

Present: Mayor Robert Yerick, Trustees Mary Leahy, William Murphy, Michael Campbell and Suzanne LeBlanc

Absent: Trustee Michael Karashay and Kelly Myers

Others: Alex Wade Police Chief Kimble, Mike Marino, George Terpening, Bob Ciarlante, Will Dendis – New Saugerties Times, Eric Prinz and others

Mayor Robert Yerick called the Village Board to order at 7:00pm.. Trustee Leahy led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Yerick introduced Dan Barry to the Board. Mr. Barry gave the Board a brief introduction to “AFLAC”. He advised the Board that this is a voluntary benefit paid for by the employees. The Board asked Mr. Barry to meet with the various departments to offer the coverage to employees.

#### Privilege of the Floor

Eric Prinz once again addressed the Village Board with his concerns regarding the Upper Esopus Creek and the “kayakers vs. motorized watercraft” situation. Another resident “Holly” read a letter outlining concerns, facts and figures from the Coast Guard and others, and possible solutions. Mr. Prinz asked the Board “what is going on?” Mayor Yerick advised Mr. Prinz that he, Town Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel, Village Police Chief Kimble, Town Police Chief Hulbert, Lt. Young of the UC Sheriff’s Department met with Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum in late July. The Sheriff provided patrols for two weekends on the Upper Esopus with a boat borrowed from Dutchess County. The Village is waiting for a report from the Sheriff on the activity. Mr. Prinz advised the Board that Susan Bolitzer insists that boaters are violating the law and would like someone to speak to her. Alex Wade advised Mr. Prinz that the Waterfront Advisory Board is meeting soon to discuss this situation. Mayor Yerick assured Mr. Prinz that the Village is trying to find a solution. Mr. Prinz agreed to furnish the Village with a copy of the letter read to the Board along with information he gathered from various governmental agencies. The Clerk agreed to keep Mr. Prinz informed and will advise him of the date and time of the Waterfront Advisory Board meeting.

Mayor Yerick advised the Board that the Village offered \$4500.00 to the Glasco Fire Department for their 1999 Chevy Chief’s Car. The offer was accepted and the Mayor has purchased the car for the SFD Chief. After some discussion, the majority of the Board agreed to the purchase.

Mayor Yerick presented the minutes of the August 6, 2007 Village Board meeting. Motion was made by Trustee Campbell, seconded by Trustee Leahy, to approve the minutes as written. Carried.

Trustee LeBlanc presented the list (copy attached) of tax role adjustments for 2007/2008. Motion was made by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Mayor Yerick, to approve the listed Tax Adjustments. Carried.

Trustee LeBlanc presented the Budget Transfers for the year-end 2006/2007 (copy attached). Motion was made by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Mayor Yerick, to approve the listed Budget Transfers. Carried.

Trustee LeBlanc presented the Abstracts for August 20, 2007: General - \$34,439.37; Water - \$7,595.52; Wastewater - \$5,083.57 and Water Capital - \$60,681.25. Motion was made by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Mayor Yerick, to approve the Abstract for payment. Carried.

Police Chief William Kimble presented the Police Report for July 2007 (copy attached). The PD had 10 public service events and 15 violent domestic incidents with an average 2-minute response time to emergency calls. Trustee LeBlanc asked the Chief if he had an opportunity to review the comments made at the last Village Board meeting regarding truck traffic. She went on to say that on Monday she observed 2 uncovered gravel trucks traveling through the Village. On Thursday she observed a truck carrying huge equipment with no accompanying escort vehicles. The truck had to ride up on sidewalks to make the turns. She asked how this activity is allowed to happen in the Village. She said the trucking companies abuse the Village and should be discouraged from traveling through Village Streets. Bob Ciarlante spoke saying many of the trucking companies obtain special permits that allow them to use the state highways. Mayor Yerick said that if the Police see violators, they should be issuing tickets. However, there are only 2 men on patrol per shift and cannot be everywhere. Trustee LeBlanc asked the Chief if his Department would work with the Town to ticket truckers with violations. Chief Kimble said that the NYS Police were very helpful and would advise his officers to ticket trucks that encroach on Village sidewalks. Trustee Campbell spoke saying that the SAMA study had zero impact on truck traffic. The solution will be with enforcement, signage and dialogue with the trucking companies. More discussion took place.

Mayor Yerick presented the SFD report (copy attached) in the absence of Trustee Karashay and Chief Martin. Both men were attending the NYS Firemen's Convention near Buffalo.

Trustee Leahy presented Code Enforcement Officer Eyal Saad's report (copy attached).

George Terpening presented the Building and Grounds report (copy attached). He reported that the Beach and Lions Club Playground would be closing before Labor Day. Most of the lifeguards are going back to school. Mr. Terpening thanked his summer crew for the great job they did throughout the Village this summer.

Trustee Campbell presented his report (copy attached). He updated the Board on the Village Website and on TV23.

Alex Wade presented his “special assignment” report (copy attached). He is working on the 2010 Census, MS4 Stormwater laws, Village Hall handicapped access and junk vehicles.

Bob Ciarlante presented the DPW report (copy attached). He updated the Board on the maintenance and construction projects taking place in the Village.

Mike Marino presented the Wastewater Department report (copy attached).

Trustee Murphy presented the Water Department report (copy attached). He reported on three major water breaks in the Village system in the past month. Plans are being drawn to replace the water main on Main Street from Washington Avenue up to Seamon Park.

Mayor Yerick advised the Superintendents and Trustees to watch their expenses carefully. Large increases in insurance cost are anticipated.

Mayor Yerick asked for a moment of silence in memory of part-time police officer Clark Johnson. Mr. Johnson died recently after 42 years of public service.

Motion was made by Trustee Campbell, seconded by Trustee Murphy, to adjourn. Carried. The Board adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Frank  
Village Clerk