

**PRE-BOARD MEETING – MARCH 20, 2024**

The Pre-Board Meeting was held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 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:

Councilwoman Peg Nau  
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton  
Councilman Zach Horton  
Supervisor Fred Costello

Absent: Councilman Mike Ivino

It was decided to move a motion forward to the agenda regarding Doug Wilson.

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Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton  
Councilman Zach Horton  
Supervisor Fred Costello

Absent: Councilman Mike Ivino

**PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:** none

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

Joan Reinmuth – raised with Jewish values; a lot of non-Jews in Palestine – stop killing in Palestine.

Jasmin Attalla – please pass permanent ceasefire, this needs to end; Saugerties has a moral obligation.

Stephanie Kerr – support ceasefire

Lanny Walter – heart wrenching and people are in great pain; when something is done it sends an example and shows if we care or not.

Marjorie Leopold – echo what others have said; what’s happening at grassroots is affecting higher leaders – powerful.

Margarita Asiain – support passing resolution, support 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment rights.

Sue Rosenberg – Jewish voice of peace but demand a ceasefire; heart breaks for families, humanitarian aid can not get through; urge you to support permanent ceasefire.

Bob Gelbach – unusual expectation but U.S. is a part of agreement between countries; needs to stay true to agreement.

Eliza Blum – thank you for representing us and will continue to come until resolution is passed.

Janet Moss Asiain – insulting to say this topic is above pay grade of the town board.

Rebecca Stoltzfus – no one will be safe until permanent ceasefire is reached.

Brittany Barnard – call for immediate ceasefire, can not ignore what is happening with ruthless inhumanity.

Cora Mitchell – celebration of life will be held for Starllie Swongyoung on Sunday. Would also like immediate ceasefire.

Alexis Reinhold – no longer wish to have tax dollars funding this.

Diana Turner – without U.S. support, this cannot succeed – do not fund this genocide.

Nicole Roskos – felt powerless but we can join other towns and be powerful.

Theo Schorowitz – trying best to make a difference – how can you justify war.

Molly Mackaman – urge town board to pass ceasefire – humanitarian aid corridor act is being violated.

Marc Arthur – agree with what has been said, thank you for listening.

Tim Scott – this needs to stop and sign ceasefire.

Judith Simon – Gaza is half the size of NYC and many more bombs dropped in short amount of time; we need to join other municipalities.

Elgdach – born in Palestine and grown up in Gaza – sign the resolution

Casey Branker – echo all of what was said tonight.

#### **SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on March 6, 2024, carried.

#### **APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

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

General Fund	\$95,142.48
General Outside Village	10,859.36
Highway	40,980.03
Capital Projects	9,832.50
Sewer O&M	122,339.00
Water O&M	208,528.89
Trust & Agency	2,407.39
Central Hudson	16,486.51

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

Ray Mayone, Highway – Market Street in Glasco is failing; geologists and boring company has been hired to do study. Four foot of blacktop has been used over the years in that area; we are in contact with the homeowners. For Glasco Fire Department, we put a stand pipe in the Hudson River for their use.

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilwoman Nau – nothing to report

Councilwoman Thornton – Upstate Films had the opening of “The Mark” at the Orpheum; CPC meets on March 28; Boys & Girls Club auction will be held on May 17.

Councilman Horton – docks and piers have been installed; drainage work is being done on Little League fields; Ice Rink held another fundraiser.

**MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to place Haley Whalen on paid administrative leave, effective February 1, 2024, pending the outcome of an investigation.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Ivino absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to remove Haley Whalen from paid administrative leave, effective February 29, 2024 due to unavailability to work because of pending legal matters.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Ivino absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to place Ryan Maxwell on paid administrative leave, effective March 11, 2024 through March 20, 2024.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Ivino absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to accept the resignation of Police Chief Louis Barbaria, effective December 31, 2023.

Discussion: Supervisor extends his thanks for his help and wish him the best.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Ivino absent)

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Supervisor Costello authorizing Water/Wastewater Superintendent Mark Resso to make an emergency purchase of one (1) used and in very good condition model year 2004, 6.4 diesel, 6 cylinder with a 1900 series engine Sterling Acterra heavy duty dump truck with aluminum body in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.00.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Ivino absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the proclamations, as on file, regarding the 2024 Sports Hall of Fame Inductees (all inductees get a proclamation with the same language): Jodi Elmendorf Araujo, Beth Gentile Bowens, Bobby Mooers, Damion Ferraro and Joe Defino.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Ivino absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Horton to rescind the following motion from the March 6, 2024 agenda/minutes: to set a public hearing date of March 20, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. to consider the map, plan and report with respect to the proposed Kings Highway Water District Extension. (this is due to inadequate time to publish the notice)

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Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to set a public hearing date of April 17, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. to consider the map, plan and report with respect to the proposed Kings Highway Water District Extension.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Ivino absent)

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to set a public hearing date of April 17, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. to consider the map, plan and report with respect to the proposed Kings Highway Sewer District Extension.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Ivino absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilwoman Nau to approve the proclamation, as on file, regarding the 2024 Saugerties Sports Hall of Fame Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient Doug Wilson.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Ivino absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Nau to adjourn Town Board Meeting at 8:28 p.m., carried.

*Meeting closed in memory of Geraldine Malgieri, Daniel Klinkenberg, Elizabeth Legg, Charles Boughton, and Eleanor Snyder.*

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

<b>Wednesday, April 3, 2024</b>	<b>Pre-Board Meeting</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
	<b>Town Board Meeting</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Wednesday, April 17, 2024</b>	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
	<b>Kings Hwy Water</b>	
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
	<b>Kings Hwy Sewer</b>	
	<b>Pre-Board Meeting</b>	<b>after hearings</b>
	<b>Town Board Meeting</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>

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