



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

## Village Board Meeting & Public Hearing Minutes October 2, 2017

**Present:** Mayor Murphy, Trustees Brian Martin, Don Hackett, Vince Buono, Terry Parisian, Deputy Mayor Jeannine Mayer, Jeff Helmuth, Alex Wade

**Others:** Joe Maloney, Bill Kemble, Maryanne Wrolsen, Bob Gallenz, Al Bruno, 4 High School students

**Mayor Murphy** called the **Village Board Meeting** to order at 5: 30 pm.

**Deputy Mayor Mayer** led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **Privilege of the Floor**

Maryann Wrolsen, 1 Elm Street, stated that now that the speed limit has been lower on Washington Avenue and traffic has slowed down, the cars are racing down Elm Street. Maryann suggested speed bumps. Mayor Murphy answered that speed bumps are not allowed and that we addressed the speeding on Elm and Market Streets two years ago with the Stops signs. Ms. Wrolsen asked, what happened to the display sign that had been on the Elm Street? Mayor Murphy responded that the speed display sign had been on Elm Street two weeks ago and that it rotates to various streets once per month. Mayor Murphy would inform Chief Sinagra about the speeding cars on Elm Street and ask to have the speed display sign on Elm Street more frequently.

Bob Gallenz, The Mill, 55 East Bridge Street, inquired as to the number of attendees at the Garlic Festival this past weekend. Deputy Mayor Mayer responded that the attendance on for the Garlic Festival on Saturday was approximately 14,000 and on Sunday was 16,000.

**Mayor Murphy presented the Minutes from September 18, 2107.**

**Deputy Mayor Mayer made a motion to accept the minutes of the September 18, 2017 Village Board meeting. Motion was seconded by Trustee Parisian to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for October 2, 2017:**

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| • General    | \$ | 44,511.55 |
| • Water      | \$ | 7,621.97  |
| • Wastewater | \$ | 17,638.66 |

**Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the Abstract for October 2, 2017, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mayer to approve the Abstract. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Alex Wade-** See attached his report for Special Projects. The Bluestone Sidewalk Repair project has gone through a DOT staff change and has been delayed yet again. Not sure if we are still on target for next Spring.

The Waterfront Revitalization Program policy/guide is in the process of being revised.

**Trustee Parisian** reported that Bob Fanelli and the DPW crew installed a flashing traffic light on the top of Canoe Hill by the DPW garage in place of the Caution sign. The electric will be permanently be installed by Bob Kelly. Thank you to Chief Sinagra for donating the light. This should help to maintain safety in this area. Mayor Murphy added that a second flashing light is available. It could possibly be installed on the opposite side of Canoe Hill.

**Trustee Helmuth** reported that he went over the plans for the Montross Parking lot with the Mayor and Trustee Hackett. It does not look feasible or worth it.

Trustee Helmuth will be reading the Shout Out Saugerties proclamation at the opening ceremony on Saturday October 7<sup>th</sup> at 4pm.

Trustee Helmuth is on the Mum Festival Committee and praised George Terpening and Deputy Mayor Mayer on the tremendous work they do for the Mum Festival.

**Deputy Mayor Mayer reported –**

- The Garlic Festival had a successful turnout.
- Mum Festival on October 8<sup>th</sup> 12 -5 pm. Mum bowl HS football game is on Saturday 3:30pm.
- Shout Out Saugerties Festival of Arts has a website that lists the activities on weekends during October. Kickoff on Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> at Lucky Chocolate 4:00pm. [shoutoutsaugerties.org](http://shoutoutsaugerties.org)
- The Chamber of Commerce sponsored Visitor Center is doing well. 47 visitors on Saturday

**Trustee Hackett** The issue of the sinkhole on the corner of Washington Avenue and Robinson is being monitored. The sewer lines had been camera-ed with the help of cameras from the Town of Ulster. The results are being brought to the engineer for review.

Trustee Hackett thanked Trustee Helmuth for his work on the Montross Street property and suggested that it be put on the market for sale. Since, the Village can't use the lot as a parking area, it will be back on the tax rolls and it is a buildable lot.

Mayor Murphy suggested listing it with Grist Mill Realty or try privately.

**Trustee Martin** had nothing new to report.

**Trustee Buono** reported that the Transportation Committee reconvened and discussed the bike sharrows again. The painting had been put off until Central Hudson's project had been completed. Trustee Parisian stated that the DPW has the paint, stencil and the route where the sharrows are to be painted. The painting will be done in the spring. The Committee is pleased with the improvements on Washington Avenue to slow down the traffic.

The Town's Bristol Beach project is waiting for grant money. The goal is to not have any cost to the taxpayers.

Al Bruno with the STAC committee would like to present information regarding a parking proposal.

Mr. Bruno will contact the Village Clerk to be put on the meeting agenda.

Chief Sinagra will be replaced on the STAC committee by Officer George Castalano. Officer Castalano has noticed that there are several cars in the municipal parking lots that are parked for long periods of time without moving. There are several that have been there for months at a time. He would like to see a law put into effect that would require the owners to move their vehicles more frequently from the municipal lots. Currently there is no Village law regarding long term parking as long as the vehicle is registered. Longer term parking is necessary in the winter months when there is no parking on the streets overnight. After some discussion, it was decided to have Officer Castalano come to a Village Board meeting to explain his position on the long term parking issue. And how it would be enforced.

**Resolution #18 – Conveyance of Alleyway to Persico** (Revised version that includes a provision for an egress for 7 Montross Street).

**Mayor Murphy made a motion to approve Resolution #18. Motion seconded by Deputy Mayor Mayer. Roll vote called - all yes votes. Resolution #18 passed.**

**Mayor Murphy requested a moment of silence be observed for the Las Vegas concert shooting victims and their families.**

**Trustee Hackett made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Helmuth. The motion carried unanimously. The Village Board Meeting adjourned at 5:34 pm.**