

**TOWN BOARD MEETING – MARCH 5, 2014**

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, March 5, 2014 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:**

Engineer Dennis Larios spoke regarding the water tank and the Glasco Sewer District project, which is completed. Tank was inspected by H2M and needs approximately \$850,000.00 work. The tank should have been re-coated back in the 90's. The EPA has agreed to extend the grant for a year or two. Supervisor Helsmoortel confirmed that he received the paperwork today to extend the grant to the end of 2015. Dennis suggested it may be a good idea to replace the tank instead of re-coating and may be able to go to a 500,000 gallon tank. Supervisor Helsmoortel suggested Dennis talk to the Water & Sewer Committee. Residents should write down concerns and ask questions and a public information meeting should be scheduled.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** none

**SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:**

Paul Andreassen has been appointed to the Ulster County Planning Board from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2017. The Tourism Committee is setting up email contact for announcements.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board Meeting of February 19, 2014, carried.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:**

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

General Fund	\$327,174.87
General Outside Village	25,719.15
Highway	132,429.52

Capital Projects	51,839.88
Barclay Heights Sewer	5,125.62
Glasco Sewer	25,693.81
Malden Sewer	7,921.03
Glasco Water	18,124.38
Malden Water	1,607.66

**BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Councilman Schirmer – some committee meetings have been snowed out. Some water bills sent out were incorrect, working to fix the problem. Please contact Water & Sewer Department directly.

Councilwoman Thornton – CPC met with Supervisor Helsmoortel and the committee would like to know of specific projects to look into. Also, explained other ways communities deal with graffiti.

Councilman Costello – congratulate SHS Varsity Basketball on their MHAL win. Police has gone through EVOC and DEP training. Also, K9 grant car and dog has arrived, will begin work shortly.

Councilman Bruno – read the Building Inspector’s report for February 2014, which is on file at the Town Clerk’s Office.

**MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to accept the resignation of Municipal Bookkeeper Deborah Martino effective February 24, 2014.  
Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the hiring of Julie Dunn as the temporary full-time Municipal Bookkeeper at a pay rate of \$20.00 per hour, effective February 26, 2014.  
Discussion: Supervisor Helsmoortel added that Julie worked part time at the tax office and was the previous Treasurer at the Village.  
Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to accept the resignation of part time dispatcher Carol Busch effective February 20, 2014.  
Discussion: Councilman Costello said her schedule was unable to allow her to work.  
Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the salary of Samantha Wamsley, part time clerk in the Tax Office, at a rate of \$11.00 per hour effective February 28, 2014.  
Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Bruno to correct the 2014 salary of the Supervisor's Confidential Secretary through a budget adjustment, so that the current salary is the same as what it was in 2013.

Discussion: Supervisor Helsmoortel explained that this was an oversight in the budget and this will correct the error.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Schirmer to approve the proclamation, on file regarding National Service Recognition Day.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Bruno to set a public hearing date of March 20, 2014 at 5:45 p.m. regarding the Towing Law.

Discussion: Councilman Costello said this is a revision of policy.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Bruno to enter into Executive Session regarding the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof, at 7:45p.m., carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Bruno to exit Executive Session and resume Town Board Meeting at 8:05 p.m., carried.

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to authorize Superintendent of Highways Douglas Myer to secure bids and enter into contract with the lowest qualified bidder meeting specifications for (1) Fabric Membrane Covered Structure with an area not to exceed 8715 sq.ft. providing said bid is equal to or lower than the engineering estimate generated by Brinnier & Larios, PC.

(This structure will be a replacement for the sand/salt storage shed the Highway Department currently uses to store salt and abrasives for winter road conditions. The current shed has been condemned by the town engineers and the Town of Saugerties Building Inspector and must be taken down and removed by May 1, 2014.)

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel authorizing the Superintendent of Highways Douglas Myer to secure bids and enter into contract with the lowest qualified bidder meeting specifications on all applicable concrete and masonry requirements for the placement of (1) Fabric Membrane Covered Structure with an area not to exceed 8715 sq.ft. providing said bid is equal to or lower than the engineering estimate generated by Brinnier & Larios, PC.

(This award will consist of all concrete footings, walls and piers required for said building.)

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Schirmer authorizing Superintendent of Highways Douglas Myer to utilize the Town of Saugerties Highway Department fund balance account #DBO1-911 to satisfy “all” or “remaining” monetary obligations created by all phases of construction related to the Fabric Membrane Covered Structure.

Discussion: Doug Myer said the sand/salt storage is in disrepair, it can only be used for a couple more months. The new one would be larger than the one we have now. Hope to have it up and filled by October. Susan Weeks questioned why don't we use less salt. Doug Myer responded that people want clear roads right away and sand won't do that.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Supervisor Helmsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to enter into Executive Session for two issues regarding matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation and to enter into Executive Session regarding the proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property at 8:15 p.m., carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Helmsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to exit Executive Session and adjourn Town Board Meeting at 9:10 p.m., carried.

**NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:**

<b>Wednesday, March 19, 2014</b>	<b>Pre-Board Meeting</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
	<b>Town Board Meeting</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Thursday, March 20, 2014</b>	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>5:45 p.m.</b>
	<b>Towing Law</b>	
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>
	<b>Affordable Housing</b>	
	<b>Public Hearing</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>
	<b>General Business District</b>	

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Town Clerk