

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

## Village Board Meeting Minutes December 17, 2018

**Present**: Mayor Murphy, Deputy Mayor Jeannine Mayer, Trustees Terry Parisian, Brian Martin, Vince Buono, Don Hackett, Jeff Helmuth, Mike Hopf, Mike Marino, George Terpening, Eyal Saad, Rich Forbes, Paul Boice, Alex Wade

Captain Filak, Dave Gordon, Bob Gallenz, Mary Olsen, family of the Youth Award recipients, 5 HS students

Mayor Murphy called the Village Board Meeting to order at 5: 30 pm.

Mayor Murphy requested Jacqueline Murphy lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Mayor Murphy along with Mary Olsen presented the Saugerties Community Youth Awards to the student recipients.

Trevor Brodie, Shawn Sussman, Dave Henkel and Ashley Pettingill

Privilege of the Floor – No one was present to address the Board.

Mayor Murphy presented the Village Board Minutes from December 3, 2018. Trustee Buono made a motion to accept the minutes of the December 3, 2018 Village Board meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was seconded by Trustee Parisian. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for December 17, 2018:

General \$ 102,224.71
 Water \$ 6,114.51
 Wastewater \$ 8,025.31

Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the Abstract for December 17, 2018. The motion to approve the Abstract for December, 2018 was seconded by Trustee Hackett. The motion carried unanimously.

**Mike Marino** presented his report for the Wastewater Dept. See attached. Odor complaints are sporadic and the Wastewater Dept. needs to be notified to adjust the odor control system.

**Mike Hopf** presented his report for the Water Department. See attached report. The CRZ Water Supply Protection - Pre-filter project was approved to proceed with one bidder.

**Captain Filak** reported for the Police Department. 1651 calls, 664 in Village, 13 new detective cases, 145 parking tickets. Holiday in the Village was a successful event. The next event will be the New Year's Eve ball drop. The NYS Counsel for Accreditation reassessment voted to approve for the next 5 years.

**Rich Forbes** presented his report for the DPW. See attached report.

**Mayor Murphy** complimented the DPW on cleaning the streets after the final leaf pickup and the holiday decorations.

**George Terpening** presented his report for the Buildings, Parks and Grounds. See attached report. The holiday lights are to be taken down with community service help. The Mayor has some volunteers.

**Eyal Saad** presented his report for the Building and Safety Dept. See attached.

Signs have been posted on buildings that are condemned, empty or dangerous for the safety of mutual aid fire departments.

Snow removal from sidewalks is with 24hours of storm.

The owners of 18-20 Russell Street is in the process of an asbestos survey and removal and has hired a contractor to remove the building once the survey is done. The neighboring house will be able to repair the damage to their property once the house is taken down.

The Clovelea property will be fenced off and work to begin in the spring. The Mayor is going to follow up. The Building Department and the Board and trying to work with the Whipple family in regards to their house at 46 Post Street. The roof has collapsed and has been condemned. Efforts to contact the family are ongoing.

The approval of the Country Meadows project on North Street is close to running out. Eyal has put them in contact with a local businessman that may be interested in investing to complete the project.

**Trustee Martin** presented the Fire Department report. See attached report.

Trustee Martin stated that Linda Flanigan is moving from Quilty Ins. to Marshall and Sterling Ins. She has been our agent for the fire department insurance and is working on the cancer insurance. The trustees would prefer to see a proposal from Linda before approving.

The Fire Department will celebrate 99 years of Santa distributing candy from the fire truck on Christmas Day this year. The plans are being made for the 100 year celebration next year.

**Trustee Parisian** reported that the overnight parking is in effect from December 15<sup>th</sup> – March 15<sup>th</sup>. No vehicles should be parked on the streets from 3am to 7am.

Thank you to the DPW for all their hard work this year.

**Trustee Helmuth** reported that the Ashokan Release Working Group is looking for a representative from the Waterfront Advisory Board. Stan O'Dell or Casey Curry are options. Jeff will contact Alex Wade for suggestions as well.

**Trustee Buono** reported that the second delinquent tax letters went out to residents this week. An update will be made at the next meeting. Trustee Buono mentioned an article in the newspaper regarding Red Hook consolidating their Town and Village courts. Mayor Murphy stated that the consolidation of our courts were looked at and were rejected by the Town.

Trustee Hackett suggested that the consolidation of services for all departments should be looked into on a regular basis. It was mentioned that studies for the feasibility of consolidation cost money.

**Trustee Hackett** questioned how the AUD was going. Trustee Buono and Mayor Murphy stated that Gary Newkirk has been helping out and they are conducting monthly meetings with the Treasurer to keep everything on track.

## **Deputy Mayor Mayer** reported

- The Chamber of Commerce thanked everyone involved with The Holiday in the Village for their help and participation. Thank you also to Raymond Mayone for providing horse drawn hay rides throughout the Village again this year. The Chamber's Holiday Party will be Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at SPAF. The Spirit of Saugerties honorees this year will be Steve and Terry Masardo. The Finger Fund will receive money from the street art
- The Board of TV23 received 2 new applications for Board members to be voted on at the next meeting. Elizabeth Reece is the new TV23 videographer filming the meeting. Drone footage of the Village and Town will be posted on TV23. The animal shelter will be posting photos of pets available for adoption.
- Comprehensive Plan Board needs a representative from the Planning Board.

• The New Year's Eve Ball Drop is schedules for 10:30 – 12:30. The HS Sr. Class will be selling hot chocolate.

## **HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

Trustee Hackett made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Martin. The motion carried unanimously. The Village Board Meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm.

Next Village Board meeting is <u>January 7, 2019</u> at 5:30pm.

Lisa Mayone Village Clerk Filed December 27, 2018