

Village Board

February 19, 2013

Present: Mayor William Murphy, Trustees Vince Buono, Terry Parisian, Brian Martin, Jeannine Mayer, and Patrick Landewe

Absent: Trustee Don Hackett

Others: Robert Ford – New Sau Times, Bob Ciarlante, George Terpening, Mike Hopf, Eyal Saad, Steve Filak, Alex Wade, Ed Quirk and others

Mayor Bill Murphy called the Village Board to order at 700pm. Trustee Martin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Murphy presented the minutes of the February 4, 2013 Village Board meeting. Motion was made by Trustee Buono, seconded by Trustee Martin, to approve the minutes. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for Feb 19, 2013: General - \$40,869.18; Water - \$4,586.79; Wastewater - \$14,935.65. Motion was made by Mayor Murphy, seconded by Trustee Parisian, to approve the Abstract. Carried unanimously.

Mike Hopf presented the Water Department report (copy attached). Water was shut off for a water main break on Cross Street – the owner is responsible for repair. Brinnier & Larios is investigating installation of a new water and sewer main on Teetsel Street and a water main for Cole Place. Trustee Parisian asked how much water can the Water Department supply for future development. Mayor Murphy replied that the Town of Saugerties limit is 600,000 gallons of water per day – if they need more, it will be up to the Town to find it. The Village is working with Brinnier & Larios to develop a secondary water source.

Bob Ciarlante presented the DPW report (copy attached). The DPW has serviced 7 snow events so far this winter. Snow removal in the Business District was done on Feb 13th in the early am hours. Signage has been installed for one way traffic on Russell Street. Mayor Murphy complimented the DPW for a great job with the snow removal in the Business District.

Eyal Saad presented the Building Department report. January was a slow month for his department. ID badges have been issued to all employees. The old Crown Vic that once belonged to the PD and then the Building Department has been sold at auction for \$500.00. Safety meetings are held monthly for all employees – he is hoping to do driver training in the near future. He would like to begin a discussion of the parking meters in the alleyway entering the Municipal Parking lot. Since the new Mirabella's has built a patio where a sidewalk used to be, the parking in the alley has become an issue because it narrows the driving lane. Mayor Murphy suggested that perhaps parking be limited to delivery trucks. Further discussion is needed.

George Terpening presented the Buildings and Grounds report (copy attached). The aging playground equipment is the hot topic. George would like to form a committee to discuss funding sources to replace the equipment.

Lt. Steve Filak presented the Police Department report for January 2013 (copy attached). There were 260 calls for service in the Village in January. The PD is monitoring the Russell Street one way traffic. Parking on Washington Avenue in front of the Methodist Church needs to be reexamined. Trustee Parisian asked if local stores are in compliance with the law banning “bath salts”. Lt. Filak responded that all stores are complying.

Alex Wade reported that he will attend an upcoming UCTC meeting. He is compiling a chronology on the Dragon Inn.

Trustee Martin presented the SFD report (copy attached). The SFD responded to 25 alarms in January.

Trustee Parisian reminded residents that it is against the law to plow snow from sidewalks or driveways into the street.

Trustee Landewe advised the Board that the Planning Board discussed a modification to the site plan for Diamond Mills that included a new lighting plan for the parking lot. The ZBA meets on Feb 26 and will discuss 2 area variance applications. He and Eyal have met with planner Dan Shuster to discuss some changes to the Zoning Code. A printing error was discovered in the Zoning Code Table and will be corrected ASAP. Trustee Landewe advised the Board that the application for a grant for archiving building department records, maps and other paper documents is almost complete. He also reported on the Ashokan reservoir – the snow pack is at 88% and storage in the reservoir is at 90%.

Trustee Mayer advised the Board that the Comprehensive Plan Committee will hold a Public Hearing on March 12 at 6:30pm at the Senior Center. The changes to the Comprehensive Plan include comments on housing, climate change, fracking, casinos and more. All residents are urged to participate. The next Chamber meeting is scheduled for Feb. 26th at Sue’s Restaurant.

Trustee Buono asked the DPW to replace several badly faded “no parking” signs on Jane Street. He reminded all Trustees and Department Heads that budgets are due soon.

Mayor Murphy advised the Board he would like to enter Executive Session to discuss a financial issue. Motion was made by Trustee Parisian, seconded by Trustee Mayer, to enter Executive Session. Carried unanimously. The Board entered Executive Session at 8:00pm and returned at 8:35pm.

Motion was made by Trustee Buono, seconded by Trustee Mayer, to adjourn. Carried unanimously. The Village Board adjourned at 8:36pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Frank
Village Clerk

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