

### **Pre-Board Meeting of December 28, 2005**

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on December 28, 2005 at 6:15 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:

Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel  
Councilman Tom Macarille  
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton  
Councilman Fred Costello, Jr.  
Councilman Phil Tucker

The following topics were discussed:

Bill for Ron Biscoe Excavating is approved to pay voucher for removal of debris from Fishcreek Road property.

No new status on lease vehicle for Building Inspector's Department. Also, discussion on intern from high school that is interested in engineering field but no money has been allotted in 2006 budget for this.

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### **Town Board Meeting of December 28, 2005**

The Town Board Meeting was held on December 28, 2005 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:

Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel  
Councilman Tom Macarille  
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton  
Councilman Fred Costello, Jr.  
Councilman Phil Tucker

### **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

**Steven Guerin** – problem with animal shelter merger with City of Kingston and Animal Emergency Fund, Inc. The taxpayers are not an ATM machine for the animal shelter. Taxpayer equity - \$20,000.00 shelter expansion is a no win for taxpayers. Not a responsible use for tax dollars.

**Bob DeRuyter** – attended Planning Board Meeting last Tuesday and heard Gasland’s request is adjourned to later date. Still 34 units will be crammed in to two acres because one acre needs to be allocated to stormwater management. Under present zoning, only 26 units would be allowed on a two acre parcel. Also, a neighbor, Mr. Kuriplach is concerned about water run-off and if Gasland has the proper controls.

**SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:**

**Greg Chorvas** – presented awards on behalf of the Town Board to Ken and John Benson and John Mullen. These individuals have given numerous volunteer hours along with materials donated to the Little League, Babe Ruth, Cantine Field complex, Glasco Mini Park as well as many other projects. Al Riozzi was also recognized for his contributions but was unable to attend the meeting tonight.

Supervisor Helmsmoortel thanked Tom Macarille for his hard work the past four years and all the work he has done for the Glasco Mini Park. Tom will be staying on to help on that committee. The Supervisor also thanked Phil Tucker for his service during the four year term and read two letters from Diaz Ambulance commending Phil on his work as liaison with the ambulance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Supervisor Helmsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the minutes of Pre-Board Meeting on December 14, 2005 and Town Board Meeting of December 14, 2005, carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS: none**

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Councilman Macarille** – thanked Town Board and department heads for their support for the past four years. We have worked together to move forward – it has been a wonderful and exciting journey. Welcome to the two new board members and wish them the best of luck.

**Councilwoman Thornton** – Karlyn Elia has final wording for the sign to be erected regarding Veterans who have served during the 20<sup>th</sup> Century at Town Hall. The sign should be erected spring of 2006. Thanked Greg Chorvas and staff for help in picking up equipment for Public Access studio equipment. Next traffic meeting will be January 25, 2006 and next Public Hearing on Winston Farm will be January 23, 2006. Best of luck to Mr. Macarille and Mr. Tucker in their “retirement” as councilmen.

**Councilman Costello** – the ground-breaking ceremony was held this afternoon for the renovations at the Glasco Mini Park. Thanked Councilmen Tucker and Macarille for their help and it has been a pleasure to work with these gentlemen.

**Councilman Tucker** – it has been a roller coaster but it has been a wonderful learning experience and enjoyed being on the Town Board.

**MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Macarille to approve the Certificate of Registration for Gary Mecabe for sewer hook-ups in the Town of Saugerties per Water & Sewer Department.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Tucker, seconded by Councilman Costello to carry over two unused vacation days for Andy McBride an employee for the Town of Saugerties Water & Sewer Department.

Discussion: Supervisor Helmsmoortel noted that this is happening more and more and town board will address this situation and probably put an end to this practice – use them or lose them.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Macarille, seconded by Supervisor Helmsmoortel to authorize John J. Greco, attorney for the Town of Saugerties to commence a legal action on behalf of the Town of Saugerties in Ulster County Supreme Court against Arthur Rennie and Helen Rennie with respect to junk vehicles, motor vehicle parts and related matters located at the Rennie premises on Old Lasher Road in the Town of Saugerties.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Macarille, seconded by Supervisor Helmsmoortel to approve Local Law #9 of 2005 being a local law increasing the maximum income eligibility level for real property tax exemption to a person with disabilities pursuant to Section 459-c of the Real Property Law. The local law shall take effect immediately upon filing and acceptance by the Secretary of State.

Discussion: Supervisor Helmsmoortel noted that this exemption would not be reflected until 2007 tax bills.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helmsmoortel, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to adjourn Town Board meeting, carried.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

<b>Wednesday, January 04, 2006</b>	<b>Reorganizational Meeting</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>
<b>Sunday, January 1, 2006</b>	<b>Swearing-in Ceremony</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>

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