

PRE-BOARD MEETING – APRIL 17, 2019

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 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:

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

It was agreed by the Town Board to move forward a motion to adopt Local Law 2 of 2019 regarding Historic Preservation Commission to the agenda.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – APRIL 17, 2019

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 7:00 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 opened with the Pledge of Allegiance with the following members present:

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

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Patti Kelly from the Climate Smart Task Force gave a presentation of the Saugerties Municipal Greenhouse Gas Inventory.

Assessor Frank Orlando said the trending for 2019 is comparing sales to assessment. Assessment will increase by 3% on all residential, 3% on all commercial and 5% on village commercial.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Peter Barber, Blue Mountain Church Road – asked what the speed limit is on town roads if it is not posted. Chief Sinagra answered that it is 55 mph. Mr. Barber feels the speed should be lower on Blue Mountain Church Road.

Joe Maloney, UC Legislator – County Resolution #172, to provide officer to Domestic Violence Unit with neighboring town. Town Board should be in on negotiating; Town of Saugerties should not be on the hook for \$50,000.00.

George Heidcamp, Route 32 – concerns with Resolution #172 and spoke with two other legislators from Saugerties - Mary Wawro and Dean Fabiano had conversation with the Supervisor. Why would this be just between Saugerties and Ellenville? If we are short on manpower, how can we afford to take another officer from the schedule? Also, did all five town board members know about this? Supervisor Costello replied that this issue has not come before the town board yet; we will decide if this is right for our town. Councilman Andreassen thinks these issues should be brought to the town board before it goes to the County. Chief Sinagra feels this is being brought up for political grandstanding; Saugerties is the second highest in domestic violence in Ulster County. Always reimburse and assist one another.

Michael Tiano, Glasco Turnpike – traffic light at the four corners is needed. Creaton & Manning conducted a traffic study, which was not accurate.

Lori Murphy, Route 32 – spoke of a crash at the four corners in March of 2019, something needs to be done. Gave petitions, with 1,078+ signatures, to the town board requesting a traffic light be installed at the Glasco Turnpike and Route 32.

Denise Kelder, Glasco Turnpike – if speed limit was enforced, there may be less accidents.

Keith Hughes, Glasco Turnpike – confused how speed changes back and forth on Route 9W and Route 32. What needs to be done to slow people down?

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

Thank you to Patti Kelly and Climate Smart committee, this allows us to save money. We have an electric vehicle in use with our Water & Sewer Department and the police department is getting a hybrid/plug-in vehicle. Green and Clean Days for the town are scheduled for April 20 and 21 and April 27 and 28. Please see the Town Clerk's Office to sign up and get bags.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Andreassen to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on April 3, 2019, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$88,008.06
General Outside Village	14,323.49
Highway	28,123.42
Capital Projects	15,317.50
Lighting District	19,368.64
Sewer O&M	55,506.37
Water O&M	158,619.05
Central Hudson	27,698.14

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Greg Chorvas – Little League held their clean-up day. There will be a bike race on May 4th and Hope Rocks tournament will be held that day also.

Chief Sinagra – gave monthly report; gave certificates to Corey Tome and Christine Geoghegan from UC Stop DWI.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Andreassen – Markertec donated \$51,000.00 to a food bank along with equipment to other agencies. Diaz Ambulances will hold a fundraiser on August 17; inspected Animal Shelter and would like to set up fundraisers to help with improvements. Legion and VFW cleaned up two miles of road. Also, personally will be volunteering for Habitat for Humanity in the Saugerties area.

Councilwoman Thornton – community will hold a Flea Market to benefit fundraising efforts for Small World Playground along with Touch a Truck in September. Library Street Fair will be held in June, check website for more events. Boys & Girls Club fundraiser was held and annual Dinner/Auction is coming up.

Councilman Maclsaac – last meeting before Go Smart Go Green Fair on May 4th.

Councilman Schoonmaker – Shout Out Saugerties announced that Katie Cokinos won the scholarship and there are new events coming up. HPC will set a public hearing on the park in Malden.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Supervisor Costello to adopt the Town of Saugerties Government Operations GHG Inventory as a tool in our efforts to reduce carbon emissions.

Discussion: Councilman Maclsaac thanked all involved, great work!

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to set a public hearing date of May 1, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. regarding Private Rural Roads.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the retirement of Sergeant Brett Rell from the Town of Saugerties Police Department, effective April 23, 2019 and to remain on as part-time officer at a rate of \$21.50 per hour.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello wishes Brett well on future endeavors.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to approve promoting Officer Corey Tome to Sergeant with a stipend of \$4,000.00 as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) between the Town of Saugerties and the Town of Saugerties Policeman's Benevolent Association (PBA), effective April 22, 2019.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that Corey is a long time member and an outstanding leader. Councilman Maclsaac said we need balance between micromanaging and rubber stamping. Councilman Schoonmaker said we had a goal to reduce, which we have done.

Vote: Adopted – 3 Yes (Councilmen Andreassen and Maclsaac voting No)

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Councilman Andreassen to hire Jordan Kilfoyle as a part time police officer at a pay rate of \$21.50 per hour, effective April 18, 2019.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that she was a prior dispatcher for our town.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Supervisor Costello to accept the resignation of Police Officer Joseph Asprea, effective May 1, 2019.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to appoint the following individuals to the newly created Saugerties Art Commission for 2019: Barbara Bravo, Suzanne Bennett, Robert Langdon, Tad Richards, Elizabeth Troxell, Katie Cokinos and Isabel Soffer.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Supervisor Costello to accept the resignation of Michael Sullivan Smith from the Historic Preservation Commission, effective February 28, 2019.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Maclsaac to rescind the motion of March 20, 2019 re-appointing Barry Benepe to the Historic Preservation Commission with a 4 year term to expire on March 31, 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Andreassen to re-appoint Barry Benepe to the Historic Preservation Commission until March 31, 2020 which would fulfill the rest of Michael Sullivan Smith's appointment.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Councilman Andreassen to appoint Alba LaFiandra to serve on the Historic Preservation Commission to fulfill a vacant position with a term to expire on March 31, 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Councilman Andreassen to allow the Supervisor to sign the Professional Services Change Order, as on file, for the 2019 annual sampling at the landfill with The Chazen Companies.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to allow the Supervisor to sign the letter, as on file, in regards to the Companion Animal Capital Fund.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Andreassen to approve the proclamation, as on file, regarding May as American Legion Poppy Month.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Andreassen to approve the proclamation, as on file, regarding May as Building Safety Month.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve Local Law 2 of 2019 Amending Local Law No. 3 of 2004 "Historic Preservation Law" as previously amended by Local Law No. 1 of 2011.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Supervisor Costello to enter into Executive Session for discussions regarding matters leading to the employment of a particular person(s) and current litigation at 8:57 p.m., carried.

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to exit Executive Session and adjourn Town Board Meeting at 10:27 p.m., carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, May 1, 2019

**Public Hearing
Private Rural Roads**

6:00 p.m.

**Pre-Board Meeting
Town Board Meeting**

6:30 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Town Clerk