

PRE-BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 6, 2024

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, November 6, 2024 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:

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

Councilwoman Thornton spoke about Simmons Drive and said that 60% of people are not obeying the stop signs. Would like to look at reconfiguring the intersection to reroute it to a parcel of land that the town owns nearby, which would entail blocking the intersection by Mountain View Avenue, Avon Street and Route 9W. Will be speaking to Highway Department and State Highway.

Councilman Ivino brought up increasing the water rates to cover the fees for operations and expenditures. One idea is to take the figures and spread it over five years and hopefully would reduce after that time period. This would put us back in the black.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – NOVEMBER 6, 2024

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, November 6, 2024 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:

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

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Doc Kappler and Cindy Saporito – presented a check of \$17,796.93 to cover manpower and overtime for Town of Saugerties workers helping with the Garlic Festival. The festival has been held for 30+ years and this years attendance was 25,000. Thank you to Greg Chorvas for helping and the participation with zero waste program, which was started 5 years ago. We have diverted 81% of garbage.

Saugerties Arts Commission: 2024 goals achieved Lisa Nicholas, Giselle Florez & Andrew Rein our goal is to bring us together to create bonds and togetherness with free, cultural events

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: none

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

Thank you to Kiwanis for continuing to hold and organize the Garlic Festival, wonderful community asset which gives back to the community each and every year. We hope to get the Animal Shelter started and get construction underway.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the minutes of 2025 Budget Workshop of October 16, 2024, Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on October 16, 2024 and Bid Opening of October 31, 2024 for bathrooms for Cantine, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$29,407.34
General Outside Village	3,324.20
Highway	82,796.96
Capital Projects	5,610.00
Ambulance District	129,134.25
Sewer O&M	18.00
Water O&M	18.00
Central Hudson	19,416.55

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Greg Chorvas – column has been replaced on the pavilion; vandalism has happened at the Lorenz bathrooms and at Jaycee Field. We need to install more cameras.

Ray Mayone – end of blacktopping, great season with employees. Clean up on ditches and we are building up the shoulders of roadways.

Chief Swart – hit and run in the village and the person was arrested; new recruits are helping with filling shifts.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Horton to hire Ryan M. Cioni as a part time Police Officer at a pay rate of \$25.00 per hour, effective November 7, 2024.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Horton, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to hire Steven K. Jackson as a part time Police Officer at a pay rate of \$25.00 per hour, effective November 7, 2024.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the resolution, as on file, pertaining to the Kings Highway Water and Sewer Extension Project to serve 14 properties.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that this project is many years old and will help the fire department.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve the resolution, as on file, approving the land lease agreement by and between the Town of Saugerties and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless, subject to a permissive referendum.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that this has been a long-standing project on Washington Avenue Ext, located near the dog park.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to enter into Executive Session regarding appointment of a particular person at 7:46 p.m., carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Horton to exit Executive Session and adjourn Town Board Meeting at 8:40 p.m., carried.

Meeting was closed in memory of Irene Hurst, Ed Sinnott, Robert Capparelle, Linda Chabot and Phil Dugan.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

Pre-Board Meeting

6:30 p.m.

Town Board Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Town Clerk