PRE-BOARD MEETING – OCTOBER 4, 2023

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023 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:

Councilwoman Peg Nau Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton Councilman Mike Ivino Councilman Zach Horton Supervisor Fred Costello

The Town Board entered into Executive Session to discuss the financial history of a particular person at 6:43 p.m., carried. Exited Executive Session at 7:14 p.m.

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TOWN BOARD MEETING – OCTOBER 4, 2023

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, October 4, 2023 at 7:14 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:

Councilwoman Peg Nau Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton Councilman Mike Ivino Councilman Zach Horton Supervisor Fred Costello

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Mary O'Donnell, Climate Smart Task Force – Open Space Plan & Natural Resources Inventory the town should consider up-dating the natural resource inventory and open space plan. Ulster County is working on this on a County level. We are trying to re-certify at the Bronze level.

Marjorie Leopold , Housing Smart Communities Task Force – spoke regarding ADU grant program

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Ahmand Khadra – concerned about Route 9W and Malden Turnpike intersection; people have been killed. Please look into finding a remedy.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

Congratulations to Kiwanis, Parks & Rec and police department on the recent Garlic Festival. Another successful year!

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on September 20, 2023, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$569,698.33
General Outside Village	48,618.14
Highway	246,468.99
Capital Projects	22,175.77
Ambulance District	241,388.82
Lighting District	33,795.88
Sewer O&M	124,037.26
Water O&M	245,146.52
Trust & Agency	8,059.22
Central Hudson	16,618.27

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Greg Chorvas – recently sold three surplus pieces of equipment; new truck should be coming shortly. Garlic Festival was a success, several vendors sold out. Some bizarre incidents did happen and individuals were arrested. On-site parking totaled 2,492 cars this year.

Alvah Weeks – report is on file at the Town Clerk's Office

Raymond Mayone – winding down with blacktop. If residents are able, please clean culverts next to your property. New 6 wheel trucks have arrived.

Elly Monfett – bid opening tomorrow for the new animal shelter. We are looking for more staff and thankful for our volunteers. We are also low on supplies.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Nau – nothing to report

Councilwoman Thornton – TV23 meets next week; library has events coming up; 10/8 Mum Festival; 10/13 Food Truck Festival; 10/29 Touch-a-Truck; CPC met with town planner regarding agri-tourism.

Councilman Ivino – Diaz has their new ambulance in service; benefit raised about \$50,000.00 Councilman Horton – success and great time at the Garlic Festival; Rob Kleemann has shared a vision with the Ice Rink, looking forward to it.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Horton to accept the resignation of Officer John P. Monaghan, effective October 5, 2023. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to hire Thomas T. Dimino as a full time Motor Equipment Operator to fill the vacancy for the Highway Department at a rate of pay of \$27.67 per hour, effective October 9, 2023 as per the recommendation of Raymond Mayone, Highway Superintendent. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Supervisor Costello to hire Nicholas G. Ivino, Jr. as a full time Motor Equipment Operator to fill the vacancy for the Highway Department at a rate of pay of \$27.67 per hour, effective October 5, 2023 as per the recommendation of Raymond Mayone, Highway Superintendent. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve a mass gathering permit for Oz Farm LLC, Jennifer LeRoy at 280 Malden Turnpike, Saugerties, NY 12477 for October 29, 2023 starting at 11:00 a.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve the resolution, as on file, to authorize the Supervisor of the Town of Saugerties to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Ulster County Sheriff's Office pertaining to the transfer of custody of arrestees for arraignment before the Ulster County Centralized Arraignment Part located at the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that a courtroom has been built in the UC Jail with the County bearing the cost; Judges will make themselves available one or two times per year.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve an annual stipend of \$5,200.00 for Building Inspector Sean Weaver retroactive to September 7, 2023 for acquiring the title of DEC Certified Erosion Sediment Control Officer to do the required annual work associated with MS-4 to make the town compliant every year. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve Sean Weaver to the position of Provisional Building Inspector at current rate of pay pending Civil Service Exam with additional pay increase upon passing exam. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve Kathleen Cappello to the position of Provisional Municipal Code Aide at current rate of pay pending Civil Service Exam with additional pay increase upon passing exam. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve a stipend of \$150.00 weekly retroactive to August 7, 2023 for Kathleen Cappello until the successful hiring of another Clerk for the Building Department. Vote: Adopted – 3 Yes (Councilwoman Nau & Councilman Horton voting No)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Nau to approve a curfew of 8:00 p.m. for Halloween, October 31, 2023 for the Town of Saugerties. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve setting a public hearing date of November 1, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. pertaining to exceeding the 2% tax cap. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve setting a public hearing date of November 1, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. pertaining to the 2024 Budget. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilman Horton to approve setting two public hearings of November 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. and December 5, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. regarding proposed amendments to the Town of Saugerties Zoning Law pertaining to signs. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to add to the Parks & Buildings part time call out list, Austin Buley at a rate of \$16.00/hour per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent. Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Horton to approve hiring Bryan Antonio Nunez as a part time Police Officer at a pay rate of \$25.00 per hour, effective October 16, 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to adjourn Town Board Meeting at 8:45 p.m., carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, October 18, 2023	Pre-Board Meeting Town Board Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 25, 2023	2024 Budget Workshop	5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, November 1, 2023	Public Hearing Exceed the 2% Tax Cap	6:00 p.m.
	Public Hearing 2024 Budget	6:30 p.m.
	Pre-Board Meeting Town Board Meeting	following hearings 7:00 p.m.

*November 1st meetings will take place at town hall in the Building Department area due to early voting at the senior center.

Wednesday, November 15, 2023	Public Hearing 6:00 p Proposed Amendments to TOS	
	Zoning Law Pertaining to	Signs
	Pre-Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
	Town Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, December 5, 2023	Public Hearing	5:30 p.m.
	Proposed Amendments to TOS	

	Zoning Law Pertaining to Signs		
Wednesday, December 13, 2023	Pre-Board Meeting Town Board Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	
	Town Board Meeting	7.00 p.m.	

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