

PRE-BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 16, 2005

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on November 16, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. 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 Helmsmoortel
Councilman Tom Macarille
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello, Jr.
Councilman Phil Tucker

Councilwoman Thornton spoke to Glenn Gidaly about applying for a grant to include the Glasco Mini Park, with non-profit organization Esopus Creek and Village of Saugerties to promote tourism. This grant would be effective in 2007 if granted.

Councilman Tucker said the new DARE Officer will be Jeremy Rushokie. KJ Swart will be training him and ready to go in January. The other officers were offered this position on two occasions and no one stepped forward.

Councilwoman Thornton said Joanne Longendyke is stepping down from the Cable Access Committee and they would like to replace her with Ernie Mortuzans. He is very interested and capable individual.

Cathy Maloney of Kingston/Ulster Empire Zone spoke before the board. Ms. Maloney explained requirements set forth by the State this year. In the past, they have provided benefits to Leighton Enterprises, Methods Tool, HITS, Vertis, Marketec as well as other companies in Saugerties. Next year they are able to designate 130 acres in Saugerties. Businesses existing with criteria met will be grandfathered-in. The advantage is NYS tax credit for these businesses. It is totally performance based, not a free ride.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 16, 2005

The Town Board Meeting was held on November 16, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. 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 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

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Josh Randall – agenda calls for a motion to adopt budget and it seems short-sighted of the board not to have synopsis for public to view. Supervisor Helsmoortel responded that the board had a Public Hearing and two Workshops open to the public, information has been available.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

Reminder that town offices will be closed on Thursday, November 24, 2005 and Friday, November 25, 2005 for the Thanksgiving Day Holiday.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the minutes of Budget Public Hearing on October 26, 2005; Public Hearing re: Glasco Water District Extension #5 on October 26, 2005; Pre-Board Meeting of October 26, 2005; Town Board Meeting of October 26, 2005 and Budget Workshop Meeting of November 1, 2005, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General	\$93,780.31
General Outside Village	9,936.00
Recreational Capital	429.84
Highway Townwide	20,034.25
Highway Outside Village	40,026.22
Capital Projects	1,382.09
Ambulance District	31,167.00
Lighting District	4,233.90
Barclay Heights Sewer	414.43
Glasco Sewer	4,782.97
Malden Sewer	1,247.51
Glasco Water	252.20
Malden Water	30.00

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Chief Hulbert – complete report on file in the Town Clerk’s Office. Congratulations to KJ Swart receiving the AAA Bronze Award for the department for increasing the arrest for DWI. Because of Officer Swart we also received a grant of \$4,000.00 from Stop DWI. There is a rally coming up this weekend in Kingston, and six of our uniformed officers will be there to help.

Don Debrosky – at last meeting brought up suggested changes in pricing and wanted it added tonight. One addition that floor tiles (rubber and vinyl) should be the same as shingle price. On November 28th the new signage will be in place.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Macarille – report on year to date summary of revenue from Building Department. \$156,815.37 from the Building Department; \$130,059.59 from the Planning Department; \$1,250.00 from the Zoning Board of Appeals. Paul and his staff deserve credit for all their efforts. We received the permits for the Glasco Mini Park from the Army Corps of Engineers, which we have been waiting for.

Councilwoman Thornton – Historic Preservation Committee’s next meeting is November 28th at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center regarding the Snyder and Winston Farms.

Councilman Costello – very excited about receiving permits and hopefully we can start before weather turns. Court Clerk steps are almost complete. Also, extend congratulations to KJ Swart.

Councilman Tucker – reiterate congratulations to Officer Swart. Also, a lot of hard work went into the budget, we had a lot of good workshops. Gary Newkirk has done a fantastic job.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to adopt the Town of Saugerties 2006 Budget.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND CONCURRING IN THE JOINT
APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF KINGSTON AND THE TOWN OF ULSTER
APPLICATION FOR REDESIGNATION OF CERTAIN AREAS WITHIN
ULSTER COUNTY AS AN EMPIRE ZONE

WHEREAS, by Local Law No. 2 of 1994 of the City of Kingston and by Resolution #71 of 1994, the County of Ulster authorized the City of Kingston and the Town of Ulster to prepare and submit the joint application for designation of the Empire Zone, pursuant to Section 961 of the General Municipal Law, and the creation of such Zone was approved by the New York State Commissioner of Economic Development and such Zone was formally designated by the Empire Zones Designation Board on July 27, 1994; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Legislature and the governor have enacted into law changes to the Empire Zones program, whereby each existing Empire Zone must configure its existing zone acreage into six “distinct and separate contiguous” areas with a seventh depending upon need; the boundaries of said areas to be included in said Empire Zone within this municipality shall be as set forth in Schedule A, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, such redesignation could greatly benefit Ulster County in that new businesses would be encouraged to located in the zone area, existing businesses would be encouraged to expand in the zone area and new and expanded businesses would generate new jobs for County residents; and

WHEREAS, Ulster County intends to authorize the submission of an application for the redesignation of areas within the Town of Saugerties as an Empire Zone; and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature wishes to redesignate certain areas within the Ulster County as part of the proposed Empire Zone; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Saugerties is desirous of working with the Zone Administrative Board through the Empire Zone Program to provide enhanced job opportunities for its residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Board of the Town of Saugerties, New York, that it fully supports and concurs in the submission of a joint application by the City of Kingston and the Town of Ulster for the redesignation of certain areas as an Empire Zone.

By Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel	voting	Yes
Councilman Tom Macarille	voting	Yes
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton	voting	Yes
Councilman Fred Costello	voting	Yes
Councilman Phil Tucker	voting	Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Tucker to appoint Ernie Mortuzans to the Cable Access Committee effective immediately.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Macarille, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to increase usage fees at the transfer station according to pricing on file at Town Hall and the recommendation of the Manager of the Transfer Station.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Macarille to enter into Executive Session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to exit Executive Session and adjourn Town Board Meeting, carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday	November 30, 2005	6:00 p.m.	Pre Board Meeting
		7:00 p.m.	Town Board meeting

Town Clerk