

PRE-BOARD MEETING – OCTOBER 15, 2025

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, October 15, 2025 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
Councilman Zach Horton
Supervisor Fred Costello

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to enter into Executive Session to discuss collective bargaining agreement with UPSEU at 6:40 p.m., carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to exit Executive Session at 7:00 p.m., carried.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – OCTOBER 15, 2025

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, October 15, 2025 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
Councilman Zach Horton
Supervisor Fred Costello

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR: none

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kathy Gordon – took offense at the last board meeting with hostile attitudes, we should come together to get affordable housing. We should have plan and public comment again regarding the Winston Farm property.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

The board decided to pull a motion from the agenda that was tabled at the last meeting regarding contract. Congratulations to Kate Thornton Columbia for receiving two Emmy Awards for weather reporting. She is the first woman outside of NYC to receive the award. Extend congratulations to parents, Leeanne and Larry Thornton.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the minutes of Budget Workshop on October 1, 2025; Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on October 1, 2025, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the bills as presented, carried.

General Fund	\$182,591.02
General Outside Village	22,914.05
Highway	99,065.08
Capital Projects	69,487.50
Ambulance District	137,331.08
Sewer O&M	3,881.03
Water O&M	4,248.11
Trust & Agency	666.00
Central Hudson	39,326.78

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Ray Mayone, Highway – paving will be done next week and will be laying the shoulders down; also, we will start to get the trucks ready for winter weather.

Greg Chorvas, Parks & Rec – Thornton Field #3 fence is complete, thank you to Little League for donation of materials. Anniversary Celebration 25 Years of the Ice Rink will take place on November 8, 12-3 pm

Chief Swart, Police – unfortunately we had a double fatal on Kings Highway last week

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Nau – nothing to report

Councilwoman Thornton – library elected slate of officers; Touch-a-Truck October 26 12-3 pm, Splash Pad Fundraiser; sound is back on TV23; finally received reduction of speed limit on Route 212.

Councilman Ivino – nothing to report

Councilman Horton – CAC will meet October 16 via virtual meeting, plan can be reviewed ahead of time; thank you to Greg Chorvas and Marc Malgieri with upgrades at Jaycee Field, which are reflected in the motions on tonight's agenda.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to add to the Ice Arena's part time call out list Skylar Sprance at a rate of \$19.00/hour as per the recommendation of the Ice Arena Director and the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to declare surplus and no longer of use to the Town of Saugerties one (1) 2001 Stone Champion Concrete Mixer, Model #65CM, Serial # 252003252, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilman Horton to dispose of the aforementioned Concrete Mixer via the most revenue producing means, which may include Metal Salvage Reclamation, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Horton to declare surplus and no longer of use to the Town of Saugerties twenty-five (25) 1500w Metal Halide Sports Field light fixtures, along with eight (8) cross members, from West Field #7, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to donate to Saugerties Little League the required number of aforementioned field lighting fixtures and cross members to upgrade their field lighting on Sauer Field #1, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Discussion: Greg Chorvas said they were approached to upgrade and this will address liability.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Horton to dispose of remaining aforementioned fixtures via the most revenue producing means, which may include Metal Salvage Reclamation, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to authorize the Parks & Buildings Department to advertise for sealed bids for the purchase and install of an Inclusive Playground System, along with Rubberized poured-in-place Safety Surface, in reference to the combined Senate and Assembly's JayCee Field Grant, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello said the surface will seem expensive but it will pay for itself in no time.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilman Horton to authorize the Parks & Buildings Department to advertise for sealed bids for the install of a new full court (size) asphalt Basketball Court, along with option for the excavation and removal of the existing Basketball Court at JayCee Field in reference to the combined Senate and Assembly's JayCee Field Grant, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Horton to appoint Lou Klepner as the regular representative for the Town of Saugerties on the Ulster County Planning Board from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2029.

Discussion: Councilwoman Thornton added that he is a member of Ulster County transportation committee and Town/Village STAC, very active and engaged member.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Horton to approve the resolution, as on file, in opposition to the discharge of contaminated water into the Hudson River.

Discussion: Councilman Ivino clarified that "Save the Hudson Law" was overturned by a Judge's ruling. How can unclear waste be okay, it has no business being in the waterway.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to adjourn Town Board Meeting at 7:36 p.m., carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, November 5, 2025

Public Hearing

6:00 p.m.

2% Tax Cap

Public Hearing

6:30 p.m.

2026 Budget

Pre-Board Meeting

following hearings

Town Board Meeting

7:00 p.m.

The meeting was closed in memory of June Overbaugh, Les Ostoyic and Mary Pietkiewicz.

Town Clerk