

PRE-BOARD MEETING – APRIL 3, 2019

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Councilman Paul Andreassen
Councilwoman Leanne Thornton
Councilman Mike MacIsaac
Councilman John Schoonmaker
Supervisor Fred Costello

Supervisor Costello confirmed that all board members have received the paperwork on the proposed Local Law on Noise Ordinance; would like to know if all are in agreement to schedule the Public Hearing. The board will be moving a motion forward to the agenda to schedule the public hearing.

Town Clerk

TOWN BOARD MEETING – APRIL 3, 2019

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 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 opened with the Pledge of Allegiance with the following members present:

Councilman Paul Andreassen
Councilwoman Leanne Thornton
Councilman Mike MacIsaac
Councilman John Schoonmaker
Supervisor Fred Costello

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Christine Brady-Lavalle and Jason Welch spoke regarding Habitat for Humanity, which will be working on a few properties in the Town of Saugerties. The first project will be in Glasco, a 3 bedroom, 2 bath affordable house that is easy to maintain.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

Joe Maloney, Latham Circle – Ulster County Legislator of District 2 and spoke regarding the dumping situation with zoning and legal issues, which is very concerning. Seven to eight years ago, the county opted in to “flow control” and will be discussed in the legislator to have a concrete law for no out-of-county C&D to be brought in.

Leny Brown, John Joy Road – abuse of truck deliveries all times during the week with illegal dumping; very concerned in this matter.

Norma Zotos, John Joy Road – the past year we have heard trucks dumping. Live very close to Route 32 with trucks entering at a high rate of speed. Houses are being torn down in the city and the debris is being brought up here to be dumped.

Lorraine Rengers, John Joy Road – live across from Fel Qui property; there are two parcels (7 acres) of wetland and it’s encroaching on private property now. Seven days a week every 15 minutes trucks go by and it’s a constant noise and pollution, which probably brings a decrease in property value.

Susan Greenstein, John Joy Road – trucks are exceeding speed limit, nightmare of noise and dust. Received a letter from DEC for free water testing. Please do everything possible to stop this.

Greg Safris, John Joy Road – lives ¼ mile from dumping site; trucks are unmarked that run 7 days a week. Roads are being destroyed and it’s very disruptive and upsetting.

Grey Morris, Houtman Road – this is very important to neighbors; trucking operation has not obtained proper permits, exceeded debris for the area and endangered health of surrounding people. Please reinstate stop work order.

Joe Karolys, Route 212 – placing clean fill on property, which has been processed first; DEC has no problem and has tested ground. Also, concerned about quality of water, do not want land polluted. Concerned about proposed solar project because of several discrepancies. Two properties on Fel Qui that would like to develop but with solar project they will be putting up a chain link fence – not neighbor friendly. Willing to work with town for testing to be done.

Adele Zinderman, Town of Ulster – speaking regarding the Animal Shelter and has been working on funding for animal capital fund because of a grant that we missed out on previously. Letters need to be written to governor, senator, assemblyman and this must be done in April. Town of Saugerties Animal Shelter could be eligible for grant for \$500,000.00 because we take care of other communities’ animals. Possible to be done with nothing from taxpayers.

Claudine Heller, Sawood Lane – Town of Saugerties has been monitoring the wells and aware of water situation and has been very diligent to notify neighbors.

Ryan Pearson, Hollow Road, Woodstock – important to know that this is not harming neighbors, it’s better to be safe than sorry, be transparent. Truck traffic has increased.

Tracey Bovett, John Joy Road – environmental engineer for Region 2 DEC and has talked to people responsible. There is no permit but an exemption which allows for private property dumping for only 5,000 cubic yards.

Nejla Liias, Hommelville Road – can the board urge the ZBA to rule earlier on dumping situation? Also, would like to see a noise ordinance.

Joanne Steele, Town of Esopus – with Mid-Hudson Sierra Club and is very concerned about situation; feels it’s outrageous that the board is just sitting there and not doing anything. The police should be pulling these trucks over and inspecting. Run-off water will affect people for a long time.

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

Would like to assure the public that the town board is sympathetic to the dumping situation but it is in litigation; the ZBA will make a decision no sooner than two weeks but within 60 days. We are making progress at Bristol Beach; Tourism will announce the winners of the photo contest; police conducted a forum last week. Regarding the East Light Solar project – the landfill was capped many years ago and we continue to have the surrounding wells tested. The board was in agreement to move a motion forward regarding setting a public hearing on noise.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman Andreassen to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on March 6, 2019; Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on March 20, 2019 and Bid Opening on March 28, 2019 regarding the Highway Department, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General fund	\$145,723.87
General Outside Village	6,929.95
Highway	86,448.32
Capital projects	3,747.50
Ambulance District	63,132.08
Sewer O&M	3,749.85
Water O&M	3,182.26

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Mary McNamara, Recycling Coordinator – positive feedback with the program, in five months at 500 pounds/week the hauler has taken food to the farm to turn it into soil. Doug Myer thanked Mary for taking the lead on this endeavor and all her effort.

Greg Chorvas – concrete has been poured for the electric vehicle stations. Coaches vs Cancer event at the ice rink raised \$15,000.00.

Lisa Stanley – together with the County Clerk, a passport night will be held at town hall on Tuesday, May 14, 2019. If you have questions on what is needed, please contact the county clerk's office.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Andreassen – at the ZBA meeting, approximately 200 people attended, important issue. MS4report is available at town hall. On March 30 attended the Vietnam Veteran Day in Kingston. Water & Sewer board has met and is still looking into flooding.

Councilwoman Thornton – Boys & Girls Club will have a Craft Fair on April 14th at Diamond Mills and on May 7th they will host their dinner and auction. TV23 workshop will be held; CPC is dealing with event venues and short term rentals. STAC is working on options with the thruway entrance and Route 32. HPC member Bill Neiffer passed away recently. Library will be holding Saturday night films. There are petitions located around town for signing regarding a traffic light at Route 32 and Glasco Turnpike, one is at town hall.

Councilman Maclsaac – on March 18th CAC met and will hold a street fair on May 4th; Rec Committee met and Small World Playground has \$3,000.00 left in their fund. Kevin Hinchey spoke on putting a deck and luxury box at the large pavilion and other improvements. Still working to establish better internet speed. Happy to add the motion on a noise ordinance.

Councilman Schoonmaker – on April 13th will announce Susannah Meyer award; on April 11th will meet regarding kitten fostering and April 15th HPC will meet at 5:00 p.m.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Supervisor Costello to set a public hearing date of April 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in regard to amending Chapter 145 of the code of the Town of Saugerties entitled "Historic Preservation Law" pertaining to membership of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Discussion: Councilman Schoonmaker added that this is for alternate members to ensure a quorum.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the proclamations, as on file, regarding the 2019 Sports Hall of Fame Inductees: Robert Dodig, Jr., George Beisel, John Gambino, Gregg Jones and John Parker.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the resolution, as on file regarding a Saugerties Transportation Advisory Council traffic recommendation for the thruway interchange(s).

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that this has been a needed improvement for a long time along with other areas.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the new adoption fees, as on file, for the Town of Saugerties Animal Shelter, per the shelter manager.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Councilman Andreassen to allow the Supervisor to sign the Professional Services Change Order, as on file, for a requested homeowner sampling at the Town of Saugerties Landfill with The Chazen Companies.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that the town does this on an annual basis which is above and beyond the normal testing.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Councilman Maclsaac to approve Samantha Wamsley, as a part time secretary in the Parks & Building Department at a rate of \$15.00 per hour, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello added that Samantha has excellent knowledge of the baseball leagues, a good fit for the department. Thank you to Mary for her time in this position previously.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve the retirement of Sergeant Christopher Helmoortel from the Town of Saugerties Police Department effective April 2, 2019.

Discussion: Chief Sinagra said Chris had 21+ years of service and will be missed.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello to approve promoting Officer Sydney Mills to Sergeant with a stipend of \$4,000.00 as per the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) between the Town of Saugerties and the Town of Saugerties Policeman's Benevolent Association (PBA), effective April 8, 2019.

Discussion: Supervisor Costello said Officer Mills came from the Village when the two consolidated and fit in right away, valuable knowledge.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilman Andreassen abstained)

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton authorizing Superintendent of Highways, Douglas F. Myer to piggyback on Onondaga Co., contract #8996 with Tracey Road Equipment of 115 Railroad Avenue, Albany, NY 12205 for One (1) new 2020 Freightliner 122SD Tractor.

Discussion: Doug Myer said this is replacing an eighteen year old vehicle.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker authorizing Superintendent of Highways Douglas F. Myer to solicit bids and award said bid to the lowest qualified bidder meeting all specifications for One (1) new 2020 5500 Series Crew cab chassis 4x2 equipped with a dump body.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton authorizing Superintendent of Highways, Douglas F. Myer to transfer funds in the amount equal to the remaining debt created by the purchase of One (1) new 2020 Freightliner 122SD Tractor and One (1) new 2020 5500 Series Cab and Chasses equipped with the dump body from Highway Department Fund Balance DBO 1-911 to Capital & Equipment DBO-3-5130.200.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Andreassen, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton authorizing Superintendent of Highways, Douglas F. Myer to declare surplus and no longer of any use to the Town of Saugerties (1) 2001 Peterbilt Tractor VIN #1XPFD9X91S534502 and (1) 2006 GMC 1 ton Dump Truck VIN #1GDJC33U36F225946 and to dispose of said vehicles to the highest bidder via Auctions International.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Costello authorizing Superintendent of Highways, Douglas F. Myer to solicit bids and award said bid to lowest qualified bidder meeting all specifications for Washed Abrasive Screenings, FOB at quarry location, for a term of May 1, 2019 to May 1, 2020.

Discussion: Doug explained that the previous bid can not be extended any further.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton authorizing Superintendent of Highways, Douglas F. Myer to solicit bids and award said bid to lowest qualified bidder meeting all specifications for Municipal Deicing Salt (untreated), FOB at facility location, for a term of May 1, 2019 to May 1, 2020.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Maclsaac, seconded by Supervisor Costello to set a Public Hearing on April 17, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. for the proposed Local Law regarding Noise Ordinance.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Costello, seconded by Councilman MacIsaac to adjourn Town Board Meeting at 9:10 p.m., carried.

Meeting closed with a moment of silence in memory of Bill Nieffer, Lorraine Mason and Colleen Daly.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, April 17, 2019	Public Hearing	5:30 p.m.
	Noise Ordinance	
	Public Hearing	6:00 p.m.
	Amending Historic Preservation Law	
	Pre-Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
	Town Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.

Town Clerk