PRE-BOARD MEETING – SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, September 3, 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

Supervisor Costello said that wording is changed slightly, to add a date, to a motion on the agenda. All members are in favor of the amendment.

Town Clerk		

TOWN BOARD MEETING - SEPTEMBER 3, 2025

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, September 3, 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:

UC District Attorney Nneji - gave insight as to the relationship with Saugerties School District, Police Department and DA's office since receiving several emails/messages of years of abuse in school. Regarding the recent charges against a police officer and school employee he has met with Chief Swart and school officials and moving forward with new procedures in place.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Aaron Levine, UC Legislator – is requesting a traffic study for speed reduction on Fishcreek Road and presented signed petitions to the town board.

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS: none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve the minutes of Public Hearings on August 13, 2025 regarding Property Maintenance Law and Sewers, Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting of August 13, 2025 and Bid Opening of August 21, 2025 for restroom at Cantine Field, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$27,199.79
General Outside Village	44.25
Highway	66,894.72
Ambulance District	137,331.08
Sewer O&M	371.88
Water O&M	247.50
Central Hudson	2,046.23

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Greg Chorvas – workers have been working on the flat roof and able to do the job just under \$4,000.00 in-house. Mini split units have been installed on the second floor in the police department; tennis courts have been power washed and the cracks will be fixed. The slide at Bigelow Park has been installed and lighting is being worked on the pickleball courts.

Ray Mayone – finished blacktopping Shear Road, Old Route 32 and moving on to other roads, thank you to the highway crew. Thank you to the Chief and the police department for keeping the road crews safe.

Chief Swart – recert of lie detectors being done and several community events being held; two recruits are attending the academy.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilwoman Nau – nothing to report

Councilwoman Thornton – September 4 is the Library budget vote; Boys & Girls Club has a fundraiser of \$100.00 raffle ticket available; September 14 – auction of dogs; September 18 – food trucks and October 26 is the touch a truck event.

Councilman Ivino – nothing to report

Councilman Horton – nothing to report

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Horton to accept the resignation of Nicole Decker as a part time Police Officer, effective August 22, 2025.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to hire Nicole Decker as a part time Dispatcher, effective August 25, 2025, at the rate of \$25.13 an hour.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to appoint Alexandra J. Rutkowski as a part time Police Officer at the academy rate of \$19.00 per hour, effective September 15, 2025.

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve Local Law #6 of 2025, as on file, regarding Amending Chapter 180 of the Town of Saugerties Municipal Code entitled Property Maintenance.

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to approve Local Law #7 of 2025, as on file, regarding Amending Chapter 190 of the Town of Saugerties Municipal Code entitled Sewers.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolutions, as on file, regarding the lot consolidation procedure for the Planning Board.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to accept the resignation of Daniel Goldpaugh from the Highway Department, with his last day of employment being August 29, 2025.

Discussion: Ray Mayone added that he is an excellent worker, sorry to see him go but wish him all the best.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Supervisor Costello approving the dedication of Harrison Court pending documentation from Riseley & Moriello, Attorneys at Law to the Town of Saugerties Town Board and Supervisor Costello. Such approvals will become effective upon certification from Town Attorney John Greco that all submitted documentation is sufficient to complete the dedication process.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello clarified that this has to do with Glasco Ponds.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to allow the refund of a building permit fee in the amount of \$305.00 to the Sunrun Solar Company because it was an amendment to an existing permit and not a new permit as per the request of the Building Inspector Alvah Weeks.

Discussion: Councilman Ivino stated that this was a mistake in the permitting process.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve the low responsible proposal from D&B Roofing for the replacement of the roof over the Police Department area between the warehouse and police department's second floor in the amount of \$30,000.00. Cost to be paid out of fund balance from surplus funds previously generated by the Parks & Buildings Department, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Supervisor Costello to authorize the Town Board to advertise for bids for one (1) a 1993 GMC Topkick the VIN # 1GDG6H1P8PJ502455 with the mileage of 63,234 and two (2) a 1993 GMC Value Van 35, VIN # 1GTGP32K4P3500259 with mileage of 161,889. (The above vehicles are below the General Municipal Law Section 103 (1) expenditure limits, and the bids will be sent out via email within the Town of Saugerties). Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that these have served useful life at Water & Sewer.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to authorize the supervisor to sign a release on behalf of the Town of Saugerties in regards to an incident at town hall pertaining to damaged windows occurring on or about April 22, 2025.

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:

Wednesday, September 17, 2025	Pre-Board Meeting Town Board Meeting	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday, October 1, 2025	2026 Budget Workshop	5:00 p.m.
	 Town Clerk	