

Village Board Meeting

Minutes

April 4, 2016

Present: Mayor Murphy, Trustee Brian Martin, Trustee Terry Parisian, Trustee Vince Buono, Trustee Don Hackett, Trustee Patrick Landewe, Deputy Mayor Jeannine Mayer
Treasurer Helene King, Ed Quirk, Robert Ford, Resident Virginia Davies

Mayor Murphy called the Public Hearing to order at 5:00 pm.

Mayor Murphy presented the preliminary 2016-17 Village Budget.

CHIPS funding has been restored in the Mayor's budget. Trustee Parisian mentioned that last year's budget increased slightly due to the storm. Trustee Hackett said that they are still looking over the Wastewater budget.

Mayor Murphy said that the General budget is very tight and that Helene did a tremendous job. Helene thanked the Mayor and said that it is a "team effort".

There was no one from the public to make a comment regarding the budget.

Trustee Buono said the budget would be finalized by the April 18th Village Board meeting. Helene said that there may be some tweaks before April 18.

Mayor Murphy made a motion to close the Public Hearing at 5:05 pm. Motion seconded by Deputy Mayor Mayer. Motion carried, Public Hearing closed.

Regular session of the Village Board meeting opened at 5:06pm.

Trustee Parisian led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Privilege of the Floor

Virginia Davies asked if roads will be paved after the Central Hudson project is done.

Mayor Murphy confirmed that the roads would be paved after the completion of the Central Hudson project sometime in July or August. The Mayor remarked that the Central Hudson project was started much earlier due to the mild weather and is going faster than anticipated. There had been a few issues regarding flagging and working past dark. Trustee Buono mentioned that Mullen's flag men are all very good. Mayor Murphy said he had one complaint from a Washington Avenue resident and none from five other streets that have been completed. Trustee Hackett thanked the Mayor for addressing the complaint issue as quickly as he did.

Trustee Parisian stated that he and Bob Fanelli will negotiate with Central Hudson so that instead of patching the streets, they may be able to pave the entire street. Market Street is scheduled to be paved first.

Mayor Murphy stated that Central Hudson is providing a new gas service for the entire Village and pipes they removed where old cast iron pipes – improving the infrastructure of the Village. So far Central Hudson is ahead of schedule and may be able to complete before our busy summer season.

Oath of Office

Mayor Murphy administered the Oath of Office to the newly re-elected Trustees – Vincent Buono, Donald Hackett and Terry Parisian. The Trustees stood as Mayor Murphy read the Oath of Office. All Trustees and Mayor signed in the Oath of Office registry.

Trustee Hackett requested that the minutes from March 21, 2016 be amended to include a statement he made regarding the Mill PILOT program. The statement should be – *Trustee Hackett is not in favor of the extension of the Mill PILOT because he felt that Mr. Puntillo would be back every 15 years to request another extension.*

Motion made by Trustee Landewe to accept the Village Board Meeting Minutes from March 21, 2016 as amended. Seconded by Trustee Buono. Motion carried.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstracts;

- General Fund \$ 36,115.84
- Water \$ 6,558.31
- Wastewater \$ 14,227.83
- Special Short Lived Assets \$ 15,753.10
- Special Short Lived Assets \$ 3,175.17

Motion made by Trustee Hackett to accept the Abstracts, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mayer. Motion carried.

Mayor Murphy presented the Mill PILOT extension request for discussion and final vote. He stated that many emails back and forth confirm that the Trustees are not in favor of the extension. Mr. Puntillo tried to sway us into approving by threatening to sell the property to a not for profit group.

Do you approve the request for the Mill PILOT Extension?

Trustee Hackett – NO

Trustee Martin – NO

Trustee Buono – NO

Trustee Parisian – NO – stated that he wanted everyone to be aware that the current PILOT will stay in effect for the remaining 15 years of the agreement.

Trustee Landewe – NO – stated that the Village Attorney advised that if the extension was approved, the PILOT would exceed the statutory limitations.

Deputy Mayor Mayer – NO

Mayor Murphy – NO – Mr. Puntillo has the option to switch to a 581. Ultimately the Town of Saugerties can overrule our decision but they have assured us that they would support our decision. The extension would be unfair to the taxpayers of the Village of Saugerties.

The request for extension of the Mill PILOT has been denied.

Mayor Murphy presented a request from the Saugerties Fish and Game Club to host a fishing tournament at the reservoir again this year. Trustee Buono made a motion to approve the use of the reservoir by the Saugerties Fish and Game Club for their fishing tournament. The motion seconded by Trustee Parisian. Motion to carried.

Trustee Parisian had no report other than to remind residents that Spring cleanup would be starting the week of April 18th through the 22nd. Please no piles of leaves and nothing on the street before Wednesday the 14th. Trustee Hackett asked how the DPW made out with plowing the snow with

vehicles parked in the road. Trustee Parisian said that they were able to maneuver around the parked vehicles and road work equipment. Trustee Parisian stated that he would like to address the parking issue to be more of a snow emergency than ban on overnight parking at another time.

Deputy Mayor Mayer reported that the Saugerties Chamber of Commerce had their meeting at Diamond Mills with Kevin Hinchey as a guest speaker. Mr. Hinchey spoke about the Saugerties Stallions schedule will begin June 1st through July 31. They have 25 home games and 25 away games planned. They will also be sponsoring a 2 week baseball camp for boys and girls.

Mayor Murphy stated that Mr. Hinchey would like to have community involvement. The players will run the camp and are looking for sponsors. The Excel gym has offered free membership to the Stallions players. Trustee Parisian said that they are looking for host families for players. Trustee Buono inquired as to how many hosts are needed. Trustee Parisian stated that 6 to 8 families are needed to house players.

Deputy Mayor Mayer met with the previous year's board of the Mum Festival and will have the information for the Mayor.

The Revolving Loan Committee needed additional information on an application which was received and forwarded on for review.

Trustee Hackett did not have a report.

Trustee Martin did not have a report.

Trustee Buono thanked Helene for her hard work on preparing the budget. Trustee Buono asked the Board to take a good look at the budget and let us know if there are any questions.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Trustee Hackett, seconded by Trustee Buono.
Meeting Adjourned at 5:25pm.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2016 at 5:00pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Mayone
Village Clerk

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