

PRE-BOARD MEETING – MARCH 19, 2014

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in 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 William Schirmer
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello
Councilman James Bruno
Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

Supervisor Helsmoortel talked about the Hudson River Fish Advisory Project, all are in agreement.

Councilman Bruno talked regarding Local Law General Business to clarify how many businesses may be involved. Regarding the affordable housing, the county is not in favor of this. Some discussion as to if this should be kept in, taken out or wording changed.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – MARCH 19, 2014

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in 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 William Schirmer
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello
Councilman James Bruno
Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Youth Awards were given to Olivia Staby, Justin DeCesare, Kendall Matheson and Hunter Igoe. Congratulations!

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Patricia Luo – would like to permanently shut down Larry Swart’s outdoor wood boiler and would like to ban use of outdoor wood boilers in Saugerties. Has met with the town attorney and DEC regarding this issue.

Gaetana Ciarlante – raised question a month ago about out-of-town resident to be on a committee, would like a final answer. Also, what is the total cost to the town on grant to not eat fish from the Hudson River? Why are we paying for ambulance services for the festivals? Supervisor Helsmoortel responded that the cost is \$150.00 for the fish information. The Contract is being facilitated through the town for the ambulance, the promoters are paying.

Donna Fellows – lives on a private road and wanted guidance on what to do when people that live on the road refuse to pay and/or maintain the private road. Supervisor Helsmoortel said that this is a civil matter, since it is a private road.

Irene Petersen – same problem as Donna Fellows, neighbors. Has consulted an attorney and there is nothing to be done. Agrees with getting rid of woodstoves.

Chris Allen – receiving complaints about PVI bridge being out of order, which will take approximately 8 months to fix. Speak to your legislator to voice concerns.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

Concert has been approved to advertise and sell tickets at the Winston Farm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on March 5, 2014; Public Hearings on March 5, 2014 regarding Affordable Housing and General Business District, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General fund	\$150,222.68
General Outside Village	6,705.96
Highway	81,324.88
Capital Projects	5,557.78
Ambulance District	47,472.50
Barclay Heights Sewer	945.19
Glasco Sewer	8,176.87
Malden Sewer	1,410.42
Kings Highway Sewer	15.00
Glasco Water	50.86

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Chief Sinagra – gave monthly report, which is on file at the Town Clerk’s office. Held training for 110+ police officers at the Army Reserves.

Greg Chorvas – new doors have been installed at the Senior Center. Drainage is being worked on at town hall. Working on last FEMA project at Cantine Field. NYS Hockey Championship for high school as held at the ice rink. Congratulations to the youth receiving awards tonight.

Councilman Schirmer – Historic Preservation met and elected Barry Benepe as the Chair. DEC found both facilities to be in compliance. Still working on correcting water bills.

Councilwoman Thornton – TV23 welcomed John Pedersen, Gus Kelly and Paul O’Malley to the committee. The committee will be doing workshops to review policies. CPC is working on water resource protection.

Councilman Costello – nothing to report

Councilman Bruno – rode in a police car with Officer Hampel, which was a wonderful experience. Read MS4 report, which is on file at the Town Clerk’s Office.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Schirmer, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the agreement, as on file, between Mobile Life Services and the Town of Saugerties pertaining to the Hudson Music and Arts Festival.

Discussion: Councilman Schirmer added that this will not use any town funds. Mobile Life will be under the leadership of Diaz.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schirmer, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the hiring of Thomas Cafaldo as a full time Water/Waste Water Maintenance Worker at a rate of \$15.00 per hour, effective March 10, 2014.

Discussion: Councilman Schirmer said this is filling a vacancy, Tom is qualified with a two-way certification.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schirmer, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve a rate of pay of \$16.00 per hour for George Augustine as a full time Water/Waste Water Maintenance Worker, effective March 19, 2014.

Discussion: Councilman Schirmer added that George has been in the department for three years and is going through the certification process.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Costello authorizing the Town Supervisor on behalf of the Town Board to file an application, at an expense not exceeding \$150.00 under the Hudson River Fish Advisory Outreach Project within the Center for Environmental Health under the NYS Department of Health, alone or in conjunction with the Village of Saugerties, for grant support in the amount of \$15,000.00 to reach out to affected populations (including women under 50 and children under 15) with advice and information on prohibitions against eating fish caught in the Hudson River due to the accumulation of PBCs in the fatty tissue of fish.

Discussion: Supervisor Helmsmoortel reiterated that there is no match of funds.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to enter into Executive Session to discuss medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation or relating to appointment, promotion, demotion, discipline or removal, at 8:05 p.m., carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Helmsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to exit Executive Session and adjourn Town Board Meeting at 8:55 p.m., carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Thursday, March 20, 2014	Public Hearing	5:45 p.m.
	Towing Law	
	Public Hearing	6:00 p.m.
	Affordable Housing	
	Public Hearing	6:30 p.m.
	General Business District	
Wednesday, April 2, 2014	Pre-Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
	Town Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.

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