

PRE-BOARD MEETING – JULY 12, 2023

The Pre-Board Meeting was held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 12, 2023 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 Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Mike Ivino
Councilman Zach Horton
Supervisor Fred Costello

Absent: Councilwoman Peg Nau

Discussion was held regarding PILOT on The Mill with a 25 year renewal. Even though it is a village property, our Assessor would handle this.

Agreement to remove three motions from the agenda and add two different ones.

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to enter Executive Session to discuss employment of a particular person at 6:35 p.m., carried.

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilman Ivino to exit Executive Session at 6:59 p.m., carried.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – JULY 12, 2023

The Town Board Meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 12, 2023 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 Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Mike Ivino
Councilman Zach Horton
Supervisor Fred Costello

Absent: Councilwoman Peg Nau

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR: none

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Dennis Woods – recently saw a retired K9 up for adoption with Ulster County Canines and Adam Saunders. When asked questions about the dog, found out that it should be someone who was experienced with a retired K9; had 3 different handlers in a 5 year span of time. The dog bit his hand, unprovoked, but does not want to file a dangerous dog report. The dog should not be put down but raised in a home where they know how to handle him.

Suzanne Bennett – would like to ask about rejection of request for funding for Shout Out Saugerties organization. This group has done great work and wondered why we are left out of receiving money.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting of June 14, 2023 and Bid Opening of June 22, 2023, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$222,879.32
General Outside Village	10,865.98
Highway	70,589.61
Capital Projects	19,682.89
Ambulance District	105,341.94
Lighting District	135,756.25
Sewer O&M	185,817.96
Trust & Agency	39,984.33
Central Hudson	16,406.44

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Ray Mayone – completed lower Bigelow Road infrastructure and will start on upper part.

Chief Sinagra – subscribe to Crime Watch page to stay up to date.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Thornton – check library website; Boys & Girls Club Golf Tournament is August 7 at Wiltwyck. STAC met recently and installing 23 new bus shelters in Ulster County.

Councilman Ivino – Diaz received a new ambulance; along with Councilman Horton, we are working on amendments to STR.

Councilman Horton – thank you to Greg Chorvas and Mark Malgieri for support to fund and update Jaycee Field.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to accept the resignation of School Crossing Guard Karen Ranford, effective June 24, 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to accept the retirement of Erik Thiele from the Saugerties Police Department, effective August 26, 2023.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that he had a distinguished career, we wish him well.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Ivino to authorize John Greco, attorney for the Town of Saugerties to commence and prosecute an action in NYS Supreme Court on behalf of the Town of Saugerties seeking damages and an injunction directing Derek Winnie to remove the storage containers located on property owned or controlled by Derek Winnie which are in violation of the Town Code of the Town of Saugerties.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Horton to accept the resignation of Acting Tax Receiver Jill Zarccone, effective June 23, 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve a yearly stipend of \$20,800.00 for Acting Tax Receiver Diane Friedmann which took effect on June 26, 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to appoint Andrew Rein to the Saugerties Arts Commission for the remainder of 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to accept the bid for demolition from Washington Estates Transport at 51 Josephine Avenue, Rosendale, NY 12472 for the property located at 1099 Kings Highway in Saugerties, NY with SBL#28.2-2-14.

Discussion: Councilman Ivino said they tried with the current owner, but are left with no choice.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to hire Darian Wood as a part time “as needed” Clerk for the Highway Department at a rate of \$20.00 per hour, effective June 26, 2023 and as recommended by the Highway Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to accept the resignation of Kenneth Gsell from the Highway Department, with his last day of employment being June 30, 2023, as per Raymond Mayone, Highway Superintendent.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello and Ray Mayone said he will be missed; he was a pleasure to work with.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello authorizing Superintendent of Highways Raymond Mayone to declare surplus and no longer of use to the Town of Saugerties, one (1) 1990 International 490 Broom Truck VIN#1HTSDZ3R8LH264877, and to dispose it via Auctions International.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton authorizing Superintendent of Highways Raymond Mayone to declare surplus and no longer of use to the Town of Saugerties, one (1) 2005 Ford F350 XL Super Duty V8 Cab & Chassis VIN#1FDWF37PX5EA66056, and to dispose it via Auctions International.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Horton to add Sha’nique Ryan to the list of Summer Youth Recreation Program Staff at a rate of \$15.00/hr. as per the recommendation of the Summer Youth Recreation Program Director and the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilman Ivino to add to the Summer Recreation Programs Staff Waiting List Madalyn Dodig, Titipat Hoypakwen and Kenneth

Wamsley, as per the recommendation of the Summer Youth Recreation Program Director and the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to add to the Parks & Buildings Security and part time call out list David Madieri at a rate of \$17.00, per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolution, as on file, pertaining to a FOIL Appeal.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolution, as on file, authorizing the Town of Saugerties Highway Superintendent to purchase a 10 wheel Dump Truck Model year 2025 for no more than \$300,000.00 under a bid from Onondaga County Contract #0010914.

Discussion: Ray Mayone explained that there is a delay on parts and everything is backordered.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolution, as on file, in regards to a Consolidated Funding Application (CFA).

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton approve, the resolution, as on file of the Council Members of the Town of Saugerties authorizing the executive of a Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILOT) Agreement by and among the Town of Saugerties, Mill at Saugerties Housing Development Fund Company, Inc. and East Bridge Street Associates LP and certain ancillary actions required order to effectuate same.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello explained that this is a pre-existing affordable housing.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolution, as on file, urging the NYS Legislature and Governor Kathy Hochul to draft and enact legislation regarding a voter's identification process.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello is not supporting this because his mother does not have a NYS drivers license and does not have a photo ID. Councilman Horton said that the county would issue an ID.

Vote: Councilwoman Thornton & Councilman Horton vote Yes; Councilwoman Nau absent and Supervisor Costello & Councilman Ivino vote No.

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Horton to approve the Shared Services Agreement, as on file, between the Town of Saugerties and the Town of Woodstock.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to set a public hearing date of July 25, 2023 at 5:00 pm regarding Changing the Manner of Selecting the Receiver of Taxes from Elected to Appointed.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Horton to set a public hearing date of July 25, 2023 at 5:30 pm regarding Assigning Additional Powers & Duties to the Receiver of Taxes & Assessments.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve a firework permit for Kevin Fritschler of American Fireworks Display LLC for a fireworks display at Cantine Field on July 15, 2023 to begin after the Stallions baseball game about 10 pm and pending the appropriate signatures needed on the permit.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilman Ivino to freeze and suspend any and all hiring of any position for the Saugerties Police Department as well as freezing any and all promotions until further notice.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Nau absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to adjourn Town Board Meeting at 8:23 p.m., carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Tuesday, July 25, 2023	Public Hearing	5:00 p.m.
	Receiver of Taxes Elected to Appointed	
	Public Hearing	5:30 p.m.
	Additional Duties for Receiver of Taxes	
	Workshop	6:00 p.m.
	Lodging & Event Regulations	
Wednesday, August 16, 2023	Pre-Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.

Town Board Meeting

7:00 p.m.

The meeting was closed in memory of Geraldine Spada and Rosemary Bach.

Town Clerk