

Present: Mayor Robert Yerick, Trustees Suzanne LeBlanc, Michael Campbell, Kelly Myers, William Murphy, Jeannine Dirie and Richard Moore

Others: Alex Wade, David Radavanovic, Rosemary Brackett, Dave Minch, Penelope Milford, Vinnie McGlaughlin, Prudence See, Richard Frisbee, Donald Hackett, Ed Quirk, Heather Plonchak-New Sau Times, students from the SHS Government Class and others

Mayor Yerick called the second Public Hearing to order at 7:26pm. The purpose of this Public Hearing was to receive comment on the proposed Village Budget for 2009/2010. David Radavanovic spoke saying he was concerned that the Mayor has dismissed the Historic Review Board. He continued to speak until interrupted by the Trustees who advised him this Public Hearing was for comments on the proposed budget. He was assured he would be permitted to speak at the Regular Village Board meeting Privilege of the Floor portion immediately following this Public Hearing. Heather Plonchak asked if there have been any changes to the proposed budget presented at the last Board meeting. Trustee Moore answered it has remained the same awaiting anticipated public comment at this hearing. Penelope Milford spoke asking how the public could be better informed regarding the budget. She suggested that a forum be held by the Board explaining the budget to the public at a separate meeting. She would like to be better informed about the hearings. The Clerk explained that the notice of Public Hearings are published in the New Saugerties Times, displayed on TV23 and talked about in Village Board minutes displayed on the Village website. She went on to read the Notice of the Public Hearing. Trustee Campbell suggested that if Ms. Milford did not see any of the notices already in place, how did she think she would see a notice of a “forum”? Mr. Campbell said the only way to be sure all residents were aware of Public Hearing is by mailing the notices to Village residents. He said that idea was much too costly. Trustee Julie Dunn informed the residents that the Budget is prepared every March and April with the Public Hearing always the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of April with the vote on the Budget taking place the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of April. She suggested that anyone who was really interested should mark his or her calendar for 2010. Ms. Milford suggested that an agenda for meeting be published in advance. Mayor Yerick said the Board would take all her comments under advisement. A student from the Government Class asked if the budget in front of the Board tonight would be the one voted on. Trustee Moore explained that there might be changes in the proposed Budget before the final Budget is presented and voted on April 20<sup>th</sup>. Motion was made by Trustee Moore, seconded by Trustee Murphy, to close the Public Hearing. Carried. Mayor Yerick closed the Public Hearing on the Budget at 7:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Frank  
Village Clerk