

Village Board Meeting

Minutes

September 21, 2015

Present: Bill Murphy, Jeannine Mayer, Don Hackett, Vince Buono, Bob Fanelli, Mike Hopf, Mike Marino, George Terpening, Eyal Saad, Alex Wade, Ed Quirk, Virginia Davies, Robert Ford, Bill Kemble, Mary Ann Wrolsen, Dave Zimmer, Kevin Morgan

Absent: Patrick Landewe, Brian Martin, Terry Parisian

Mayor Murphy called the Village Board to order at 5:00 pm. Trustee Mayer led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Privilege of the Floor

Dave Zimmerman presented the Mayor with a petition from the residents of Montgomery Street. Mr. Zimmerman is concerned with the traffic on Montgomery St going too fast. Recently a truck with a horse trailer got stuck on the turn. He wants something done to slow down the traffic!

Mayor Murphy asked if Mr. Zimmerman had any recommendations? Mr. Zimmerman would like to have Blind Driveway signs or a Stop sign and more police patrols.

Mayor Murphy stated there are already 5MPH signs on the street. Mayor Murphy said that the Village could not put a Stop sign in the middle of the street but could try the Blind Driveway signs. Trustee Hackett suggested No Trucks signs. Bob Fanelli stated that he could order the Blind Driveway signs. Kevin Morgan suggested that there should be a law against backing out of a driveway into a street. Mr. Morgan also stated that there a No Parking sign is needed at Washington Avenue and Main Street. It should be 40 feet from corner to allow for enough room by the bump out. The No Parking sign has been installed on West Bridge Street.

Mr. Morgan is concerned with the Village not requiring a license for tattoo artists. He stated Ulster County is the only county in NYS that doesn't require a license. It can't reflect well on the Village if the artist does bad work. Mayor Murphy stated that they do have to be licensed through Ulster County Health Department and Village law says they have to be licensed with Ulster County Health Dept.

Motion made by Trustee Buono to accept the Village Board Meeting Minutes from September 8th.
Seconded by Trustee Mayer. Motion carried.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstracts;

- General Fund \$55,383.99,
- Water \$9,145.18
- Wastewater \$172,317.27,
- Special \$34,038.00
- Seamon Park Fund \$1,390.80

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

Mike Hopf presented his report for the Water Dept. See attached.

New water tap at the 1st new house in Meadow Park.

There was a water main break on Ann St. And a repair required at 16 Jane St.

Hydrant flushing is scheduled for the week of October 5th. Notices have been sent to TV23, the Village web page, and Saugerties Times as well as on the office monitor and flyers on the counter.

George Terpening presented his report for the Buildings. See attached.

A second delivery of 500 mums arrived this week and planting continues in preparation for the Mum Festival on October 4.

The swim docks have been pulled in from the beach and the beach and pool are closed for the season.

Bob Fanelli presented his report for the DPW department. See attached.

Paving is complete for the year. DPW will be doing some paving at the Water Plant.

Guide rails are to be replaced on Main St and Post and Clermont Streets. The rails have been received and are to be replaced as time allows.

The peddle cars and stands were removed and brought to SPAF for the auction.

DPW is preparing for the Garlic Festival. No parking signs will be posted on streets on Friday.

The new dump truck is on the road.

Mike Marino presented his report for the Wastewater Department. See attached.

The RBC unit at the Wastewater Treatment plant was replaced on Thursday and should be up and running within the week when the motor portion is installed.

A broken sewer line on Post Street had to be repaired. Thank you to DPW for their help.

Thank you to Chief Dave Mason for fabricating a gear part for the camera tractor.

Eyal Saad presented his report for the Building Department. See attached.

September 15 is the cutoff for maintenance violations until next year.

Eyal gave an update on the Dragon Inn/Cloverlea building. The person claiming to be the owner- Jason Moskowitz- had sent a letter to the editor of the Saugerties Times. The letter stated that there are squatters in his building and he has not had cooperation from either the police or village officials as to how to get them out.

The ownership of the property was investigated by calling Ulster County and the owner is still listed as Ching Ya Wu. The Building Dept. cannot cite Jason Moskowitz with a violation for not securing the building since he is not the owner of record.

Alex Wade presented his report for Special Projects. See attached report.

There was a discussion regarding the new cross walk signal on Main and Partition St. The signal "talks" with several phrases instructing the "walker" to either WAIT or CROSS. Alex has requested the designer to lower the volume after several verbal complaints from nearby residents.

Some people have complained to Alex regarding cars speeding around the corner when they have a green arrow at the corner of Main and Market Street. The green arrow works properly when the Walk button is pushed. Everyone agreed there is a little learning curve regarding the use of the new crossing signals.

There are complaints of cracks on the new curbing on the corner of Main and Partition St – in front of Inquiring Minds Bookstore and in front of Rock the Casba - trucks go over the curb when making the turn. The metal poles that were installed to prevent this have not stopped the trucks from damaging the curbing. DOT will be contacted to either move the poles or add more to make them effective. It is

damaging the curb as well as being dangerous for people on the streets. Cracks to sidewalks will also be fixed.

Trustee Buono had reported Safe Streets to school is waiting for a grant to replace the sidewalks on Washington Avenue in front of Lions Playground. Mullins has given an estimate.

The Town has painted crosswalks on Washington Avenue from Cantine Field to SHS. The school's Resource Officer has been crossing students in the morning and afternoon. It has been working out well.

Trustee Mayer reported that the Planning Board Meeting had a training session along with the Zoning Board conducted by Alex Betke that was very informative.

The *Cruisin' Around Saugerties Grand Prix Gala and Auction* was held at SPAF on Saturday September 19. Trustee Mayer will report the final figures next month when available. Portions of the proceeds will go to the Patriots Project.

TV 23 is looking for submissions of photos for the "*Where in Saugerties is This?*" segment.

The Chamber of Commerce is having their monthly meeting at the Renwick Clifton House on Wednesday September 30 at 6:30.

Garlic Festival Saturday 9/26 10 am – 6pm, Sunday 9/27 10am – 5:00pm at Cantine Field

Mum Festival Sunday October 4 12 – 5pm 50th Anniversary at Seamon Park

Boys and Girls Club – Steak Dinner October 8 at Diamond Mills

Trustee Hackett reported for the Fire Department. See attached.

The Fire Department will take possession of the new fire truck next week. The Chief and Trustee Hackett will be traveling to Florida to inspect the truck.

Discussion followed regarding the speeding traffic on Washington Avenue during the school opening and closing hours. A stop sign on Washington Avenue at the corner of Finger Street making it a 4 way stop area is a possibility. This would relieve the traffic trying to get out onto Washington from Finger. The concern is that the stop sign there may cause a traffic backup to the new traffic light at the Main and Washington intersection. Trustee Hackett stated that the traffic backs up to the light now, without the stop. Mayor Murphy would like a full board present to further discuss the stop sign on Washington and Finger. There would have to be a public hearing and then a law before the stop sign could be installed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Trustee Hackett, seconded by Trustee Mayer.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:43pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Lisa Mayone

Village Clerk

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