

PRE-BOARD MEETING – DECEMBER 14, 2022

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 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 Leanne Thornton
Councilman Mike Ivino
Councilman Zach Horton
Supervisor Fred Costello

Discussion regarding buying out police cars from the current leases; leases expire before the end of this month. Councilman Ivino believes that rescue plan funds should not be used to buy out vehicles. The Chief has outstanding revenues coming back and may be able to do this out of current budget. Gary Newkirk feels it's important to use AARPA money on specific items. Councilman Ivino would also like to see all up-keep on town vehicles to be done at the highway department.

Councilwoman Thornton spoke about a recent STAC meeting regarding safety issue on Kings Highway corridor. Barb Budik is also asking for town board support with doing a study on traffic with the County. SAMA study is not relevant anymore. There is considerable funding available.

Supervisor Costello and the town board are in agreement to move two motions forward on the agenda.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – DECEMBER 14, 2022

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at 7:20 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 was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance with the following members present:

Councilwoman Peg Nau
Councilwoman Leanne Thornton
Councilman Mike Ivino
Councilman Zach Horton

Supervisor Fred Costello

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Kai Lord-Farmer – gave presentation regarding Ulster County Housing Smart Communities Initiative.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Brandon Schiller – asked about the proposed local law regarding wood processing and sawmills. On the agenda, there is a motion to extend to two more public hearings; what did the County recommend? Would like to move forward with current local law.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

Congratulate Westchester Medical Center for their new facility in Kingston, it is a state-of-the art building. Many thanks to Sawyer Motors and Saugerties Police Department for Holiday in the Village with the First Responder Toy Drive.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on November 16, 2022, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the bills as presented, carried.

General Fund	\$88,410.33
General Outside Village	6,947.84
Highway	43,902.38
Capital Projects	3,800.00
Ambulance District	109,889.84
Sewer O&M	1,460.03
Water O&M	521.29

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Chief Sinagra – overnight parking restrictions are in effect. Wish everyone a very Happy Holiday!

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Nau – nothing to report

Councilwoman Thornton – Stephanie has retired from the Library and they need volunteers to read to the little ones. TV23 will be holding a public hearing with Charter agreement. CPC is working on zoning definitions.

Councilman Ivino – nothing to report

Councilman Horton – nothing to report

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve Sustainable Comfort, Inc., 639 North Salina Street, Syracuse, NY 13208 at 315-552-9060 as a Certified Energy Code Compliance Inspector per the International Energy Conservation Code.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve Kevin McKiernan of Home Energy Connection, 205 Seward Place, Schenectady, NY 12305 at 518-265-7721 as a Certified Energy Code Compliance Inspector per the International Energy Conservation Code of 2015 for the Specialized Inspector List.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to appoint Councilman Mike Ivino as a marriage officer for the Town of Saugerties for the remainder of the year 2022 and for the year 2023.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that Councilman Ivino has been asked to preside at a marriage and this is only relevant for the Town of Saugerties.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Ivino abstain)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to set a public hearing for 6:00 p.m. on January 18, 2023 pertaining to the Franchise Agreement with Charter Communications.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to set public hearings for January 18, 2023 and February 8, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. pertaining to special use permit requirements for lumber and wood processing facilities.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to rescind the following motions from the November 16, 2022 agenda: Motion to move Officer Jackie Zhang from a Reserve Officer to a part time Police Officer, effective December 1, 2022, at the rate of \$21.50 an hour.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to move Officer Jackie Zhang from a Reserve Officer to a part time Police Officer, effective December 1, 2022 at the rate of \$25.00 an hour.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Supervisor Costello to terminate dispatcher Amber Taft, effective December 14, 2022.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to hire Jonathan Lichtenberg as a Reserve Police Officer, effective December 16, 2022.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the resolution, as on file, regarding the Ulster County Housing Smart Communities Initiative. Discussion: Councilwoman Thornton added that the public would be involved in the first phase. Councilman Horton said that a lot of information was given tonight and would like to offer to go to a public hearing. Supervisor Costello said that the first step would be to establish a committee and make it what would work best for our town. Councilman Ivino said that at first he was skeptical but this gives us an opportunity.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton abstain)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolution, available upon request, pertaining to (3) three unmarked police vehicles for utilization by the police department's detective division.

Discussion: Councilman Ivino said that they always go to Greg Chorvas and Chief Sinagra for help with the budget and they always come through, thank you.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilman Ivino to allow the supervisor to sign, as on file, the DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaign Agreement between the Town of Saugerties and Ulster County.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolution, as on file, pertaining to the Authorization to Execute Engineering Planning Grant Agreement.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello clarified that Malden wastewater will benefit by improvements.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve, as on file, the Information Security Policy.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve, as on file, the Password Policy.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Horton to approve, as on file, the IT Security Breach Notification Policy.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve, as on file, the Information Technology Disaster Recovery Policy.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve, as on file, the Contract of Service regarding the Saugerties Arts Commission and Sidekick Visual-Bryana Devine Rosato.

Discussion: Councilwoman Nau added that several items are included in the Contract.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolution, as on file to extend the length of certain town roads listed on the local highway inventory in the Town of Saugerties.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Horton to approve the schedule of Facility Use Fees for 2023 (on file) as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the 2023 schedule of pay rates (on file) for Parks & Buildings Summer Youth Recreation Program, Seasonal, Part Time, Temporary and Security Staffing, not covered in the Non-Represented

