



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

Village Board Meeting Minutes March 20, 2017

Present: Mayor Bill Murphy, Deputy Mayor Jeannine Mayer, Trustees, Terry Parisian, Brian Martin, Don Hackett, Jeff Helmuth, Eyal Saad, Mike Hopf, Mike Marino, Bob Fanelli, Alex Wade

Absent: Vince Buono, George Terpening

Others: Robert Ford, Ed Quirk, Bill Kemble

Mayor Murphy called the Village Board to order at 5:02 pm.

Trustee Helmuth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Privilege of the Floor

No one was present from the public to address the Board.

Trustee Hackett made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 6, 2017 Village Board meeting.

Motion was seconded by Deputy Mayor Mayer to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Deputy Mayor Mayer presented the Abstract for March 20, 2017:

- General \$ 18,311.54
- Water \$ 1,990.09
- Wastewater \$ 7,081.68

Motion was made by Trustee Hackett, seconded by Trustee Parisian to approve the Abstract.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Murphy presented the tentative budget for 2017/2018. The mayor is confident that we can keep the budget at zero. The Board should review and make recommendations where necessary.

Mayor Murphy made a motion to set a Public Hearing for the tentative budget on April 3 at 5:00pm.

Trustee Hackett seconded the motion to set a Public Hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

Mike Marino presented his report for the Waste Water Department. See attached.

Benson Steel has been rebuilding one of the conveyers. The cost is approximately \$10,000 for replacing it with stainless steel.

There has been interior work being done at the plant including building a new lunchroom table.

An electrical wiring issue with 2 exposed conduits has been fixed by Richers Electric and a new receptacle installed.

Eyal Saad presented his report for the Building Department.

The CRZ funding to the Tinas Chorvas Park and the beach is being finalized with the engineers. The beach project is to be started once the weather permits.

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

Results from the sidewalk project has been printed. A large report with a photo of every piece of bluestone is included in the report. A CD of the report has been requested. The work should start in late September.

Mike Hopf presented his report for the Water Department. See attached.

Thank you to Eyal and the Greene County dive team for inspecting and cleaning the intake screens.

I have received a reply from Ben Neidel regarding the request for a water supply line to William Swart on Railroad Avenue. According to Village law there is discretion as to sharing the cost of the installation. The homeowner would be required to pay a portion of the cost of the main and then cost to hook up.

Chief Sinagra presented his report. See attached.

Chief Sinagra thanked the DPW and all departments with the great job they did during the recent snowstorm. The Chief was in the Village for the entire storm and was very impressed with the DPW's work in keeping the streets passable. Other cities were not plowed as well as the Village.

There will be a program at the Senior Center regarding disaster preparedness on Wednesday, March 22 at 6pm. On Thursday, March 23rd a donated new AED will be installed and a Senior CPR class at 1pm.

Crosswalks and pedestrian safety is important. Chief Sinagra would like to ask the Board to consider purchasing more crosswalk signs.

Bob Fanelli presented his report for the Department of Public Works. See attached. Street cleaning had been started at the end of February. That was before the huge snowstorm.

The snow cleanup went well. All the snow on the streets in the business district has been removed from the curbs with minimal overtime. Thank you to my DPW crew, the Mayor, office staff and the assistance from other departments with the plowing and snow removal. The Town and private haulers helped with cleanup in the business district. Everyone worked very hard.

Mayor Murphy thanked all the departments for pulling together to help with the snow cleanup. Special work crews help clean out drive ways for many residents. There were several business that were appreciative of the cleanup efforts.

Trustee Parisian thanked Bob for coming back early from his Florida vacation and for the tremendous job he and his department did.

Mayor Murphy stated that several residents with plows offered to help the Village plow. A lot of good people in our community willing to work together.

Trustee Hackett had nothing new to report.

Trustee Helmuth reported on the International Sculpture Day is scheduled for April 24th. Fay Wood is no longer heading the project due to medical reasons. Alan Goolman is in charge now and is working with the Village and Town. The sculptures will be on display in various galleries and restaurants throughout the Village. There will be no sculptures on Village property. This will most likely become a larger event in the coming years. No Village insurance coverage is needed. They are requesting help with transporting and setting up several large sculptures. They are located on Phillips Road and they needed to be transported to Bella Luna's restaurant. A trip to see the 4 sculptures would be necessary to determine what equipment and manpower that would be needed to move the art pieces. An appointment will be made with Jen the week of the 27th for the Mayor and Bob Fannelli for the trip. The Villages donation to the project this year will be work in kind and dollar amount to be determined for next year.

Trustee Parisian had nothing new to report.

Great job, Bob and crew.

Trustee Martin had nothing new to report.

Deputy Mayor Mayer reported that the Revolving Loan Committee has received and approved an application for a café and ice cream soda shop at 31 Market Street from Jeffery and Debra Rua.

New rates for the revolving loan will be publicized in April.

TV23 waiting for approval on rate cards for selling banner ads.

There will be an Open House at the Senior Citizen Center, 207 Market Street on March 25th – Solarize Saugerties.

The next Chamber meeting will be at Barn on the Pond on March 29th at 6:30.

Ulster County Health Department is holding a seminar on ticks and lyme disease at the Sr. Center on April 20th at 7pm.

Resolution #8 of 2017 - Parkinson Awareness Month Proclamation

Mayor Murphy made a motion to approve Resolution #8, seconded by Trustee Parisian. Roll vote called –Trustee Buono was absent and all others were yes votes-resolution #8 passed.

Deputy Mayor Mayer inquired if we had responded to Ms. Yeo regarding the offer of her home for sale to the Village.

Trustee Parisian asked whether or not we are going to pursue it any further.

Mayor Murphy stated that she would need to pay for a fair market value appraisal and present it to the Board.

Deputy Mayor Mayer mentioned that a few people have asked about the leave bag proposal. Trustee Parisian said there has been no final decision whether or not the bags will be used.

The overnight parking ban has not been extended. If there was a snow emergency it would have been.

Election is Tuesday March 21st.

Trustee Parisian stated there is a sinking manhole on Hill Street. Who is responsible for repairing?

Bob Fannelli responded that since it is a NYS road it is Department of Transportation responsibility.

Alex Wade will call the local special projects representative from DOT tomorrow morning to report the sinking manhole cover.

Mayor Murphy will work with Mike Hopf to prepare a response to Mr. Swart regarding the waterline to his property on Railroad Avenue.

Motion was made by Trustee Hackett to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Parisian. Carried unanimously.

The Village Board Meeting adjourned at 5:43 pm. Next meeting April 3 at 5pm.

Lisa Mayone
Village Clerk
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