

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

# Village Board Meeting Minutes May 17, 2021

Due to the COVID19 pandemic and the Governor's Executive Order 202 regarding open meetings, this meeting was held via Webex. Connection information was broadcast online for residents to participate.

**Present**: Mayor Murphy, Deputy Mayor Mayer, Trustees Terry Parisian, Don Hackett, Brian Martin, Vince Buono, Supervisors: Eyal Saad Others: Alex Wade, Paula Kerbert, Bill Kemble, Andrew Zink

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

Mayor Murphy led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### Privilege of the Floor

There was no one on the call that had any questions or comments for the Board.

## Mayor Murphy presented the Village Board Meeting Minutes from May 3, 2021.

**Mayor Murphy** made a correction to the May 3<sup>rd</sup> Village Board meeting. Andrew Zink was left off the attendants present.

Deputy Mayor Mayer made a motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes from May 3, 2021 with the change to attendance. The motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes from May 3, 2021 with the change to attendance was seconded by Trustee Buono. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

## Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for May 17, 2021:

General \$ 61,807.36
 Water \$ 5,865.49
 Wastewater \$ 7,350.68

Mayor Murphy made a motion to approve the Abstract for May 17, 2021. The motion to approve the Abstract for May 17, 2021 was seconded Trustee Hackett. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

### **Reports**

**Eyal Saad** – Reported for the Building Department. Report attached.

**Mayor Murphy** had contacted Eyal on Sunday regarding a property on West Bridge Street that has overgrown grass and debris in the yard. DPW will be notified to address. The grass/vegetation violations can be issued now, beginning May 15<sup>th</sup> through September 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Village attorney has responded with options for the action that can be taken regarding the derelict property on Dock Street. A meeting to discuss the options will be arranged with Mayor Murphy and Trustee Hackett.

The MS4 reports are completed and will be submitted by the end of the week.

Eyal has taken over the supervision of the harvester. There are 2 applicants that will be scheduled for training. The harvester is at the DPW department for maintenance and minor repairs.

**Alex Wade** – Reported for Special Projects. Report attached.

The Indian Point Power Plant is shut down and another plant had a fire. Warnings are being issued regarding possible power outages this summer. Generators are recommended.

**Trustee Hackett** – reported for the Wastewater Dept. Report attached.

The sewer main lining/repair project at Main Street and Cedar Street has been postponed. The engineers are modifying the scope of work. There is no digging required on Main Street only on Gurth Lane. Street closures have changed. The project time will be confirmed once it is rescheduled.

The Tree Commission and Trustee Martin met at the Montross Street lot. The existing tree needs to be trimmed. The Tree Commission will have some ideas on how to utilize and landscape the lot. **Deputy Mayor Mayer** questioned whether the bus stop is required to remain on the lot. After discussion it was determined that the bus stop belongs to the Village and there is no other place to locate it at this time. **Trustee Hackett** stated that it is good to have Eyal Saad in charge of the harvester this season.

**Trustee Martin** reported for the Fire Department. See attached.

Trustee Parisian reported for the DPW Department. See attached.

Mayor Murphy will contact Mike Ivino, J&J Tree Service, regarding the tree in the wires at Sauer Field.

**Trustee Buono** questioned what the status is on the Union negotiations and the Federal COVID Relief money.

**Mayor Murphy** stated that Union negotiations lawyer, Bill Wallens and Union Representative Mike Luftring had both been unavailable. Arrangements will be made this week.

The COVID Relief money is not available to us until the Town receives their portion.

**Trustee Buono** announced that the American Legion will have their Memorial Day event on Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at the Legion Hall, John Street.

Mike Hopf – Water Dept. Report attached.

**Mayor Murphy** announced that the Annual Youth Fishing at the Blue Mountain Reservoir will be held this Sunday, May 23, 2021 from 9am – 12noon.

## **Deputy Mayor Mayer** reported-

- The new beach sign with the dedication has been ordered and proofs will be available for approval.
- The club signs are still not completed and have been unable to contact.
- The Mum Queen and Court were honored at the first HS Varsity baseball game on Saturday night. The car and driver for the Mum Queen and Court for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade have been found.
- Picnic tables and port-a-potties will be set up at the Reis parking lot for Friday May 21<sup>st</sup>. The HS
  Seniors will be having a Promenade throughout the Village. Local restaurants and businesses are
  offering specials and discounts to participating seniors.
- The Chamber is completing the tourist map. The Chamber is considering issuing Saw-bucks which will be like a gift certificates to be purchased and then used in local participating businesses.
- The Arts Commission is looking for a member to replace Katie Cokonos. They will be focusing on social media and starting to produce Saugerties History stories.

**Mayor Murphy** stated the PTSA is sponsoring the Promenade for the Senior Class. The committee including Jeannine have worked hard putting this event together.

The Kiersted House will be open for formal pictures, Dancing Tulips will have a flower arch for photos, several restaurants have \$20.21 specials and discounts, free golf at Puttin Plus, the food court and the Village will be decorated for the event.

Ulster County's Mobile COVID vaccination bus will be available on Saturday and Sunday at the Reis parking lot for free COVID shots.

**Mayor Murphy** scheduled the year end meeting for Thursday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Three Trustees will be required for a quorum. The meeting will be Webex and live. A confirmation email will be sent out to all Trustees.

Mayor Murphy made a motion to approve Joule as the administrator for the Community Choice Aggregation project. Deputy Mayor Mayer seconded the motion to approve Joule as the administrator of the Community choice Aggregation project. The motion passed unanimously.

In person Board meetings may possibly start July 6<sup>th</sup>.

Trustee Hackett made a motion to adjourn the May 17, 2021 Village Board Meeting seconded by Trustee Parisian. The motion carried unanimously. The Village Board Meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.

The next Village Board meeting is Monday June 7, 2021 at 5:30 pm via Webex. <a href="https://villageofsaugerties.my.webex.com/join/bmurphy">https://villageofsaugerties.my.webex.com/join/bmurphy</a>

Lisa Mayone Village Clerk May 21, 2021