

PRE-BOARD MEETING – APRIL 21, 2021

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Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilwoman Peg Nau
Councilman Mike Ivino
Councilman John Schoonmaker
Supervisor Fred Costello

The board received documentation from the town attorney regarding changing message signs and proposed property maintenance; everyone needs to look this paperwork over and get questions to John Greco.

Town Clerk

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Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilwoman Peg Nau
Councilman Mike Ivino
Councilman John Schoonmaker
Supervisor Fred Costello

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR: none

PUBLIC COMMENT: none

SUPERVISOR’S COMMENTS:

A program was presented earlier by NYStretch to the board by Margo Tompkins; a copy of the presentation is on file at the Town Clerk’s Office. Green & Clean weekends have been very popular, thank you to all participants. The town is seeing benefits from being a Climate Smart community.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to approve the minutes of Pre-Board and Town Board meeting of April 7, 2021; Bid Opening of April 8, 2021 for Highway Department and Town Board Workshop on April 14, 2021, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to approve the bills as presented, carried.

General Fund	\$134,886.20
General Outside Village	7,344.57
Highway	44,973.35
Capital Projects	20,039.51
Lighting District	8,229.02
Sewer O&M	2,088.98
Water O&M	2,532.36
Central Hudson	23,454.38

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Greg Chorvas – Little League had clean-up day, over 50 volunteers came out. Tournament weekends are full. Vandalism has occurred again at the large pavilion and Jaycee Field; cameras have picked up information.

Chief Sinagra – would like the town board to consider a local law regarding marijuana; new law has a loophole. We need to fill the gap with people under 21 to be illegal to possess marijuana. Also, under the previous local laws that were passed, need to be repealed regarding paraphernalia because some are legal now. Nina Schmidbaar questioned fines and if this would give some minors a record.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Schoonmaker – attended the Planning Board meeting; Historic Preservation Commission is working on Asbury District and Ramble to happen the end of summer. Climate Smart would like us to pass NYStretch.

Councilman Ivino – Animal Shelter is doing well and donations are coming in. ZBA is considering tower location in the Mt. Marion area. Residents should get involved with DEP and help the Esopus. The new traffic light at the thruway has not experienced an accident since the new traffic pattern.

Councilwoman Nau – Arts Commission may go through with a Cultural Center, are we ready for it?

Councilwoman Thornton – library website is available along with appointments and other events are happening. Shout out Saugerties is holding an event on April 24 from 3-5pm at the Village Beach. CPC up-date is done for the town and village; it is available on-line. TV23 is looking for pictures, send them in! Fresh fruit and vegetables are available at the senior center on the 4th Fridays of the month. Boys & Girls Club will hold a live and virtual auction on May 21 at Diamond Mills.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve the proclamation, as on file, regarding May as American Legion Poppy Month.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve the 2021 DWI Task Force agreement, as on file, between the County of Ulster and the Town of Saugerties.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Councilman Ivino to allow the supervisor to sign a letter opposing the Ashokan Hydro Dam.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to approve hiring Chris Winters as a Court Security Officer at a pay rate of \$21.00 per hour, effective April 22, 2021.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Nau, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to move Joseph K. Dittus from temporary full time status to permanent full time status, per 2021 Budget, with no increase in current salary, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to add Gillian E. Mills and Ethan Rowles-Naccarato to the Department's part time call out and Summer Youth Recreation Program lists at a pay rate of \$13.50 per hour each, as per the recommendation of the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Schoonmaker, seconded by Councilman Ivino to approve Facility Use and Rental Fees for the Kiwanis Ice Arena's 2021-2022 ice season (on file), as per the recommendation of the Ice Arena Director and the Parks & Buildings Superintendent.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilwoman Nau to approve the Memorandum of Agreement, as on file, between the Town of Saugerties and the Town of Saugerties Policeman's Benevolent Association.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to refund Danielle Heller her building permit fee (minus \$25.00 application fee) per recommendation of Code Enforcement Officer.

Vote: Adopted – 5 Yes

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Schoonmaker to enter into Executive Session in regard to the matters leading to the discipline of a particular person at 7:47 p.m., carried.

Motion made by Councilman Ivino, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to exit Executive Session and adjourn Town Board Meeting at 8:20 p.m., carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

Wednesday, May 5, 2021	Pre-Board Meeting	6:30 p.m.
	Town Board Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 6, 2021	Public Hearing	5:30 p.m.
	EV Charging Stations	

The meeting was closed in memory of Philip Overbaugh, Sr.

Town Clerk