

PRE-BOARD MEETING – FEBRUARY 8, 2023

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 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 Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Mike Ivino
Supervisor Fred Costello

Absent: Councilman Zach Horton

The following was discussed:

Food trucks

Short Term Rentals

All in favor of withdrawing motion regarding the Arts Commission

Terramore project pulled out on February 8th

If employees want to get paid for time out for Covid, they will need a PCR test and a doctor note to quarantine.

Deputy Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – FEBRUARY 8, 2023

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 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:

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

Absent: Councilman Zach Horton

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR: none

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Stacie Rell – trying to make ends meet with a short term rental but unaware of the law; upset about the letter that was sent out and feels it was handled wrong, has since closed the STR. Supervisor Costello explained what the concerns were that not all owners were courteous of their neighbors. Chief Sinagra answered questions regarding how many police calls were made on STRs.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS: none

APPROVAL OF MINTUES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the minutes of Informational Meeting on January 18, 2023; Public Hearings on January 18, 2023 regarding Cable Agreement and Firefighter’s Exemption; Pre-Board and Town Board meeting on January 18, 2023, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$591,307.54
General Outside Village	51,216.11
Highway	199,201.17
Capital Projects	141,157.16
Ambulance District	63,830.72
Lighting District	29,294.38
Sewer O&M	35,852.61
Malden Sewer	5,659.04
Water O&M	20,995.92
Trust & Agency	2,178.76
Central Hudson	31,257.49

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Greg Chorvas – dog park is getting ready with help from the highway department; cleaning being done and lights replaced and there is grant funding for trails.

Chief Sinagra – grant for body cameras \$20,000.00; recommendations for crime watch to be more transparent of arrests. Please look at our year end report.

Ray Mayone – Platt Clove was closed due to a tractor trailer getting stuck; GPS needs to be updated. Also, starting pipe infrastructure on Churchland Lane.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Thornton – May 19 is a Boys & Girls Club fundraiser; Snow Moon Festival was a success. Lake Placid parade, Saugerties did a great job!

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the hiring of Lindsey M. Jameson as a full time Court Clerk at a pay rate of \$21.80 per hour, effective February 13, 2023

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to promote Officer Christopher Benson to the rank of Sergeant with a weekly stipend of \$108.57, effective February 13, 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to accept the resignation of Al Bruno from the town's Ethics Committee, effective immediately.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to rescind the following motion from the January 18, 2023 town board meeting agenda: to approve the hiring of Joslyn Brown as a part time Tax Clerk at a pay rate of \$20.00 per hour, as per the Tax Receiver Jill Zarcone and effective February 1, 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the hiring of Cathy Lenz as a part time Tax Clerk at a pay rate of \$20.00 per hour, as per the Tax Receiver Jill Zarcone, effective February 9, 2023, on an as-needed basis.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve, as on file, the Proposal for Professional Services between the Town of Saugerties and H2M Architects & Engineers regarding Winston Farm.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve, as on file, the Cable Franchise Agreement between the Town of Saugerties and Charter Communications Inc.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolution, as on file, as Local Law #2 of 2023 authorizing partial exemption from real property taxes for enrolled members of a volunteer fire department or fire company in the Town of Saugerties.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton authorizing Superintendent of Highways, Raymond Mayone to purchase one (1) new 2023 Hyundai HX-85 Excavator via Sourcewell cooperative purchasing contract #032119-HCE in the amount of \$112,122.00 to be paid for from the Highway Department Fund Balance DBO1-911 (this is budgeted for in the 2022 Budget).

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the Town of Saugerties Highway Department entering into a shared services agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation, as per the agreement on file, for a term of two years, effective upon the signature of the Highway Superintendent Raymond Mayone.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to change the hourly pay rate of part time employee Glenn Jones to \$20.00 per hour, effective February 9, 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to change the hourly pay rate of part time employee Kevin Hartrum to \$20.00 per hour, effective February 9, 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Supervisor Costello to suspend all fines related to all late STR applications and permitting process until July 31, 2023.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to declare surplus and no longer of use to the Town of Saugerties two (2) TV23 media racks, along with an

assortment of antiquated media cables, monitors and other non-operable related items, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to declare surplus and no longer of use to the Town of Saugerties two (2) non TV23 media racks, along with twelve (12) portable office partitions and three (3) office chairs, donated years ago by IBM, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to declare surplus and no longer of use to the Town of Saugerties three (3) wooden library bookshelf units, along with a smaller book rack, no longer required at the conclusion of Saugerties Library renting town owned space for their Library operations during reconstruction of present Library, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to dispose of aforementioned equipment/items, per the three (3) motions above, via the most revenue producing means which may include metal salvage reclamation, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to set a public hearing date of March 1, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. for a property maintenance issue at 1099 Kings Highway.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to set a public hearing date of March 1, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. for a property maintenance issue at 14 Doyle's Lane.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Horton absent)

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to enter into Executive Session for matters related to the employment of a particular person at 8:25 p.m., carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to exit Executive Session and adjourn town board meeting at 9:15 p.m., carried.

The meeting was closed in memory of Marie Monaco, Joe Font, Mary Sinnott, Florence Snyder, Carl Sperl, Rich Greco, Paul Pavlovich, Pete Koegel, Suzanne Deak-Wittag, Denis Pitcock.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, March 1, 2023

**Public Hearing
PML – 1099 Kings Highway**

6:00 p.m.

**Public Hearing
PML – 14 Doyle’s Lane**

6:30 p.m.

**Pre-Board Meeting
Town Board Meeting**

**following hearing
7:00 p.m.**

Deputy Town Clerk