



VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES  
43 PARTITION STREET, SAUGERTIES, N.Y. 12477

## Village Board Meeting Minutes February 6, 2017

**Present:** Deputy Mayor Jeannine Mayer, Trustees, Terry Parisian, Brian Martin, Vince Buono, Don Hackett, Alex Wade, **Absent:** Mayor Murphy, Jeff Helmuth **Others:** Robert Ford, Joe Bisignano, 2 HS students

Deputy Mayor Mayer called the Village Board to order at 5:00 pm.

Trustee Parisian led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### Privilege of the Floor

Joe Bisignano addressed the Board regarding his participation in the Homebuilt Heaven America's Award Contest for antique trucks.

He has won the first prize in the Homebuilt America's national award. He won with 2268 vote, 109 ahead of the second place winner. Joe was very grateful and thanked everyone for voting, he said the Village and Town Boards have been terrific.

Trustee Buono had a correction to the January 17<sup>th</sup> Board meeting minutes. On page 2 of the minutes, part of his report was from the **Economic** Committee not the Environmental Committee. Deputy Mayor Mayer also had a correction to her report from the Chamber of Commerce on page 3, stating they would **consider** paying for the electric not that they would pay for the electric for the charging stations.

**Trustee Martin made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 17, 2017 Village Board meeting with corrections. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parisian to approve the minutes with corrections. Motion carried unanimously.**

Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for February 6, 2017:

- General \$ 72,695.23
- Water \$ 21,489.08
- Wastewater \$ 16,895.35

Trustee Buono questioned whether or not the charge for the fire truck ladder aerial inspection was a yearly inspection. Trustees Hackett and Parisian both confirmed that it is a fee for a required yearly inspection.

**Motion was made by Trustee Hackett, seconded Trustee Martin to approve the Abstract. Motion carried unanimously.**

Trustee Hackett had nothing new to report.

Trustee Martin had nothing new to report.

Trustee Buono had nothing new to report.

Trustee Parisian had nothing new to report.

Alex Wade presented his report for Special Projects. See attached.

Mr. Wade stated that it took months to get the contract signed by the State. A resolution for the sidewalk repairs is to be voted on tonight to declare the Villages as Lead agency for SEQR.

Deputy Mayor Mayer reported Judith Specktor and Barry Benepe, founders of the Farmers Market, approached her, to bring the idea of moving the Farmers Market for the upcoming season, to the Board. They are proposing that the Farmers Market move to the intersection of Main Street and West Bridge Street near the Speedy Mart and M&T Bank. They feel they would get more exposure in this location

than at the present Main Street parking lot area with more people shopping in the Village. The tents would be set up in the street and the street would be closed to vehicle traffic.

Alex Wade mentioned that there may be a problem with the UCAT buses that operate in that area but may be able to be rerouted onto First and Livingston Streets. Some of the merchants may be upset with the parking issue. Also, that Main Street is a State road and permission to close the road would be required.

Trustee Hackett stated the UCAT bus is on a limited schedule on Saturdays. How does Kingston handle Their Farmer's Market?

Trustee Martin is concerned with the Dr. offices on West Bridge Street and emergency vehicles.

Deputy Mayor Mayer stated she sent an email to the police chief but has not heard back yet. She has suggested that they inquire about possibly use the Reis parking lot again.

Trustee Parisian mentioned that the present location on Main Street is always busy and cars parked everywhere.

Discussion continued regarding street closure and parking. Deputy Mayor Mayer questioned whether or not the Board wanted to vote on it or leave it for further discussion and review. Trustee Parisian stated that the issue has too many unanswered questions to consider. A vote is not necessary just a consensus of the Board is that it is not supportive of the move.

The Chamber of Commerce guest speaker was Alex Rappaport. Mr. Rappaport made a presentation regarding starting an aquatics center in Saugerties, similar to the ice arena. He is looking for a level of interest in the community. He wants to involve the Health Alliance and include pool exercise and swim teams. Mr. Rappaport is looking for people to serve on a committee to look into building a Saugerties Health and Aquatic Facility. It is the very beginning stages.

- March 5<sup>th</sup> is the meeting to meet the artists at New World
- March 10<sup>th</sup> – Discover Saugerties Booklet deadline – May 1<sup>st</sup> distribution
- June & August – Concert series on First Fridays will be 6:30 at the Reformed Church
- July & August - Concert series on First Fridays will be at the Kiersted House
- Feb 22 – Chamber meeting at New World – Speaker Susanne Hotlts with the UC Economic Development Committee

**Resolution #4 of 2017 – Tree Commission Grant**

Trustee Hackett questioned the 25% - which is an in-kind agreement-not a matching grant.

**Deputy Mayor Mayer made a motion to approve Resolution #4, seconded by Trustee Hackett. Roll vote called – Mayor Murphy and Trustee Helmuth absent and all others were yes votes-resolution #4 passed.**

**Resolution #5 of 2017 – Bluestone Sidewalk Repairs**

The Village declares itself as lead agency of the SEQR.

**Deputy Mayor Mayer made a motion to approve Resolution #5 and the Village act as lead agency, seconded by Trustee Martin. Roll vote called – Mayor Murphy and Trustee Helmuth absent and all others were yes votes-resolution #5 passed.**

**Resolution #6 of 2017 – UC Emergency Response Team Coop Agreement**

Trustee Buono asked if there is a cost associated with the agreement. Deputy Mayor Mayer and Trustee Parisian confirmed there is no cost to the Village.

**Deputy Mayor Mayer made a motion to approve Resolution #6, seconded by Trustee Hackett. Roll vote called – Mayor Murphy and Trustee Helmuth absent and all others were yes votes-resolution #6 passed.**

**Resolution #7 of 2017 - UC Regional Gang Enforcement narcotics Team Coop Agreement**

Trustee Hackett mentioned that there is more oversight with UC District Attorney's office.

**Deputy Mayor Mayer made a motion to approve Resolution #7, seconded by Trustee Parisian. Roll vote called – Mayor Murphy and Trustee Helmuth absent and all others were yes votes-resolution #5 passed.**

**Motion was made by Trustee Hackett to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Martin. Carried unanimously. The Village Board Meeting adjourned at 5:27 pm. Next meeting February 21 at 5pm.**