PRE-BOARD MEETING – MARCH 1, 2006

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on March 1, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at the Frank D. Greco Multi-Purpose Building located on the corner of Market and Robinson Streets in the Village of Saugerties with the following members present:

Councilman Bruce Leighton
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilwoman Nancy Campbell
Deputy Supervisor/Councilman Fred Costello, Jr.

ABSENT: Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

The following topics were discussed:

Patti Kelly –No zoning change for the following concerns:

- Aquafir protection overlay is incomplete
- Zoning changes should be press release and not legal notice only.
- Make maps available; SBL# gives no information
- CPC and Planning Board should be asked to review. Include CPC in Zoning Law more detailed information needed.
- Information available to the Village Board; give them a chance to voice any concerns
- Not enough material available for review before the public hearing to comment intelligently.
- Would like to know the origin of zoning change.

Town Board members discussed about how these changes occur and who is notified before it happens. Consensus feels that Comprehensive Plan Committee should be "in the loop" before these changes take place. Will check with town attorney.

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to enter into Executive Session to discuss proposed, pending or current litigation, carried.

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Leighton to exit Executive Session, carried.

Deputy Town Clerk	

The Town Board Meeting was held on March 1, 2006 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 was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance with the following members present:

Councilman Bruce Leighton
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilwoman Nancy Campbell
Deputy Supervisor/Councilman Fred Costello, Jr.

ABSENT: Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR: none

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS: none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Leighton to approve the minutes of Pre-Board Meeting on February 15, 2006, Town Board Meeting of February 15, 2006 and Special Town Board Meeting of February 24, 2006, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$126,633.88
General Outside Village	28,251.64
Highway Townwide	4,842.34
Highway Outside Village	30,328.03
Capital Projects	106.24
Ambulance District	36,114.58
Barclay Heights Sewer	4,262.18
Glasco Sewer	495.57
Malden Sewer	188.39
Glasco Water	4,651.11
Malden Water	15.00

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Wayne Debrosky - monthly report on file at the Town Clerk's Office. Smoke testing will be scheduled in June for Glasco. Thanked his crew, Andy McBride, Dave Brocco, Mark Resso, John Beckert for the hard work during the February 3rd water main break.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Leighton – appointments scheduled with engineers for Saugerties Manor and Kings Highway water projects.

Councilwoman Thornton – *SAMA* meeting to go over discussion during sharet, next meeting will be 3/21 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm; all points taken into consideration. *Lighthouse 23* received wording of new job for the position in the studio, will be advertised; funding will be 50/50 with village with salary of \$15,000.00/year. Thanked members of the community who have donated cameras to Lighthouse TV. Special meeting with *Library board*; they are considering three sights for the new library.

Councilman Costello – Little League and adult ball sign-ups are underway, contact myself or Gladys Hutton if you have any questions.

Councilwoman Campbell – complete *Building Inspector's* report on file in the Town Clerk's Office. *Planning Board* meeting approved one time only Worship in the Sun for September 9 and 10th. *Economic Development* would like to survey the businesses in Saugerties and send out questionnaire about needs/wants. March 9th meeting with Dennis Doyle addressing Economic Development. Paint has been delivered for mural for warehouse renovation, any artist that is interested is welcome. Mayor Yerick is in the hospital, but doing fine and will be home soon.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to appoint Christopher Schneider, Jr., as a part-time dispatcher at a rate of \$10.50 per hour effective February 20, 2006.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Campbell, seconded by Councilman Costello to authorize the Town of Saugerties Supervisor, Greg Helsmoortel, to sign the application for a Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant for the 2005-2006 program year. (MS4 stormwater guidelines)

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to authorize the Town of Saugerties Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel, to renew a 10-year lease with Northeast Solite corporation for property including the Glasco Little League Complex.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent)

Motion made by Councilman Leighton, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to support the Resolution of the Town of Saugerties Senior Clubs #1 and #2 as read:

WHEREAS, the New York State Constitution prohibits casino gambling; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Saugerties is a Greenway community dedicated to protecting its rich environmental assets and protecting and preserving its quality of life for its inhabitants and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the People of Saugerties are committed to allowing their town to grow gracefully; and

WHEREAS, Saugerties is being proposed as the site for a gambling casino on the Winston Farm of huge proportions that will distort the nature of our community and have a tremendous negative impact upon our environment, including demands placed upon our water resources, pollution of our streams, use of our infrastructure, illuminating our night sky, and other negative impacts; and

WHEREAS, the negative financial impact upon our community and its property owners far outweighs whatever moneys the town may realize from the casino; it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the members of the Town of Saugerties Senior Clubs #1 and #2 oppose the sighting of a gambling casino within the borders of the Town of Saugerties and oppose any governmental agreement which would allow the purchaser of property in the Town of Saugerties to use that property for the purpose of building a gambling casino; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution be forwarded immediately to our elected representatives on the federal, state, county and local levels.

Vote: Adopted – 3 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent and Councilman Costello abstain)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Costello to accept the Resolution dated March 1, 2006 honoring Joan Feldmann as read:

RESOLUTION DATED MARCH 1, 2006 HONORING JOAN FELDMANN

WHEREAS, Joan Feldmann has been an active and vital part of the Town of Saugerties for her entire life, and has volunteered her time to many charitable and civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, Joan Feldmann dedicated many years of public service to our community, including the Village of Saugerties as a Village Trustee, and the Town of Saugerties as Assistant Town Clerk, Town Council Member and Ulster County Legislator; and

WHEREAS, as minority leader of the Ulster County Legislature, Deputy Chair of the Public Works Committee and Member of the Ways and Means committee and County Services Committee, Joan Feldmann ensured the Town was well represented on the County Legislature and demonstrated a great concern for the residents of Saugerties, a town that she loved and served so well; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Saugerties wishes to honor Joan Feldmann and thank her for her service and contributions which have aided and improved our community.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Saugerties honors and recognizes Joan Feldmann for her work, dedication and contributions to the Town of Saugerties, for assisting so many people along the way and for helping to improve and make our Town a better place.

Approved and adopted at a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Saugerties on March 1, 2006.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent)

Motion made by Councilman Leighton, seconded by Councilwoman Campbell to approve Certificate of Registration for Al Riozzi Construction for sewer hook-ups in the Town of Saugerties per Water & Sewer Department.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent)

Councilwoman Campbell: The proposed change to zoning law, local law 3 of 1989, meets SEQR criteria listed as a Type 1 action:

617.4 Section B numbers

- 2. the adoption of changes in the allowable uses within any zoning district, affecting 25 or more acres of the district; and
- 3. the granting of a zoning change, at the request of an applicant, for an action that meets or exceeds one or more of the thresholds given elsewhere in this list; therefore

Motion made by Councilwoman Campbell, seconded by Councilman Leighton that the Town of Saugerties, as lead agency, completes a full Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) for the proposed zoning change to Recreation Business of the properties listed on the amendment, as required by SEQR for Type 1 actions.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Campbell, seconded by Councilman Leighton that upon completion of the EAF, will reschedule any additional public hearings on this proposed zoning amendment after review of the changes by the appropriate agencies.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Supervisor Helsmoortel absent)

Marti Randall - Apologized for being late, but would like to thank Leeanne Thornton, Karlyn Elia and Greg Chorvas for all their help and consideration in making Winston Farm power point presentation possible.

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Leighton to adjourn meeting at 7:43 p.m., carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

March 15, 2006	Pre-Board Meeting Town Board Meeting	6:00 pm 7:00 pm
	Deputy Town Clerk	