

PRE-BOARD MEETING – DECEMBER 16, 2015

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at 6:30 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:

Councilman William Schirmer
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello
Councilman James Bruno
Supervisor Greg Helmsmoortel

We will be moving a motion forward to accept and pass Local Law #2 of 2015.

Changes with the Transfer Station are on the agenda. 2015 stickers will be honored until further notice.

Town Clerk

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Councilman William Schirmer
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello
Councilman James Bruno
Supervisor Greg Helmsmoortel

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR: none

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Lanny Walter – interested in the Bristol Beach matter, please keep information coming.

Chris Allen – thanked the town board for sending a letter to the legislature and they in turn sent a letter requesting the Thruway Authority as lead agency; may do objective analysis.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

A Public Hearing was held this evening and we are forwarding motion to the agenda for approval regarding additional duties for the Receiver of Taxes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on November 18, 2015 and Special Workshop Meeting on November 23, 2015 regarding Solar, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General fund	\$252,729.59
General Outside Village	8,530.91
Highway	80,984.95
Capital Projects	484,376.50
Ambulance District	49,486.09
Lighting District	6,007.70
Barclay Heights Sewer	45,699.07
Glasco Sewer	3,871.84
Malden Sewer	12,497.22
Kings Highway Sewer	3,943.79
Glasco Water	127,786.10
Malden Water	18,609.83
Kings Highway Water	2,915.80
Trust & Agency	14,850.00

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Schirmer – gave the November 2015 Water & Sewer report. Barclay Heights water tank has been re-filled; tank needs to be painted. Water & Sewer Advisory meeting is cancelled for December.

Councilwoman Thornton – TV23 met last week, five people attended training and we are negotiating the contract with Time Warner in the near future.

Councilman Costello – congratulations to our Chief of Police for being voted 2016 President of Mid-Hudson Valley Chief Association and to the department for successful raids recently. Improvements to the grandstands have started, which is being paid for by the owners of the Saugerties Stallions.

Councilman Bruno – gave Building report for November 2015.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Chief Sinagra – gave monthly report. A pilot program has started for body worn cameras. Only one other agency uses them, being the Village of Ellenville. New Year’s Eve celebration will take place at Main and Partition Streets from 10:30 to 12:30, stay local and be safe.

Greg Chorvas – some more components at Small World Playground had to be removed. Holiday on Ice is this weekend. Relay for Life had a successful fundraiser last weekend. Extend thanks to the town board for continued support. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Doug Myer has had heart surgery and expects to be back January 2016.

Councilman Costello added that Officer O’Keefe will be deploying shortly, please keep him in your thoughts and prayers. The Chief said that one officer has just returned and possibly another one is leaving.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to set a public hearing of January 20, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. regarding extending the term of office of the Superintendent of Highways from 2 to 4 years.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve Local Law 2 of 2015 to Extend the Duties of the Receiver of Taxes.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the resolution regarding the change in hours of operation of the Transfer Station and abolishment of positions at the Transfer Station.

Discussion: Councilman Bruno said starting January it will be open Tuesdays and Saturdays. The town will save \$64,000.00 and will not be charged for roll-offs.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to approve an annual stipend of \$8,500.00 which will be pro-rated monthly for Doug Myer, Superintendent of Highways to manage the Transfer Station, effective December 1, 2015.

Discussion: Councilman Bruno said this is a similar set up as Town of Ulster.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the contract, as on file, between the Town of Saugerties and Liberta Bros., Inc. pertaining to the Transfer Station.

Discussion: Councilman Bruno said this is instead of RRA.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the proposed facility use fees, on file, effective December 17, 2015 for facility use commencing January 1, 2016, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Discussion: Councilman Costello said this will off-set the cost of operation.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the proposed facility use fees, as on file, for the Kiwanis Ice Arena, effective December 17, 2015 for the 2016 – 2017 Ice Season, along with the 2016 Non-Ice Season, as per the recommendation of the Ice Arena Director and the Parks & Building Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Schirmer authorizing Superintendent of Highways Douglas F. Myer to apply \$39,900.00 from the sale of surplus equipment to Town of Saugerties Highway Department Line Item DBO 3-5130.423 Vehicle & Equipment R & M.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schirmer, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the resolutions, as on file, accepting dedication of road from Donald G. Feistamel and Theresa J. Feistamel on the condition that a \$10,000.00 title insurance policy will be issued in favor of the town prior to the end of this year.

Discussion: Supervisor Helmoortel clarified that this is Terry Drive.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the 2016 DWI Crackdown Enforcement Agreement, as on file, between the Town of Saugerties and Ulster County, per the recommendation of the Chief of Police.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the 2016 DWI Task Force Agreement, as on file, between the Town of Saugerties and Ulster County, per the recommendation of the Chief of Police

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to approve the resolution, as on file, regarding applying for a grant with Greenway for the Bristol Beach Park project.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve Barton & LoGuidice, DPC (B&L) assisting the Town of Saugerties with the completion of a 2015 Hudson River Estuary Grant Application for the Bristol Beach Park Improvements Project.

Discussion: Supervisor Helsmoortel said \$2,500.00 fee and \$3,500.00 fee is coming out of Economic Development fund. Councilwoman Thornton did a walking field trip and was part of the bio-diversity study. We have been asking the state for many years and a recent meeting was successful.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Bruno to adjourn Town Board Meeting at 7:40 p.m., carried.

The Town Board wishes everyone Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Monday, December 21, 2015 Workshop on Solar 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 6, 2016 Organizational Meeting 7:00 p.m.

Town Clerk