

Present: Mayor William Murphy, Trustees Jeannine Mayer, Vincent Buono, Brian Martin, Patrick Landewe and Kelly Myers

Absent: Trustee Don Hackett

Others: Eyal Saad, George Terpening, Mike Hopf, Bob Ciarlante, Dave Mason, Robert Ford – New Sau Times, and SHS students

Mayor Murphy called the Board to order at 7:00pm. Trustee Myers led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Murphy congratulated Trustee Kelly Myers on her election as the Town of Saugerties Supervisor. The Board all wishes her success in her new position.

Mayor Murphy advised the Board and public that the NYS Comptrollers audit report of the Village of Saugerties from June 1, 2009 – November 10, 2010 has been published. Copies are available at Village offices. Trustee Buono commented that it was a good report overall. The Comptroller recommended the Village update procedures and design an IT Policy. Trustee Buono and Mayor Murphy complimented Treasurer Julie Dunn for her fine work.

Mayor Murphy presented the minutes of the November 7, 2011 Village Board meeting. Motion was made by Trustee Buono, seconded by Trustee Mayer, to approve the minutes. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for November 21, 2011: General - \$154,143.51; Water - \$98,078.80; Wastewater - \$100, 273.75. Trustee Mayer asked if the totals for the Abstract were larger than usual. Trustee Buono replied the totals include the annual payment to the NYS Retirement System. Motion was made by Trustee Mayer, seconded by Trustee Martin, to approve the Abstract. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Landewe advised the Village Board that the Planning Board has accepted an application from Lee Schackne/Paraco for site plan approval and for a Special Use Permit. The applicant wishes to construct a new office building and install two 30,000 gallon propane tanks at 251 Ulster Avenue. A public hearing has been scheduled for December 14th at 6:30pm. The Historic Review Board will meet on December 7th at 7:00pm. Trustee Landewe attended a meeting regarding the joint application with the Town regarding a Trails Grant. He also attended a Trails Conference in New Paltz – that conference discussed the economic benefits, quality of life issues and more of building a connecting trail network in the Hudson Valley. The Waterfront Revitalization meeting has been rescheduled to the spring.

Trustee Myers reported that the DEP and the DEC have submitted a new proposal to concerned communities along the Esopus. They propose to have regular releases of turbid water into the release channel for 10 months of the year to allow the Ashokan Reservoir to be at 90% capacity. The Village's Waterfront Advisory Committee does not

accept this proposal. The Committee wants to see a permanent long term solution. The lower Esopus is very affected by these releases – the Committee wants the waste channel closed. Trustee Myers will share their opinions with the Lower Esopus Watershed Partnership. However each municipality has different issues – Town Supervisors are meeting with the DEC. Trustee Buono asked if the Coast Guard in Saugerties has an opinion on the issue – Trustee Myers replied that the areas closer to the end of the Esopus are not as affected. The LEWP wants to look at the last 20 year history to develop a plan. More discussion took place.

Bob Ciarlante presented the DPW report (copy attached). Leaf pick-up will end on November 28th. Maintenance work on trucks and equipment is ongoing. The DPW assisted the Water Department with repair of a leak at Land & Sea Restaurant.

Eyal Saad presented the Building Department report. 90% of the GIS mapping of the Village is complete. Maps should be available in January 2012. The Diamond Mills Hotel and Convention Center is nearing completion.

Trustee Landewe advised the Village Board that the Historic Review Board has pointed out a discrepancy in the local Historic District map and the map that is on file with NYS. The HRB would like the Village Board to approve changing our local map to match the NYS map. Eyal Saad recommended that the Village Board change the Local Law to say the HRB should follow the map on file with NYS. Trustee Landewe will discuss the issue with attorney Alex Betke.

George Terpening presented the Buildings and Grounds report (copy attached). The crew is busy getting Seamon Park ready for the lighting ceremony on December 4th.

Mike Hopf presented the Water Department report (copy attached). The Department now has the ability to determine how much water is in the 3 million gallon water tank at all times.

Chief Dave Mason presented the SFD report (copy attached). The SFD will replace light bulbs on the holiday lights in the business district before December 4th. The SFD and fire companies from neighboring districts will participate in the Holiday Light Parade on December 4th. Motion was made by Trustee Myers, seconded by Trustee Mayer, to approve the use of the CA Lynch truck for the annual “Candy Run” on Christmas Day. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono advised the Board that there was nothing new to report regarding the SAMA committee. He attended a recent Economic Development Committee meeting where the successful “Shine on Saugerties” event was discussed. He attended the grand opening of Big Lots – the store will have 51 employees. He asked the public to consider helping with the feral cat trap/spay/neuter program in the spring.

Alex Wade presented his Special Assignment report (copy attached). He inquired if the Board was ready to discuss the one way street proposal. Mayor Murphy would like to

consult with the Town regarding Robinson Street. He is concerned that Cantine Field traffic could be adversely affected. Trustee Buono suggested having one side of the street parking on Clermont and Post Streets instead of one way traffic. More discussion is needed.

Trustee Mayer attended the Comprehensive Plan Committee meeting and advised the Board that a new planning consultant will be working on the Plan with Dan Schuster. TV23 is working to correct an audio problem with Time Warner. \$24,000.00 was raised by the "Shine on Saugerties" event. The Sawyer Motors Car Show has been scheduled for July 8, 2012. Holiday in the Village is December 4th from 1:00pm to 6:30pm with special events scheduled throughout the day. Events include horse drawn wagon rides, the World of Dance performance; Sawyer Motors will hold 4 drawings for toy giveaways for children, the Fireman's Light Parade, the lighting of Seamon Park and more.

Motion was made by Trustee Buono, seconded by Trustee Mayer, to adjourn. Carried unanimously. The Village Board adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Frank
Village Clerk