

**PRE-BOARD MEETING – JULY 15, 2015**

The Pre-Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 6:30 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:

Councilman William Schirmer  
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton  
Councilman Fred Costello  
Councilman James Bruno  
Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

Supervisor Helsmoortel spoke to the board about moving three motions forward and all agreed. Also, the Supervisor will sign the UCRRA Contract if it is agreeable.

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Town Clerk

**TOWN BOARD MEETING – JULY 15, 2015**

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, July 15, 2015 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 William Schirmer  
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton  
Councilman Fred Costello  
Councilman James Bruno  
Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

**PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:**

**Dan Erceg – Little Pond Development, Glasco** – lives at 22 Mauro Court and the road still has yet to be complete, the project was started in 2004. Concerned that the developer has no intention to finish. What happens then, if he walks away before the road is turned over to the town? Also, there is a question about curb cuts on some of the properties. Would like to know if concerns are valid. Is there still a Bond in place? How can the developer be held accountable and would like to help.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:**

Gaetana Ciarlante – questioned the cultural virtual maps. In-kind services does not necessarily mean “no cost”. Still there are two motions being added at the last minute, which gives the public no time to prepare/research to ask questions.

**SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:**

Regarding the agenda, we are trying to get it out sooner and are making every effort to do so.

Large powerline going on the thruway and we are trying to intervene but the thruway does not recommend the powerline go as planned.

Sawyer Car Show was once again a huge success. The Siracusano Family gave \$30,500.00 to various needy organizations.

Garden Tour was held on July 11 and also very successful.

Explained the last three motions on the agenda that were put on late.

Getting bombarded with businesses that would like to set-up in our town. We are trying to assist.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting on June 17, 2015, carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

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

General Fund	\$306,972.57
General Outside Village	28,584.86
Highway	202,489.73
Ambulance District	49,846.09
Lighting District	5,305.56
Barclay Heights Sewer	2,475.53
Glasco Sewer	11,770.45
Malden Sewer	5,103.90
Kings Highway Sewer	155.59
Glasco Water	5,603.88
Malden Water	1,813.32
Kings Highway Water	247.31

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Councilman Schirmer** – water tank project is officially underway

**Councilwoman Thornton** – 2015 SHS graduation was filmed and streamed. Sub-committee for Complete Streets met and there was a lot of discussion. CAC meets July 16<sup>th</sup>. Garden Tour consisted of six homes and approximately \$9,000.00 was raised for the Boys & Girls Club.

**Councilman Costello** – Congratulations and thank you to the Siracusano Family. Close to \$10,000.00 has been raised for the new playground. The league has taken over the management of the Saugerties Stallions and ownership will be resolved.

**Councilman Bruno** - read the Building Inspectors report, which is on file. New Economic brochure, thank you Beth! A lot of time and work went into this brochure.

**MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve, per Chief Sinagra and effective July 15, 2015 that the following members of the Saugerties Police Department have been released from employment as a result of their inability to work scheduled shift work as was agreed upon when they were hired: Dispatchers Machel Ferraro, Gary Russell, Samantha Shultis and Brian Woltman.

Discussion: Councilman Costello added that if people aren't available, they should resign to open the position for someone else.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to hire, per Chief Sinagra, Christopher H. Worrada as a part time police dispatcher, effective July 1, 2015 at the starting rate of \$16.20/hour.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Supervisor Helmsmoortel to approve, per Chief Sinagra the hiring of Edward H. Kime as a part time school crossing guard, effective July 16, 2015 at the starting rate of \$12.25/hour.

Discussion: Councilman Costello said Mr. Kime will be replacing Ann Ward at Riccardi School.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to approve the resignation of part time officer Vincent R. Sayles effective July 7, 2015.

Discussion: Councilman Costello said that he has been offered a full time position.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to approve the TV23 committee to be involved with Experience Works employment program on an as needed basis.

Discussion: Councilwoman Thornton added that this is a program for senior citizens to work to be paid by the Experience Works national organization.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the resolution, as on file, adopting the following Section 504 policies and grievance procedures for the Town of Saugerties pertaining to NY Rising.

Discussion: Supervisor Helmsmoortel added that with NY Rising the proper paperwork needs to be in order.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the resolution, as on file, to adopt an affirmative action plan as required under the NYS community development block grant-disaster recovery (CDBG-DR) program pertaining to NY Rising.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the resolution, as on file, approving Brinnier & Larios, PC as the engineer firm for the CDBG-DR NY Rising Community Reconstruction Project, “Replace Culverts at Platte Clove and Wilhelm Roads”.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Costello to authorize the filing of an application under the NYS CFA grant program in an amount not to exceed \$16,000.00 of which the town will contribute in-kind administrative services in support at no cash outlay, to develop a virtual Cultural Resources Map of Saugerties to promote its tourism and cultural assets in keeping with the dramatic rise in these assets in the community in recent years.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schirmer, seconded by Councilman Costello to authorize the filing of an application under the NYS CFA or NYSEDA grant program in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00 to which the town will contribute in-kind services in support at no cash outlay, to replace incandescent and mercury lighting in the Town of Saugerties properties and facilities with LED lighting, at a potential savings of up to \$30,000.00 in utility expenses annually.

Discussion: Councilman Schirmer said they will provide \$75,000.00 for purchase of LED lighting and Councilman Costello said other buildings have gone through similar up-grades.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Bruno, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the town’s Equal Opportunity Employment policy, as on file.

Discussion: Supervisor Helmsmoortel said that the posters are displayed and compliant with federal law but needs to formally be approved.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Bruno to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Saugerties and the Communications Workers of America, as on file.

Discussion: Councilwoman Thornton and Councilman Bruno did negotiations and it was a long time coming; three more to settle.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helmoortel, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to allow the supervisor to sign the new Municipal Solid Waste Management Agreement between the Town of Saugerties and the Ulster County Resource Recovery Agency, as on file (negotiations at the present time are still on going and discussions between the supervisor and individual town board members will be on going).

Discussion: Supervisor Helmoortel said the deadline is approaching and there is only one other town that has agreed to this. We piggy-backed with the Town of Ulster on bidding. More and more of an expense, all the costs are going up. Councilman Costello added that carting from the Town of Saugerties to their facility cost has gone up, changes will be happening. Councilman Schirmer said it is still the cheapest deal – what is the long range goal.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helmoortel, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to adjourn Town Board Meeting at 7:50 p.m., carried.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

**Wednesday, August 12, 2015**

**Pre-Board Meeting**

**6:30 p.m.**

**Town Board Meeting**

**7:00 p.m.**

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Town Clerk