



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

Village Board Meeting Minutes May 15, 2017

Present: Mayor Bill Murphy, Deputy Mayor Jeannine Mayer, Trustees, Terry Parisian, Brian Martin, Don Hackett, Jeff Helmuth, Vince Buono, George Terpening, Mike Hopf, Eyal Saad, Bob Fanelli, Alex Wade, Fire Chief Chris Wade, Police Chief Joseph Sinagra

Absent: Mike Marino

Others: Robert Ford, Bill Kemble, Ed Quirk, Mary McNamara, Chris Allen, Dinah Carlson Neals, 18 students

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

Trustee Hackett led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Privilege of the Floor

Dinah Carlson Neals was present to address the Trustees.

Ms. Neals is the sister of Robert Carlson who was struck and killed by a car on Partition Street 3 years ago. She addressed the Board again regarding pedestrian safety in the Village of Saugerties. Even after the improvements to the crosswalks at the intersections, Ms. Neals feels there is a need for more signage. One free standing pedestrian sign on Main Street is not enough. Unfortunately, cars and pedestrians do not follow the crosswalk signs. Traffic at 30mph is too fast.

Mayor Murphy stated that the Village have made a lot of changes with signage and there are signs at every crosswalk plus 3 freestanding signs. The Chief, the Board and Mayor have been very proactive regarding pedestrian safety. Some of the changes are not possible due to restrictions by NYS. All crosswalks need to be ADA compliant and a crosswalk on Partition Street by Jane Street has been attempted but not possible.

Trustee Helmuth remarked that the new traffic lights at the Main and Partition Street were ill designed and are not in a proper position. The lights should be over the intersection and the arms at a 45° angle. Chief Sinagra stated that the caution sign would be legal to be put up around the Village to warn drivers that they are coming into a high pedestrian area.

All drivers and pedestrians need to be more cautious and aware when walking or driving through the Village.

Trustee Parisian made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 1, 2017 Village Board meeting. Motion was seconded by Trustee Don Hackett to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for May 15, 2017:

- General \$ 124,020.32
- Water \$ 5,850.45
- Wastewater \$ 6,083.58

Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the Abstract for May 15, 2017, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mayer to approve the Abstract. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Sinagra gave his report for Police Department. See attached report.

Signs have been placed on all vehicles in the Municipal parking lot to warn them of the lot being closed on Tuesday May 16. The lot is being restriped. The parking meters on Partition Street will not be enforced on Tuesday only since the parking lot will be closed.

Chief Wade gave his report for the Fire Department. See attached report.

Bob Fanelli presented his report for the Department of Public Works. See attached.

Washington Avenue, from Main to the High School, paving has been changed from July 5th to July 6th – July 19th. Residents will be notified by letter and signage will be in place in mid-June.

The Municipal parking lot will be closed on Tuesday for restriping.

Trustee Buono inquired if the DPW would be getting help from other Municipalities with the Washington Ave. paving. Bob Fanelli said that various municipalities will be helping with the paving. Mayor Murphy thanked Bob for doing a nice job trimming a large branch on Virginia Ave.

George Terpening gave his report for the Building and Grounds Department. See attached report. The CRZ project at the Village Beach is complete and the project at Tina Chorvas Park is set to begin. A new bulk head and kayak launch. The Fire House doors are connected to the emergency generator so they will be functional in a power outage. Lifeguard positions are available. Mayor Murphy may have 4 applicants for lifeguard positions. A reminder that No Pets are allowed at the Village Beach and the Lions Club playground. It is a health hazard for patrons of the beach. It is an ongoing problem and we ask for the public's cooperation. Tina Chorvas Park and Seamon Park are pet friendly parks.

Eyal Saad gave his report for the Building and Safety Department. See attached. Grass maintenance is enforced as of May 15th through September 15th. The grass cannot be over 10 inches. Evergreen Construction did a good job on the Beach project. The Lighthouse Project has some permitting issues. We are working with the DEC. We are waiting for pricing for the bulkhead at Tina Chorvas Park. Trustee Buono asked what work was completed at the Beach. Eyal stated that the project included, shore line stabilization, culvert relocated, boat ramps are now concrete, new docks, planting trees, and erosion prevention by planting a larger grass area. Docks are 25 meters apart which will allow for future swimming lanes. The parking lot has been paved and striped. Thank you to DPW for their help with the parking lot. Signs are being updated.

Mike Hopf gave his report for the Water Department. See attached report. A new hydrant was installed and the Beach along with replacing the standpipe. Hydrant flushing will take place the week of June 5th. Paperwork to allow access onto Winston Farm has been signed as of late this afternoon. The CRZ project will move forward now. The 2016 water quality report has been completed. They are available on the Village website and at the Village office. The annual fishing tournament will take place May 21st – 9am -12noon. The reservoir has been stocked with fish.

Alex Wade presented his report for special Projects. See attached. Mr. Wade commented that the changes to crosswalks and parking spaces normally take up to 2 years to complete. Problems with the bump-outs at the Main and Washington Ave still have not been corrected. Parking on lower Partition Street is being requested again. The line will be moved to the center of the street and allow for parking on both sides of the street. There are more businesses in the area. NYS has said no twice in the past. Meters will be installed when approved. The resolution is a start to push for the parking.

Ulster County Legislator Chris Allen spoke regarding the Collection of delinquent property taxes by the County. There are only 3 Villages that Ulster County does not collect delinquent taxes - New Paltz, Ellenville and Saugerties. The Ulster County Legislature will have a vote to have a Public Hearing to make these Villages whole. Chris Allen will do research as to why the Villages are not whole and get back to the Village.

Trustee Parisian had nothing new to report.

Trustee Helmuth had nothing new to report

Trustee Buono had nothing new to report. We are waiting on a response from NYS regarding the parking on lower Partition Street. More discussion is required.

Trustee Martin presented an application for membership into the Fire Department by Aiden Hughes.
Mayor Murphy made a motion to approve Aiden Hughes for membership to the CA Lynch Hose Company.
Motion to approve Aiden Hughes to the CA Lynch Hose Company seconded by Trustee Parisian.
Motion passed.

Trustee Hackett presented report for the Wastewater Department for Mike Marino. See attached report.
The Planning Board approved an extension to the site Plan for Bottini Fuel.

Deputy Mayor Mayer reported the Mum Festival Committee held their first meeting. A convertible is needed for the Mum Queen and her court for the July 4th parade.

- Several business owners have formed the Saugerties Historic Business Association. They attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting to see how they could partner with the Chamber to benefit all the business in the Town and Village. Currently they have Facebook page- Saugerties Scene.
- The Discover Saugerties guide is available.
- The horses will be on display at SPAF on Sun May 21st at 5pm. Open to the public. The horses will be installed by the DPW by Memorial Day weekend.
- The Farmers Market will open for the season on Saturday May 27th.

Mayor Murphy requested to set up a year - end meeting with Treasurer Helene King on Wednesday May 31st at 12noon. Four members of the Board must be present. Trustee Hackett, Martin Buono and Mayer will be able to attend. An email will be sent out to confirm.

Mayor Murphy presented Resolution # 11. The Village will be Lead Agency and precluded from the environmental review for the sanitary sewer relining and repair of the sewer system in Main Street.

Mayor Murphy made a motion to approve Resolution #11 – Lead Agency for Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project seconded by Trustee Buono. Roll vote called - all yes votes-Resolution #11 passed Motion was made by Trustee Hackett to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Parisian. Carried unanimously. The Village Board Meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm. Next meeting June 5 at 5pm.

Lisa Mayone
Village Clerk
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