



VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES

43 PARTITION STREET
SAUGERTIES, N.Y. 12477

**Village Board Meeting
Minutes
April 7, 2025**

Present: Mayor Murphy, Trustees: Deputy Mayor Mayer, Brian Martin, Don Hackett, Terry Parisian, Vince Buono, Andrew Zink

Others: Paula Kerbert, Ed Quirk, Bill Kemble, David Radovanovic, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Gavner, Shay Monteverdi from Park Mobile

Absent:

PUBLIC HEARING

TENATIVE VILLAGE BUDGET 2025 – 2026

Dave Radovanovic (100 Dock Street) have some questions about some expenses. Mayor Murphy summarized by not raising taxes in the ten years, we did not have a fund balance. The Fiscal score from NYS Comptroller's office is 0 – 100, 0 being the best score. Last year was 85, the score has come down due to working with NYS Comptroller's office, creating a fund balance, raising taxes last year which the Village has not done for over ten years and that is why we arrived at the score last year. The score is based on a three weighed average. The biggest expenses Village health insurance went up. Dave asked about having a Village Justice, the Village Board cannot act on any decisions with a sitting Judge, term end in 2026. Judge Rightmyer has been acting as Judge and so is Stan O'Dell who is back up; we need to have two. Dave asked what CHIPS is, Mayor Murphy explained that it is revenue, we submit our repairs for Village Roads, and we are reimbursed by CHIPS. The Village is not responsible for the State roads in the Village, the State maintains those roads. Dave asked what is BAN? Mayor answered that it is a loan, Bond Anticipation Note, Mayor Murphy explained as we had to get a BAN when the new Fire Truck was purchased, and it is paid back overtime. Dave said another thing, crossing guard? I would assume that someone could do that job as a part time job, Mayor Murphy said it's been 15 years. Dave asked is it needed. Mayor Murphy stated you cannot put a price on children's safety. Another question is Park's fairly significant, is it salary or is it expenses. Mayor Murphy stated that our Parks got a bit behind, and we are now in the process of upgrading at Seamon Park house, the wall at the house, Tina Chorvas docks, work done at the beach. The money was received by a Bond, for Capital projects. Dave asked what percentage on these loans? Treasurer responded 5 to 8 percent, Dave asked what the duration is, Treasurer responded 10 years, 15 or 20 depending on how long. Dave had a few more questions, Treasurer stated Dave could call her anytime with questions. Dave appreciated that but would like to get everyone's input on his questions. Mayor stated that there is a new barn installed, house will be painted, fountains being repaired. Trustee Parisian also added maintenance at Donlon Hall. Mayor Murphy stated that Donlon is not funded by the Village. Mayor Murphy raised through his youth programs, raised money also by sponsorships. Dave asked about tickets, the Police write the tickets for the Village, the Village receives that money at no expense to the Village.

Mrs. Gavner (67 Finger Street) asked about the ownership of Seamon Park. Do we own it as a Village? Mayor Murphy The Seamon Park Trust Fund owns, the Trust was established over eighty years ago, they give money for Mums. The Village owns the house, the Village does the maintenance and maintains the Seamon Park house. Mrs. Gavner asked about parking with the weddings at Seamon Park if there were reception. There is parking at the top, and we can look at that in the future. The buildings are owned by the Village. Mrs. Gavner said thank you. Mayor Murphy asked if there were any other questions.

Mayor Muphy made a motion to close the Public Hearing for the Village Tentative Budget for 2025 - 2026. Trustee Parisian seconded the motion to close the Public Hearing for the Village Tentative Budget for 2025 – 2026. All in favor, motion carried.

Regular Session

Mayor Murphy opened the Village Board meeting at 5:30pm.

Trustee Hackett led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Privilege Of The Floor

Dave Radovanovic Mike Hopf has been great explaining, Mayor you saw the last correspondence. My concerns are for summer, the smell of the Wastewater Plant. When are the improvements coming? Dave asked, there is a grant, the Mayor stated that the Village has to match it with a Bond. Dave wanted to know who is going to be in charge of going forward?

Dave stated that there are parts missing, the digester parts are included with the repairs with the grant Trustee Hackett stated. It's a residential area, Dave stated he didn't want to hear that he bought property next to wastewater. Dave stated you know what the culprits are, is it a matter of expense? The Mayor stated that the original wish list was \$9 million to repair the entire plant, we got it down to \$5 million. Trustee Hackett stated we are under our limit of our million gallons, we only take in around 400,000 gallons. Trustee Hackett said it's under used and that it can also contribute to the odors. The maintenance can also contribute to the odors. Trustee Hackett also stated that they are you are in a residential area, and we are doing the best we can.

Trustee Parisian made a motion to move Park Mobile presentation after the Privilege of the Floor since the presenter traveled from New Jersey. Trustee Zink second the motion to move Park Mobile presentation after Privilege of the Floor since the presenter traveled from New Jersey. All in Favor, motion carried.

Shay Monteverdi / Park Mobile signing the contract to go live is about 45 days. Trustee Parisian stated a lot of questions were around the software setting up, modification and different zones. Mayor Murphy stated the meters would stay up for a year and have a transition period. Village residence you set up a permit fee and the enforcement team would be aware of the process of permits. Trustee Mayer said it would be the same as handicap permits. Trustee Mayer asked about the overnight parking. Mayor Murphy stated currently 9AM – 5PM Monday thru Saturday. If you wanted to change that current time Shay said it can change the policy in the back end. Trustee Parisian could change Zoning prices. Shay stated that if several streets are in a Zone, and you turn off parking, it will take off of the streets within that Zone. Trustee Hackett said to recap, it's an app and you don't use a kiosk. Trustee Buono asked about maintenance, Shay stated its software it would not be on the Village, you will be assigned an account manager. Trustee Parisian also mentioned how to mark out, number what is recommended, Shay said it's really up to you.

Trustee Parisian made the motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes from March 17, 2025. Trustee Hackett seconded the motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes from March 17, 2025. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstracts for April 7, 2025

• General	\$ 61,861.54
• Water	\$ 25,751.89
• Wastewater	\$ 34,399.51
• Capital Fund	\$ 31,398.46

Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the Abstracts for April 7, 2025. Trustee Zink seconded the motion to approve the Abstracts for April 7, 2025. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Town and Village Shared Services Agreement

Resolution # 4

See attached. Trustee Buono noted the last paragraph change the "Town of Saugerties" to the "Village of Saugerties. Mayor Murphy made the motion to approve the Town and Village Resolution # 4 with the amended changes. Trustee Hackett seconded the motion to approve the Town and Village Resolution # 4 with the amended changes. All in Favor, motion carried.

Roll call:

Mayor Murphy Y

Trustee Parisian Y

Trustee Zink Y

Trustee Buono Y

Trustee Hackett Y

Trustee Mayer Y – write in

Ulster County Foreclosures

Resolution # 5

Mayor Murphy made a motion to give permission to Ulster County to collect taxes on the list of foreclosure properties in the Village of Saugerties. Trustee Parisian seconded the motion to give permission to Ulster County to collect taxes on the list of foreclosure properties in the Village of Saugerties. All in Favor, motion carried.

Roll call:

Mayor Murphy Y

Trustee Parisian Y

Trustee Zink Y

Trustee Buono Y

Trustee Hackett Y

Trustee Mayer Y

Treasurer Report – See attached.

Trustee Reports

Trustee Parisian – Nothing to report, I do have a concern, and I would like to see, we need as a Board to hold the Town Police for more patrols in the Village. We need a dedicated Patrol car in the Village. People know that there isn't a Police presence in the Village. Friday night cars were parked in No Parking from Orpheum to the crosswalk, across the street is a Police parking spot and never see a car there. Presence helps curtail; I don't see any presence. Mayor Murphy stated he does see the presence; I am in the Village every day all day. Trustee Parisian stating that if Police presence would help with rolling through stop signs. The presence of Sheriff's, State are in the Town, we still need a dedicated car in the Village. Mayor Murphy will call Chief KJ Swart in the AM. Trustee Hackett suggested a constable for the Village. Mayor will invite Chief KJ Swart to the next Village Board Meeting. Trustee Mayer said that the protesters said the Police Department did a great job. Trustee Zink stated a descent amount of presence, at the Church. I would like to address the staffing issues. Trustee Parisian said he feels Chief KJ Swart is doing a great job, he's under the radar.

Trustee Zink – Planning Boarding meeting on Wednesday, next meeting will have something to report.

Deputy Mayor Mayer – Mike Campbell adding our agenda on the website, Mary McNamara has added information on Earth Day. River Circus is coming down the Hudson River and they would like to stop at Tina Chorvas Park on September 2, 2025, to perform. I spoke to Patrick, and he talked to them. Trustee Hackett stated that they will perform, and the residents will not be able to fish. Trustee Hackett wants this approved by the Village Board. At the Chamber's meeting, EV stations added to Discovery Saugerties Map, the Visitor center to open and close. April 30th is the next meeting.

Trustee Hackett – Eyal will bring the on-loan Harvester to NJ, drop it off to another municipality. Later this month Eyal and Mike will be driving to Wisconsin to bring the new one back. Tree Commission tree planting at the High School. We had collapsed line on Montgomery, DPW went to 9 feet, and then decided to request larger equipment from Merrit and found another collapsed line. This line will be relined.

Trustee Martin – April 4th, annual elections, they stayed the same. Emails being sent to the Village Board for Chief Nights 4/25/2025..

Trustee Buono – Nothing to report, but a question about what the state was doing at the bottom of the hill, Mayor stated it was not the state, it was Tom Struzzieri contractor.

Oath of Office read by Village Clerk for

Mayor William E Murphy

Trustee Brian Martin

Deputy Murphy Jeannine Mayer

Trustee Andrew Zink

Trustee Hackett made a motion to Adjourn the Village Board Meeting. Trustee Zink seconded the motion to Adjourn the Village Board Meeting. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:44PM.

The next Village Board meeting is April 7, 2025, at 5:30PM

Peggy Melville Village Clerk April 10, 2025

TREASURER'S REPORT

April 7, 2025

We received the check from the county for the unpaid taxes for 2024. We received \$53,803.44. All taxes for 2024 are paid in full.

I am working on getting the next CHIPS submission ready for May. We will probably be getting around \$100K. We will get the payment on June 25th.

The new award letter for CHIPS will be coming out as soon as the state budget is adopted.

Paula Kerbert

Treasurer

Resolution #4
Amended

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR
TO SIGN A CONTRACT FOR SHARED WATER, SEWER, PARKS,
RECREATION AND BUILDING SERVICES ON
BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES

At a meeting of the VILLAGE Board of the Village of
Saugerties, held at the 43 Partition Street, on the 17th of
April, 2025.

The following resolution was offered for adoption by
Mayor Murphy, which resolution was seconded by
Trustee Hackett

Resolution authorizing the Supervisor of the Village of
Saugerties to permit the Superintendents of Saugerties Water and
Sewer Department and the Parks, Recreation and Buildings
Department to share services with the Superintendents of the
Village of Saugerties Sewer (Wastewater) Department, and Parks,
Building and Grounds Department, for the borrowing or lending of
materials and supplies and the exchange, leasing, renting or
maintaining of machinery and equipment, including the operators
thereof, for the purpose of aiding the Village of Saugerties
Superintendent of Water and Sewer and Superintendent of Parks,
Recreation and Buildings in the performance of their duties.

WHEREAS, the Village of Saugerties has the power and
authority to contract for the purpose of renting, leasing,
exchanging, borrowing or maintaining of machinery and equipment,
with or without operators, with other municipalities; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Saugerties has the power and
authority to borrow or lend materials and supplies to other
municipalities; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby determined that by renting, borrowing,
exchanging, leasing or maintaining machinery and equipment and the
borrowing or lending of materials and supplies, the Village of
Saugerties may avoid the necessity of purchasing certain needed
machinery and equipment and the purchasing of or storing a large
inventory of certain extra materials and supplies, thereby saving
the taxpayers money; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Village Board of the
Village of Saugerties to give the Superintendents of the Water
and Sewer Department and the Parks, Recreation and Buildings
Department and the authority to enter into renting, exchanging,
borrowing, lending or maintaining arrangements with the
Superintendents of the Village of Saugerties Sewer (Wastewater)
Department, Water Department and Parks, Buildings and Grounds
Department without the necessity of obtaining the approval of the
Village Board prior

to the making of each individual arrangement; and

WHEREAS, it is hereby determined that it will be in the best interest of the Village of Saugerties to be a party to a shared services agreement with the Town of Saugerties;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the Village of Saugerties is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the Village of Saugerties, a shared services agreement with the Town of Saugerties in substantially the form attached to this resolution.

Upon a roll call vote, the vote is as follows:

Mayor Murphy Trustee
Parisian Trustee Zink
Trustee Buono Trustee
Martin Trustee Hackett
Deputy Mayor Mayer

Yes	No
Yes	No
Yes	No
Yes	No
Yes	No
Yes	No

I, Clerk of the Village of Saugerties, hereby certify that the above is a correct text of the resolution adopted by the Village of Saugerties on the 7th day of April, 2025.

Peggy Melville
Peggy Melville
Village Clerk



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Village Board of Trustees
Resolution # 5 of 2025

WHEREAS, the County of Ulster (the "County") is authorized to levy and collect taxes upon parcels of real property located within the County; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Saugerties (the "Village") is located within the County and is authorized to levy and collect taxes on parcels of real property located within the Village; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Village are each designated as a "tax district" in NYS Real Property Tax Law §1102(6); and

WHEREAS, NYS Real Property Tax Law §1150 authorizes tax districts to make agreements with one another with respect to any parcel of real property upon which they respectively own tax liens in regard to the disposition of such liens and the avails thereof; and

WHEREAS, the County has commenced a proceeding in the NYS County Court for the County of Ulster, pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Article 11, to foreclose the lien of real property taxes which remain delinquent after the expiration of two years following the lien date as prescribed in Real Property Tax Law §1110; and

WHEREAS, certain of the parcels of real property described in the County's foreclosure Petition are situated within the Village, upon which tax sale certificates were issued to the Village for reason of the delinquency in payment of Village real property taxes and which remain unredeemed; and

WHEREAS, the County has presented the Village with a proposed AGREEMENT RELATING TO ENFORCEMENT OF REAL PROPERTY TAX LIENS, a copy of which is annexed hereto (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides, in sum or substance, that the Village shall be paid from the proceeds of the sale of those parcels identified in the Agreement's Schedule, in an amount equal to the unpaid real property taxes, together with any additional interest accruing thereon from and after May 1, 2025, and if the funds received upon such sale are insufficient to pay all amounts owed to both the Village and the County (including interest) any funds received shall be shared by

the County and the Village *pro rata*; and

WHEREAS, the Village attorney has reviewed the Agreement, deemed it compliant with the Real Property Tax Law, and adjudged that the Agreement is sufficiently clear and unambiguous as drafted.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The terms of the Agreement are fair and reasonable, and in the best interests of the Village and its residents.
2. The Board of Trustees hereby determines to accept the terms of the Agreement.
3. The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Village, and deliver the executed Agreement to the County.

Mayor Murphy Y

Deputy Mayor Mayer Y

Trustee Buono Y

Trustee Hackett Y

Trustee Martin Y

Trustee Parisian Y

Trustee Zink Y

Peggy Melville April 7, 2025