TOWN BOARD MEETING – JANUARY 21, 2009

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, January 21, 2009 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 was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance with the following members present:

Councilman Bruce Leighton
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello
Councilwoman Nancy Campbell
Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Beth Murphy, chair of the Economic Development Committee gave an Economic Development Strategy Presentation, which had a recap of 2008 happenings and the strategy for 2009. The complete presentation is on file in the Town Clerk's Office.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: none

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

The Supervisor appreciates all the work and time EDC has put in for the Town of Saugerties. On January 29, 2009 at 6:45 p.m. at the Saugerties High School auditorium, there will be a very important meeting regarding Winston Farm. Please plan on attending for input and information.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting of January 7, 2009, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

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

General Fund	\$301,366.90
General Outside Village	291,629.58
Highway	161,285.00
Capital Projects	7,962.50
Barclay Heights Sewer	1,739.00
Glasco Sewer	12,709.88
Malden Sewer	5,820.16

 Glasco Water
 139,464.30

 Malden Water
 17,229.95

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Leighton – reported activity for Diaz Ambulance for the month of December 2008 giving 744 hours of coverage with one paramedic, which 117 were life support calls. The Water & Sewer report is on file at the Town Clerk's Office. Just witnessed inauguration of our 44th President and personally would like to promise to continue oath made three years ago as a councilperson.

Councilwoman Thornton – TV23 went totally fiber optic last Friday and also has a new group of graduates. CAC met with Melissa Barry, Consultant and will sponsor workshop of significant land parcel owners. CPC met with Sauer Family to have the home designated. Also, a Stone House Tour will be held May 16th and we are looking for volunteers as greeters.

Councilman Costello – he and the Building and Grounds Department are trying out Encode with voucher system through the internet.

Councilwoman Campbell – Jeremy Kane is taking courses for Building Code Inspector. Claudette Zinkow is able to help with maps regarding GEIS. And in a meeting regarding the quadricentennial, Saugerties is way ahead, check it out at UCQC.org.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to appoint the following individual to the Recreation Advisory Committee for 2009, Faith Dickson.

Discussion: Councilman Costello added that this was an oversight.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Costello to appoint Matthew Phillips to the TV23 Committee as a new town representative.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell abstain)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to appoint the following individuals to the newly created Senior Education Committee for 2009: Renate Belville, Pat Buonfiglio, Ann Buonfiglio, Patrick Cocoran, Eileen Cunningham, Kathy Hanzl, Barbara Kaisik, Richard Phillips, Susan Puretz, Meyer Rothberg, Myrna Sameth and Elaine White.

Discussion: Councilwoman Thornton added that the town board was approached to provide program, workshops, and education to the senior community with no fee.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to increase the Saugerties Historical Society budget line A7510.403 by \$1,000.00.

Discussion: Supervisor explained that when committees were cut in the budget process, did not mean to cut this committee by \$2,000.00.

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilwoman Campbell to appoint Mary "Peg" Nau as the Town of Saugerties delegate for the 2009 Annual Business Session of the Association of Towns of the State of New York to be held in New York City on February 18, 2009 and to cast a vote for the Town of Saugerties for the proposed 2009 AOTSNY Legislative Resolutions, as on file.

Discussion: Supervisor Helsmoortel added that at the next meeting, the board will vote on the resolutions for Peg to relay.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Leighton, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to purchase, for the Transfer Station, an EL-140H Waste Oil Furnace w/250 gallon bench tank from Norki Energy Systems, Inc. at a price of \$6,915.00 and for the funds to be taken out of line item 8160-423.

Discussion: Supervisor Helsmoortel added that the pole barn has no heat now, so it will be better for the equipment and workers.

Vote: Adopted - 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to adopt Local Law No. 1 of 2009 that Local Law Amending Local Law. 4 of the year 1975 entitled "The Town of Saugerties Municipal Code of Saugerties, New York" enacted the Town of Saugerties Municipal Code is amended to add ArticleVII under Chapter 65 to the Municipal Code and the new Article to be known and designated as Right to Farm Law of the Town of Saugerties under Chapter 65 hereby made part of the Saugerties Municipal Code as on file.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to adjourn town board meeting, carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, February 4, 2009 Monday, February 9, 2009	Pre-Board Meeting Town Board Meeting Public Hearing	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.

Town Clerk