award of contract for the work entitled, "Saugerties – Project No. D-17-106D" for removal and off-site disposal of an existing 120 foot cover-all building known as the Saugerties Ice Skating Rink Building.
Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Andreassen abstained)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to approve the resolution, as on file, accepting bid and authorizing the award of contract for the "Saugerties – Project No. D-17-106B" for design/build of a new hybrid building known as the Saugerties Ice Skating Rink.
Discussion: Supervisor Costello said that it will have steel walls, which will be more robust and be insulated.
Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Andreassen abstained)

