

**PRE-BOARD MEETING – JULY 15, 2020**

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. via virtual Webex Meeting with the following members present:

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

Climate Smart has a presentation during Privilege of Floor this evening.

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Town Clerk

**TOWN BOARD MEETING – JULY 15, 2020**

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via virtual Webex Meeting. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance with the following members present:

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

**PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:**

**Mary O’Donnell with the Town’s Conservation Advisory Commission (CAC) & Climate Smart Task Force (CSTF) and Jeff Domanski with Joule regarding Community Choice Aggregation (CCA)** will give savings and cleaner source of energy for residents. Mary has been looking at his for a while and unanimously recommend Joule to the Town Board. A sub-committee was established and used the criteria by NYSERTA. Jeff will work with the town, task force and administration. No taxpayer funds, 100% renewable energy. Jeff is with Hudson Valley Energy, a partner with Joule – Energy Second Language. Three types of renewables – hydro, wind and solar.

**SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:**

We are in Phase 4 of reopening from the Coronavirus but we need to remain diligent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board meeting on June 17, 2020; Public Hearing of June 17, 2020 regarding Residential Code of NYS and Public Hearing of June 17, 2020 regarding No Parking Signs, carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

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

General Fund	\$348,958.05
General Outside Village	14,965.36
Highway	135,790.42
Capital Projects	7,883.25
Lighting District	31.01
Sewer O&M	6,517.90
Water O&M	5,735.08
Central Hudson	13,570.38

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Lauren Marcelo Rugberg, West Saugerties Road – people are parking illegally and the air quality is horrible. There has been a massive influx of people and garbage, something needs to be done.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

Greg Chorvas – on July 6<sup>th</sup>, sports and recreation will be allowed to be held and some games have started. Summer Rec has started with approximately 50 children.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilman Andreassen – fielding calls regarding quarantine and Zoom meetings are being held.

Councilwoman Thornton – applications are available to run for Library Trustee; movie nights are being held at the Library on Saturdays. Boys & Girls Club meeting was held, they have 25-30 children at the club during the day. They will hold a virtual Auction on October 1, 2 & 3, 2020. Check TV 23 for programming. The Town and Village Comprehensive Plan meets via Zoom and the Arts Commission will vote on a new member soon.

Councilman Schoonmaker – more details for the purchasing plan; a lot of committees have not been meeting. Animal Shelter meets and continues to fundraise; they have been able to help people with food for their animals through COVID. Shout Out Saugerties is starting up events and a Police Reform Commission is being formed.

### **MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to approve the Town of Saugerties Town Owned Vehicle Use Policy, as on file.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello complimented Councilman Ivino for working on this written policy. Councilman Ivino added that hopefully this will add more control over what has been done in the past.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Councilman Andreassen to approve a reimbursement of \$350.00 to Immuneschein, LLC (old Fiberflame building on Route 212) for their application and site plan review, per the request of the Planning Board.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve hiring Joseph P. Comito as a Reserve Police Officer, effective July 16, 2020.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the appointment of Yvonne Rojas-Cowan to the Saugerties Arts Commission for 2020.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve three (3) new staff for the Summer Youth Recreation Program, along with two (2) new staff approved to the Waiting List, retroactive to July 6, 2020, joining fifteen (15) previously approved staff, as per the attached “Summer Youth Recreation Program Staff Roster”, and as further per the recommendation of the Summer Youth Recreation Program Director and the Parks and Building Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to approve the retirement of Stephen Sasso from the Highway Department effective July 30, 2020.  
Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that Stephen is a long time employee and will be missed.  
Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to adjourn Town Board Meeting at 8:19 p.m., carried.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

<b>Wednesday, August 12, 2020</b>	<b>Pre-Board Meeting</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
	<b>Town Board Meeting</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>

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*Meeting closed in memory of Cemal Guler (Jimmy the Turk), Joe Riccio, Sr., Joe Sinnott, Marion Vail and Sal Verrastro.*