

PRE-BOARD MEETING – SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at the Frank D. Greco Multi-Purpose Building located at the corner of Market and Robinson Streets in the Village of Saugerties with the following members present:

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

The board was unanimous in eliminating one executive session and to move three motions forward, which will be done at the end of the meeting.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, September 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Frank D. Greco Multi-Purpose Building located at 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 Maclsaac
Councilman John Schoonmaker
Supervisor Fred Costello

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR: Police Department to discuss K-9

Cpt. Steve Filak said that a K-9 presence is very important and is of no cost to the taxpayers, all the pieces to the puzzle are in place. One K-9 equals three police officers in the line of duty. Officer Rushkoski said a K-9 team is more effective and a deterrent when you take a drug dog into a school. He has been part of a K-9 team for several years and has seen the good that it does for the town. Officer Culver has 14 years of experience in training dogs and working with cadaver, trail, scent and drug dogs. She has seen the benefits of giving a family closure in finding loved ones. The police department wanted to come before the board to explain the need for keeping another K-9 unit in the department.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Bob Dederick – after the 4th of July parade, there was nothing to eat at Cantine Field. A good idea would have been to have food trucks and the traffic was unbearable. Also, if there is an increase in taxes for K-9, board should consider eliminating the position. Supervisor Costello said this was the first year that the Lions Organization took over July 4th and they will most likely consider expanding festivities.

Drew Wood – asked about digital road signs, are they legal or how can we get them legalized? Supervisor Costello said there was not a clear determination in previous discussion. Councilman Andreassen said to be patient, digital signs may become accessible for non-profits.

Arthur Green – pleased that the Town Board is taking an active part in up-dating the zoning on Kings Highway. There are too many vacant buildings; under-utilized piece of land.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

Congratulations to the Saugerties Youth Football League and flag football at Glasco. They had their openers with record attendance!

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on August 15, 2018 and Bid Opening on August 23, 2018 regarding Highway, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$204,773.78
General Outside Village	12,321.59
Highway	122,423.61
Ambulance District	60,678.33
Lighting District	32.01
Barclay Heights Sewer	3,117.76
Glasco Sewer	7,651.87
Malden Sewer	3,818.58
Kings Highway Sewer	736.33
Glasco Water	5,672.12
Malden Water	2,011.67

Kings Highway Water	408.87
Bluestone Park Water	753.64

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Greg Chorvas – three youth football fields are being utilized at Glasco with 210 participants. Tennis courts are open and underground electric is being worked on. Memorial ceremony for 9-11 will take place at 6:30 p.m. at Cantine.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Andreassen – three water main breaks have occurred recently. Solar farm may go in on Churchland Road.

Councilwoman Thornton – September 6th is the library vote from 10-8:00 p.m.; CPC workshop was held last night; TV23 has training happening and Boys & Girls Club will hold their fundraiser on October 24th at 5:00 p.m. for the Steak and Burger.

Councilman Maclsaac – Community Smart is working on a website; CAC is working on one year moratorium against fossil fuel burning; attended ZBA and department head meeting. There is no noise ordinance in effect for the Town of Saugerties, we will look into that.

Councilman Schoonmaker – food truck festival will take place September 11 starting at 4:30 p.m.; Shout Out Saugerties – check out events on their website; HPC will meet at town hall on September 17 at 5:00 p.m.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to accept the resignation of police dispatcher Alexis O’Connor, effective August 3, 2018.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Supervisor Costello to accept the resignation of Ryan Coon from the Highway Department, effective September 4, 2018.

Discussion: Doug Myer said he is taking a job with the City of Kingston as second in command. Supervisor Costello added that Ryan has helped with a number of projects, wish him the best.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Supervisor Costello authorizing the hiring of Jacob R. Dodd effective September 10, 2018 to fill the vacant position of “Laborer” created by the resignation of Ryan Coon on September 4, 2018 at a starting rate of \$20.40 per hour as per the Teamster MOA signed on October 3, 2016.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to approve the BRAKING AIDS ride (bike ride) to be held on September 15, 2018 which will travel through Saugerties.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the 50 Miles More March to be held on October 17 through 21, 2018 which will travel through Saugerties.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello said this is organized by youth for school safety.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Maclsaac to approve, as on file, the Communications Solution Proposal between Spectrum Enterprise and the Town of Saugerties.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello said we are negotiating for a better rate for communications service.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to add to the part time call out list, Lauren A. Farris at a rate of \$13.00 per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to set a public hearing date of October 3, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. regarding the Ethics and Disclosure Law.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Andreassen authorizing the Town of Saugerties Supervisor to enter into a permanent easement for access to Mount Marion dam for the Mount Marion Dam Project, as on file.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Supervisor Costello authorizing the Town of Saugerties Highway Superintendent to enter into temporary construction easements for the Mount Marion Dam Project, as on file.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Supervisor Costello approving bid selection and contract agreement between the Town of Saugerties and Bast-Hatfield Construction, LLC, relative to the Town of Saugerties' New York Rising Community Reconstruction Program, Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Parks Restoration: Mount Marion Dam Project.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello said Bast-Hatfield submitted the lowest bid out of several bids. Construction should begin October 1st.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Councilman Maclsaac to enter into Executive Session for matters to be discussed in relation to pending litigation at 8:28 p.m., carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to exit Executive Session and adjourn Town Board Meeting at 9:30 p.m., carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, September 19, 2018

Pre-Board Meeting

6:30 p.m.

Town Board Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Town Clerk