



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

**Village Board Meeting  
Minutes  
April 17, 2023**

**Present:** Mayor Murphy, Trustees: Jeannine Mayer, Terry Parisian, Brian Martin, Don Hackett, Andrew Zink absent Vince Buono  
Others: Paula Kerbert, Dave Gordon, Bill Kemble, Mary McNamara, Rosemarie Brackett, Bill Barr

**Mayor Murphy** opened the Village Board meeting at 5:30pm.

**Regular Session**

**Trustee Martin** led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Privilege Of The Floor**

Mary McNamara – Lower Esopus Creek Clean Up Plan and Lower Esopus Creek Advisory Council. A stakeholder meeting to engage the public will happen sometime in June, the meeting will be virtual and in-person. The meeting will include all seven communities in the lower Esopus corridor. The purpose will be developing plan and from the plan an implementation will come from that. Advisory Council Saugerties is well represented with members Patrick Landewe, Patrick Wadden, Mary McNamara. Penalty money being spent given by New York City.

CAC Esopus Creek Survey results presented by Leslie Suprenant, former Biologist leader invasive Species Program at NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. Studied Forest biology; fisheries biology at SUNY-ESF Environmental Science. Presented a power point presentation on her studies on the Esopus. Baseline vegetation and different species. The area of study covered 2 miles, 40 sites town line to bedrock waterfalls. The baseline year 2020 July 2nd 15<sup>th</sup>. The follow up year 2022 July 23<sup>rd</sup>, August 1<sup>st</sup> – August 8<sup>th</sup>. Public is driving Village to review the issue of vegetation, collected 9 native species. Every Eco system needs plants. Light penetration, how deep the water, what vegetation is removed. Shared the tools that were used in her study. Mayor Murphy let her know that the harvester traces are available and can be shared to be part of Leslie’s study. There was a 76% reduction in rooted aquatic species. Recommendations for future studies, between the Town and the Village. Schedule time when the Harvester is active on the Esopus to assess what species are in harvested load and relative abundance of species.

**Mayor Murphy** presented the Village Board Meeting Minutes from April 3, 2023.

**Trustee Parisian made a motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes from April 3, 2023. Deputy Mayor Mayer seconded the motion to approve the minute from April 3, 2023. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**Mayor Murphy presented the Abstracts for April 3, 2023.**

- General \$ 66,315.86
- Water \$ 22,316.97
- Wastewater \$ 37,573.70

**Trustee Hackett made a motion to approve the Abstracts for April 17, 2023. Trustee Deputy Mayor Mayer seconded the motion to approve the Abstracts for April 17, 2023. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

Trustee Parisian – The abstract expenses on the streetlights, asking about buying the lights in the Village using LED lighting, approximately 300. It wouldn't be cost effective with the amount the Village had. Mayor Murphy stated this was looked into years ago.

### Trustee Reports

Trustee Parisian – the Village Spring clean up started 4/17/2023, through 5/1/2023. DPW drain repair on Ann Street. Street sweeping being done. DPW scheduling pavement roads.

Trustee Zink – The Library having issue with kids after school, vandalism approx. 3:00PM – 5:00PM. Library staff debating on an idea to deal with the children. Nina suggested that they hire a T/A or Guidance counselor for that time slot.

Cinco de Mayo – Library is having 1<sup>st</sup> of kind a dance, Dance in the Stacks on May 5<sup>th</sup>, local DJ to play.

Deputy Mayor Mayer – Library Altered Artist book project, Next Chamber mixer is at Candlestock @ 6:30PM 4/26/2023. Mayor and Deputy Mayor Mayer attended the regional Chamber ribbon cutting at Blackbarn. May 21<sup>st</sup>, 3PM -5PM at Smoking Pony, the horses will be out before being put on the street. Art Commission, meeting last week elected officers. Meet and Greet will be at Josies, don't know the time.

Patrick Wadden schedule for the Tidewater Center, dates for the summer on website.

Trustee Hackett – Water in Montross Park, DPW residents said that they cleaned up, Park looks good. Comments to DPW and Water Department how professional everyone was.

Trustee Martin – Chief Campbell's report of March call 162-man hours, 36 hours training – total volunteered man hours 198. April 18, Fireman's Association Meeting. April 19<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> meeting for the July 4<sup>th</sup>. Trustee Zink asked about live wires, what is the procedure. Live wires the Fire Department will stay till appropriate services have responded. If they live wire is cable or phone barricade the area of the wire. Garage doors have been ordered for the Firehouse.

Fourth of July is on Tuesday 2023, per Mayor Murphy.

**Mayor Murphy made a motion to adopt the Budget for 2023 – 2024, making a motion approve the Budget for 2023-2024. Trustee Parisian seconded the motion to adopt the Budget for 2023 – 2024, All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.**

**Mayor Murphy** read the yearly appointments for 2023-24. There will be revisions to the Appointments for 2023-24 as Mayor Murphy has meetings to be set up to finalize the Appointments for 2023-24. The changes will be reflected in the final copy once completed.

**Trustee Hackett made a motion to accept the 2023-24 Appointments as revised. Trustee Zink made a motion to accept the 2023-24 Appointments as revised. The motion carried unanimously.**

**A moment of silence for Peg Kolano in honor of her passing. Peg was a huge volunteer in the Fire Department, Kolano Family big part of the Village, her husband Jack was DPW Supervisor.**

**Trustee Hackett made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting. Trustee Parisian seconded the motion to adjourn the Village Board Meeting. All in favor. The motion carried unanimously. The Board meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.**

The next **Village Board meeting is Monday, May 1, 2023, at 5:30 pm.**

Peggy Melville Village Clerk

April 24, 2023