Pre-Board Meeting - March 10, 2004

The pre-board meeting of the Town Board was held in the Frank D. Greco Multi-Purpose Building at the corner of Market and Robinson Streets in the Village of Saugerties at 6:00 pm with the following members present:

Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel Councilman Tom Macarille Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton Councilman Fred Costello, Jr. Councilman Phil Tucker

The following topics were discussed:

Bernie Ellsworth, Superintendent of Highways – asking board to move forward with purchasing pick-up; also, heating system needs shut-off valves added per OSHA, which puts it a couple hundred dollars over budget.

Bike Route – questioned if town is liable. There will be three routes and the state still needs to give permission for the state owned roads. The signs were paid for through the Greenway grant.

Councilman Tucker – discussed full-time position for water/sewer department and he handed out job description for same.

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Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel Councilman Tom Macarille

Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton Councilman Fred Costello, Jr. Councilman Phil Tucker

The meeting was opened at 7:05 pm with the pledge of allegiance.

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Richard Syracuse & Jeremy Wilkening - re: RUPCO project in the Saxton area, Town of Saugerties. Owns 70 acres and would like to put single-family housing on same. They are asking the board for help in zoning change in a timely manner.

Susan Bolitzer - Keyser property has been purchased to go hand-in-hand with Esopus Creek. Susan wanted to thank the board for their support and willingness to plan for the future. It will be referred to as the Esopus Bend Nature Preserve.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Tom Macarille – read statement regarding landfill changes before the public spoke.

Jim Fowler – Requesting his letter appointing him to the Economic Development Committee. Also, concerned about the deterioration of PVI Bridge (Glasco Turnpike).

Eric Tietjen – stated his affordable housing would be the same as they are building in the Town of Ulster.

Carl Boxtie – concerned about increased fees for the landfill, feels there should have been a referendum; works for RRA.

Michael Catalinotto – there has been secrecy as to fines imposed against the town for violations; unpleasant things must be brought out in public instead of hidden.

Marge Brown – spoke about the Glasco/Malden water/sewer letter and additional bill that was left off tax bill; felt letter should have been sent immediately.

Bill Washburn – feels more garbage will be dumped on back roads because of landfill changes.

Robert Hartrum – drainage over in Barclay Heights area is not working.

Bill Scala – HITS project still has open ends and he wants answers regarding questions.

Ginny Davies – concerned about garbage being dumped along road now. It has the peoples' names in the garbage bag, but they are not held accountable.

David Radavanovic - landfill should get scales; limit restrictions to citizens.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the Pre-Board minutes of February 18, 2004, Town Board minutes of February 18, 2004, and Special Town Board minutes of February 26, 2004. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

General Fund	\$110,691.35
General Outside Village	56,808.02
Special Revenue Fund	59.50
Highway Townwide	44,233.25
Highway Outside Village	29,428.43
Ambulance Fund	37,593.00
Lighting District	3,559.81
Barclay Heights Sewer	62,778.60
Glasco Sewer	12,225.14
Malden Sewer	2,359.31
Glasco Water	211,386.89
Malden Water	13,463.61

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

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Complete reports are on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Macarille - Nothing to report.

Councilwoman Thornton – Library has a program on March 14, 2004, Ferries on the Hudson.

Councilman Costello – read letter complimenting ice rink personnel. **Councilman Tucker** – Charlie Merritt billed the town for a sewer project \$4,000.00 less than expected.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Macarille to approve a Certificate of Registration for Gary Mecabe of Kingston to install water hook-ups in the Town of Saugerties Sewer District.

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve a Certificate of Registration for Ray Mayone Construction, Inc., of Glasco to install water hook-ups in the Town of Saugerties Sewer District. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve a Certificate of Registration for Daniel Riozzi of Saugerties to install water hook-ups in the Tow of Saugerties Sewer District.

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Macarille to approve a Certificate of Registration for B. Murphy Plumbing & Heating, Inc. of Saugerties to install water hook-ups in the Town of Saugerties Sewer District. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to accept with regret a letter of resignation from part-time police officer Frederick Lamey effective February 27, 2004.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Macarille to authorize the regulation of "No Parking" in the hamlet of Glasco as per the Town of Saugerties Municipal Code, Article III Section 60.33 at the following locations: Liberty Street from Main Street to Delaware Street on both the east and west sides. In addition, further regulate "No Parking Here to Corner" at the following locations: Main Street on north side 100 feet east and west of Liberty Street; Main Street on south side 100 feet east and west of Liberty Street Extension; Liberty Street Extension 50 feet south of Main Street on both east and west sides AND in doing so is at the recommendation of the Town Superintendent of Highways. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Discussion: Pete Cafaldo, Fire Chief of Glasco spoke about the difficulty getting the trucks out of the firehouse with cars parked too close.

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Macarille to authorize the Town Clerk to schedule a public hearing pertaining to the changeover from units to usage in the Glasco Sewer District on Tuesday, April 6, 2004 at 6:00 pm at the Frank D. Greco Senior Center.

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the application for a memorial recognition request for a tree and plaque to be placed at the Women's Softball Field at the Cantine Sports Complex in memory of Amy Johnson, as per the recommendation of the Town of Saugerties Recreation Committee from a proposal sponsored and submitted by Raymond Tucker.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to appoint Susan Bolitzer to the Comprehensive Planning Board effective immediately.

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Tucker to retain the services of Rebecca Lubin Land Use Planning Inc. to work with the Town's Comprehensive Planning Board on Gateway and Waterfront Overlay amendments and other related topics.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes, 1 Abstention (Councilman Macarille abstained)

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Macarille to accept bid on new mid-size pick-up truck from Sawyer Motors who came in at the lowest bid of \$19,966.00 as was opened by the Highway Superintendent on March 9, 2004.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes, 1 Abstention (Councilman Tucker abstained)

Discussion: Councilman Tucker abstained since he is employed by Sawyer Motors. Five bid proposals were sent out, one was received by the Clerk's Office for the bid opening.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, March 24, 2004 - Pre-board 6:00 pm Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm, carried.			
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