

**TOWN BOARD MEETING – MAY 5, 2021**

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, May 5, 2021 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:

Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton  
Councilwoman Peg Nau  
Councilman John Schoonmaker  
Councilman Mike Ivino  
Supervisor Fred Costello

**PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:** none

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** none

**SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:**

DEC has public comment open on turbidity dump; the board encourages people to do that because when the comment period is over it could not be reopened for 10 years. Please participate in CCA to encourage savings and energy market. Residents will have option to “opt out”; there are ten communities in the Hudson Valley participating.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on April 21, 2021; Public Hearing on April 21, 2021 regarding EV Charging Stations and two Bid Openings on April 29, 2021 for roofs on Malden and Glasco Wastewater Facilities, carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

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

General Fund	\$240,786.75
General Outside Village	8,606.10
Highway	39,834.40
Capital Projects	344.21
Ambulance District	66,326.58

Lighting District	21,548.13
Sewer O&M	20,888.18
Water O&M	5,722.55

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:** none

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilwoman Nau – Saugerties Arts held a meeting on April 30, 2021, interesting thoughts to share.

Councilwoman Thornton – 16+ year old residents may get vaccine at the old Best Buy. Library has backyard birds information; Shout Out had an event this past Saturday at the Saugerties Beach, thank you. Boys & Girls Club Auction will be May 21 at Diamond Mills virtual and in-person. CPC met last week and hope to present new zoning for Kings Highway; CCA letters going out to explain going green.

Councilman Ivino – ZBA meets June 7; Water & Sewer received new roof bids.

Councilman Schoonmaker – fallen heros monument will be ready this fall; AYSO numbers have doubled; Pickle Ball courts will be installed at no cost to the taxpayers; States will be held at Cantine again; HPC has a meeting scheduled for May 17, 2021.

**MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to accept the resignation of Jeanne Goldberg from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello is heavy hearted about this, Jeanne balanced needs and wants and taught how to be a better resident. Councilwoman Thornton added that her ability to look at things objectively is a special talent and gave so much over 20 years. Councilman Ivino said it was a pleasure to work with her, salt of the earth and wish her the best. Councilman Schoonmaker said it was a pleasure to get to know Jeanne, it will be a big void to fill, thank you for all the years. Councilwoman Nau witnessed Jeanne in action, thank you! Jeanne thanked the Supervisor and Town Board and acknowledged all ZBA members particularly Dick Conley and Joe Roberti, could not have done it without all. Thank you to Patti Kelly for jumping in!

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the proclamation, as on file, in regard to Jeanne Goldberg.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Supervisor Costello to accept the resignation of Steve Hubbard from the Comprehensive Planning Committee.

Discussion: Councilwoman Thornton explained that after the retirement of Pat Fitzsimmons, Steve took over as Chair, thank you for your service.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to move Zechariah Snyder from the position of Motor Equipment Operator to the position of Heavy Motor Equipment Operator at a rate of pay of \$26.78 per hour as per the recommendation of the Highway Superintendent.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that Zech has earned this position on merit and seniority.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the resolution, as on file, regarding the 2020 MS4 Annual Report.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to approve Yacov Fogel from Supreme Green Energy, 15 Hayes Court #314, Monroe, NY 10950 as a Certified Energy Code Compliance Inspector per the International Energy Conservation Code.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Supervisor Costello to authorize the install of four (4) Pickleball Courts, immediately adjacent to the north end of the Tennis Courts, off of Court Drive with no monetary outlay of taxpayer dollars, per the recommendation of the Pickleball Committee, the Recreation Committee and the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello community dedication and hard work has paid off.

Councilwoman Thornton would like to thank Diane Myers especially for spearheading this.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve 2021 Summer Youth Recreation Program Children's Fees (on file), effective May 5, 2021 (early promotional period ends May 14, 2021), as per the recommendation of the Summer Youth Recreation Program Director and the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Ivino to set two public hearing dates with the first one at 6:00 p.m. on May 19, 2021 and the second one at 6:00 p.m. on June 16, 2021 pertaining to the adoption of a local law to amend the Town of Saugerties Zoning Law to amend Chapter 245 of the Town of Saugerties Municipal Code Zoning regarding Changing Message Signs.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello said this is a long debated discussion, people should share concerns.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to adjourn Town Board Meeting at 7:48 p.m., carried.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

<b>Thursday, May 6, 2021</b>	<b>Public Hearing EV Charging Stations</b>	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Wednesday, May 19, 2021</b>	<b>Public Hearing Changing Message Signs</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
	<b>Pre-Board Meeting</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
	<b>Town Board Meeting</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>

*Meeting was closed in memory of Winifred Conifer, Doris Wenger and Catherine Ducker.*

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Town Clerk