

Village Board

October 18, 2010

Present: Mayor William Murphy, Trustees Suzanne LeBlanc, Vince Buono, Kelly Myers, Patrick Landewe, Jeannine Dirie and Don Hackett

Others: Alex Wade, Bob Ciarlante, George Terpening, Joe Bisignano, Eyal Saad, Anthony Bell and students from the SHS Government Class

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

Mayor Murphy welcomed the students to the meeting and instructed them to ask questions throughout the meeting.

There was no one present who wished to address the Board.

Mayor Murphy advised the Board that Saturday night's Zombie Crawl on Main and Partition Streets was a good success. No problems were reported by the Police Department. The Mayor attended with his 7-year-old daughter and they thought the costumes were great. The Zombie Crawl was good for Village bars and restaurants. Thanks to "Captain Cruella" for organizing the event.

Mayor Murphy presented the Minutes of the October 4, 2010 Public Hearing and Village Board meeting. Motion was made by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Trustee Hackett, to approve the minutes. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for October 18th: General - \$20,199.46; Water - \$2,921.16; Wastewater - \$13,462.65. Motion was made by Trustee Landewe, seconded by Trustee Dirie, to approve the Abstract. Carried unanimously.

DPW Superintendent Bob Ciarlante presented the DPW report (copy attached). Tree work is ongoing. A drainage project on Dock Street is underway to correct an erosion problem.

Trustee Myers reported that the Tree Commission has compiled a list of trees that need attention and a list of locations for replacement trees throughout the Village. She distributed the list to the Board.

Eyal Saad presented the Building Department report (copy attached). He advised the Board that blasting for the Partition Street Project has begun and he is closely monitoring the blasting. Business and multi-family fire inspections will begin in November.

Trustee LeBlanc reminded the Board that the ZBA would hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday 10/17 at 7:00pm for an area variance for a residence on Dock Street.

Fire Chief Anthony Bell presented the SFD report (copy attached). The Halloween Parade is Friday October 29th at 6:00pm.

Trustee Myers complimented the SFD for their participation in the recent EMS Day at Cantine Field.

Trustee Hackett presented the Wastewater Department report (copy attached). The Department continues to work on the odor control problem at the plant.

George Terpening presented the Buildings and Grounds report (copy attached). The Mum Festival was a good success.

Trustee Landewe reported he continues to meet with the Seamon Park Board and the Historic Review Board on various projects.

Alex Wade presented his Special Assignments report (copy attached). The Pedestrian Improvement Project should go out to bid by year-end. The Stormwater Separation Project reimbursement money should be arriving from NYS soon.

Trustee Dirie reported the Zombie Crawl was a successful event. The Cahill School race is this weekend. She reported a complaint regarding bicycles on sidewalks in the business district. Trustee LeBlanc complimented the Farmers Market on the successful “Harvest Dinner” series. Trustee Myers reported a successful benefit held for the victims of the recent fire on Partition Street.

Trustee Buono reported that the Hors’n Around Auction raised around \$30,000.00. The Economic Development Committee will conduct a survey asking Village businesses a series of questions. Plans are underway for the Town’s 200th anniversary. The SAMA Committee is still pursuing getting Trailways buses closer into the Village.

Mayor Murphy presented Resolution #9/2010. This resolution supports the request of the Village Justice Court to apply to the Justice Court Assistance Program for financial assistance. The resolution was seconded by Trustee Dirie and carried unanimously.

Trustee LeBlanc advised the Board that she would present the revised “trash law” at the November 1st Board meeting for a vote. Please review the law and be prepared to vote at the meeting.

Mayor Murphy spoke to the students in attendance thanking them for coming. He also said that Saugerties is a wonderful place to live and raise a family. He said he hopes they all have successful college experiences but encouraged them return to Saugerties to work and live.

Joe Bisignano advised the Board that there was a water line leak on Route 212 – it was quickly repaired. The chemistry of the water at the plant is changing presenting a challenge for his department. Flow testing on the Kings Highway waterline and hydrant flushing in the Village was performed last week without incident.

Trustee LeBlanc asked why the water in the Esopus Creek was so brown. Trustee Landewe explained that the Ashokan Reservoir is releasing water into the creek causing the brown water.

Motion was made by Trustee Buono, seconded by Trustee Myers, to adjourn. Carried. The Board adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Frank
Village Clerk

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