

PRE-BOARD MEETING – AUGUST 17, 2005

A Pre-Board meeting was held on August 17, 2005 at the Frank D. Greco Multi-Purpose Building located at the corner of Market and Robinson Streets in the Village of Saugerties with the following members present:

Supervisor Greg Helmoortel
Councilman Tom Macarille
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello, Jr.
ABSENT: Councilman Phil Tucker

The following topics were discussed:

Yvonne Sewall – concerned about Lois Lane property owned by Steven Nilsen. There are deep trenches, stagnant water, dangerous culverts and piping sticking out of ground. Town should step in and have Mr. Nilsen clean up his land.

Claudette Zinkow – questioned when Building Inspector's Office is getting new offices, someone is going to get hurt.

George Heidcamp – speaking as President of PBA regarding Contract negotiations. Union filed IP against town, agreed upon that town and union resolve. Judge ordered union back to the table. Teamsters wrote letter withdrawing illegal items; PBA is not the problem for not getting back to the table. Asking town board to pass a resolution so we can get back to the table. Does not want politics involved. Negotiations will start back up on Friday.

Current DARE officer does not want to continue.

Questioned why Bill Wallens named George Heidcamp as possible disciplinary action against him in a letter.

May need Executive Session next meeting regarding personnel matter, if not resolved.

Greg Chorvas – Ernie Fick Memorial is complete, although materials are over by \$2,987.00. Ken Benson donated a great deal of time. The dedication will be on September 17, 2005 at 11:30 a.m.

Moving forth with estimates with warehouse renovations.

At the Highway Department while shallow well work was being done, found all pipes are disintegrating in the ground and electrical wiring was ripped out of red building.

Recommending Senior Center Building not be used for concerts anymore.

Councilman Macarille added that he was at the Highway Department recently and the bathrooms were backing up, it was a mess. Possibly put up \$200,000.00 BAN to fix Highway Department and critical issues with animal shelter.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – AUGUST 17, 2005

The Town Board Meeting was held on August 17, 2005 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 at 7:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance with the following members present:

Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel
Councilman Tom Macarille
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello, Jr.
Councilman Phil Tucker

A moment of silence was observed in memory of Village Trustee Susan Caputo Lee who passed away last Saturday, August 6, 2005.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Daniel Riozzi – Inflight purchasing home on Riozzi Court – it's a private road, not maintained by the town, not the right neighborhood. Residents did not receive enough notification, concerned about saturation of these types of home in the town. Request extension so a Public Hearing could be held. Concerned that valuation of homes drop approximately 30% in neighborhood. Submitted a petition for the town board from neighbors.

Steve Costello – added to Inflight discussion that these facilities do not pay taxes, how much can town support?

Nancy Campbell – Saugerties is part of Upper Hudson River Alliance and this past weekend the Artist Tour was held with 26 artists participating. It was an outstanding success. Some artists experienced 200 visitors to their studio.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the minutes of Public Hearing, Local Law #4 on July 13, 2005; Pre-board Meeting of July 13, 2005; Town Board Meeting of July 13, 2005; Bid Opening of July 27, 2005;

Special Joint Town Board Meeting with the Village of July 27, 2005; Bid Opening of July 28, 2005; special Town Board Meeting of July 28, 2005; and Special Joint Town Board Meeting with the Village of July 29, 2005, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$155,048.45
General Outside Village	24,460.17
Recreational Capital	7,141.48
Highway Townwide	14,982.06
Highway Outside Village	41,212.77
Ambulance District	31,167.00
Lighting District	3,561.46
Barclay Heights Sewer	30.60
Glasco Sewer	4,613.12
Malden Sewer	505.63
Glasco Water	326.51
Malden Water	73.94

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Greg Chorvas – several volunteer projects – American Legion - everything is complete with dug outs with exception of roofing and roll-up door. Kiwanis – electrical up-grade project is almost complete. SAA addition at Ice Rink projects nearly complete. Amer-link delivered new pavilion at soccer field. Jaycee Field - Eagle Scout Project with James Harris, the lines have been painted on the basketball court. Ernie Fick Memorial is 100% complete and dedication will be September 17th at 11:30 a.m.

Chief Hulbert – complete report on file at the Town Clerk’s Office.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Macarille – RRA looking to charge transfer stations for recycling which would be approximately \$42,000.00 for Saugerties, something will have to be done to defray this cost.

Councilwoman Thornton – *Town Historian* Karlyn Elia is working on a Woodstock ’94 sign to be put at the site. *Library Board* – home page hits have doubled, student job available for approximately 12 hours per week. *Public Access* – recently purchased new equipment. *Historic Preservation* – 8/22 meeting regarding Winston and Snyder Farms as historic designations. *CPC* – sub-committee formed about up-dating zoning codes. *CAC*- 8/18 meeting at 7:00 p.m. re: NYS Groundwater Protection Hudson River corridor study; traffic issues in Village and possible King’s Highway traffic. Thanked Carolyn Maines for a wonderful presentation at the Birches groundbreaking ceremony. *Esopus*

Creek Hike on 8/20 at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and at 2:30 p.m. Senator Bonacic will announce Greenway grant to construct footbridges.

Councilman Costello –impressed with Public Access’ new equipment and thanked Leeanne for efforts. Compliment Little League, Babe Ruth and Girl’s Softball on a successful season. James Harris’ did a wonderful job on his Eagle Scout Project revitalizing Jaycee Field. First new water bills went out, some went up and some went down. Malden is the only area left that is billed by units, not usage. Past January tax bill there was no fee of \$208.00, now it is on the water bill. If your bill is \$208.00 or more than last years bill, then your water bill increased.

Councilman Tucker – commended police staff for rescue recently and all volunteerism in the town.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Macarille to enact Local Law #4 of 2005 to increase the maximum exemption allowable under Section 458-a of the Real Property Tax Law to provide increased levels of exemption amounts for certain owner’s eligible for the alternative Veteran’s Exemption and to provide an exemption for “Gold Star” parents.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helmsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the application for assembly for OPUS 40/James Richards on 50 Fite Road in Saugerties for September 3, 2005.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Macarille to approve a Certificate of Registration for Kiniry Excavation of Saugerties to install water and sewer hook-ups in the Town of Saugerties.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Costello to appoint Owen J. O’Connell as part time police officer at a rate of \$13.50 per hour effective August 18, 2005 as per the recommendation of the Chief of Police.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Macarille to accept with regret the letter of resignation from full time Dispatcher James A. Mullen effective August 17, 2005.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Macarille to appoint James A. Mullen as part time police officer at a rate of \$13.50 per hour effective August 18, 2005 as per the recommendation of the Chief of Police.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Tucker to accept with regret the letter of resignation from part time Dispatcher Sean M. McMahon effective August 17, 2005.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Tucker to appoint Sean M. McMahon as part time police officer at a rate of \$13.50 per hour effective August 18, 2005 as per the recommendation of the Chief of Police.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to accept with regret the letter of resignation from Honorary Economic Development Committee member B. A. Feeney.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Macarille, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to authorize the town bookkeeper and Supervisor to commence the process of seeing a credit/debit processing machine installed at the town's Transfer Station obtained through M & T Bank to be done as soon as possible.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Costello to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the Inter-municipal Agreement to establish an Emergency Response Police Team within Ulster County, as per the recommendation of the Chief of Police.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Macarille to authorize the Town Supervisor and the Town's Animal Shelter Manager to begin negotiating a contract with the City of Kingston towards the upgrade of the town's animal shelter facility and shared services agreement.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Costello abstained)

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to authorize the town's engineer Brinnier and Larios to begin preparing specification packages and provide details to the town as to what will be required to begin work on the creation of the Kings Highway Water and Sewer District.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Costello to authorize the town's engineer Brinnier and Larios to prepare a preliminary map and plan to determine the costs of establishing a water and sewer district encompassing the Saugerties Manor Road area.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Tucker to appoint Vera J. White a part time Dispatcher effective August 18, 2005 at a rate of \$8.50 per hour at the recommendation of Chief Hulbert.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Macarille to approve \$2,987.02 for the cost increase associated with the Ernie Fick Memorial from the Recreational Capital Trust Fund account number CR7110.200.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to add to the Parks and Rec part time call out list Mary Elizabeth Murray at a rate of \$9.00 per hour.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Macarille, seconded by Councilman Costello to accept A Resolution of the Town Board ratifying the agreement between the Town and the Teamsters to terminate certain provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding Between the parties dated October 26, 2004.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town of Saugerties hereby ratifies the Agreement between the Town and Teamsters Local 445 dated October 26, 2004 (which is incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof) to terminate paragraphs 6 and 7 of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Town and Teamsters Local 445 dated October 26, 2004 (which is also incorporated herein by reference and made a part hereof).

Discussion: Supervisor Helmsmoortel does not feel this is necessary, it has already been done.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helmsmoortel voting No)

Motion made by Councilman Macarille, seconded by Councilman Costello to authorize the Building Department to go out to bid to clear the land of Mr. Steve Nilsen, SBL #17.3-1-36.

Discussion: Councilman Costello noted that the resident hopefully will be doing the work.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

A moment of silence was observed for Donald Rothrock, the father of Carolyn Maines.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, August 24, 2005

**Public Hearings on 3 separate zoning changes
6:00 p.m.; 6:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.**

Tuesday, August 30, 2005

**Special Joint Town & Village Board Meeting
To enter into Executive Session**

6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, September 14, 2005 Public Hearings on 3 separate zoning changes
6:00 p.m.; 6:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.**

Pre-Board Meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Town Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Town Clerk