



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

Village Board Meeting Minutes October 21, 2019

Present: Deputy Mayor Jeanne Mayer, Trustees Vince Buono, Jeff Helmuth, Don Hackett, Brian Martin

Others: Alex Wade, Mike Marino, Mike Hopf, Eyal Saad, Richard Forbes, George Terpening, Chris Wade, Dave Gordon, Ed Quirk, Brian Mason, Linda Flanigan, Chris Harris

Deputy Mayor Mayer opened the meeting at 5:30pm.

Deputy Mayor Mayer requested **Trustee Hackett** to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Deputy Mayor Mayer presented the **Village Board Minutes from October 7, 2019.**

Trustee Buono made a motion to approve the **Village Board Minutes from October 7, 2019.** The motion to approve the minutes from October 7, 2019 was seconded by **Trustee Hackett.** All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the **Abstract for October 21, 2019:**

- General \$ 33,043.93
- Water \$ 21,971.84
- Wastewater \$ 13,860.33

Trustee Hackett made a motion to approve the **Abstract for October 21, 2019.** The motion to approve the **Abstract of October 21, 2019** was seconded by **Trustee Helmuth.** All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Privilege of the Floor

No one present requested to address the Board.

Supervisor Reports

Eyal Saad reported for the Building and Safety Department. See the attached report.

Mike Marino reported for the Wastewater Department. See the attached report.

The main line inspection report for the intersection of Washington Avenue and Main Street going towards Cedar Street was distributed. The Board discussed the Washington Avenue/Main Street sewer project. The DPW is willing to help with parts of the project that they are capable of doing. Even though the Village Wastewater Dept. did camera the lines, the contractor will also have to do their own camera-ing of the sewer lines. A Resolution will be required to move forward with a bond for the project. The consensus was to contact the Village attorney to create a Resolution for the project.

The proposed increase in the septic/sludge charges were presented as increasing the current rate by 2¢ per gallon.

Trustee Hackett made a motion to increase the sludge rate from 12¢ to 14¢ per gallon for local haulers and from 14¢ to 16¢ for out of the county haulers as of January 1, 2020. **Trustee Helmuth** seconded the motion to increase the sludge rate from 12¢ to 14¢ per gallon for local haulers and from 14¢ to 16¢ for out of the county haulers as of January 1, 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

Richard Forbes reported for the Department of Public Works. See the attached report.
Trustee Hackett would like to discuss the off street parking when Trustee Parisian is present.

Captain Filak reported for the Police Department. See the attached data report.
The 8pm curfew for Halloween trick or treating was discussed.

Trustee Buono made a motion to set an 8:00pm curfew for anyone under 16 on Halloween, Thursday, October 31, 2019. Trustee Hackett seconded the motion to set an 8:00pm curfew for anyone under 16 on Halloween, Thursday, October 31, 2019. The motion carried unanimously.

George Terpening reported for the Buildings, Parks and Grounds Department. See the attached report.

Mike Hopf reported for the Water Department. See the attached report.

Trustee Hackett questioned whether or not there is anyone in the Water Department certified as a backflow tester. Mike Hopf confirmed that Fred Carney had been certified when he was working in the Water Dept. but since he has moved to DPW he has not renewed his certification. Colin Miller is interested in taking the next available certification course. **Trustee Hackett** stated that it should be listed in the Union contract that the employee needs to stay in the department for 5 years once certified. The Board members agreed to table the issue to talk about it at another time.

Trustee Martin reported for the Fire Department. See attached.

The renewal of the Cancer policy was discussed. The renewal was tabled until it was determined if the enhanced version of the policy was what we have currently.

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

The Bluestone Sidewalk Repair Project has started. The sidewalks and curbing have been removed from the corner of Main Street just beyond the movie theatre. The curbing will be replaced with tinted concrete.

Deputy Mayor Mayer presented the survey from Cornell Cooperative Extension regarding the Catskill Creek Watershed Awareness Project. The survey was to determine the level of support for seven initiatives for future endeavors in developing a watershed protection project. The seven questions on the survey were answered as Very Supportive or Supportive. See attached.

Trustee Reports

Trustee Helmuth - Nothing new to report.

Trustee Buono thanked the Fire Dept., Police Dept. Board, the Village and the Town for the support of the American Legion's 100 year anniversary celebration.

Trustee Martin - Nothing new to report

Trustee Hackett - Nothing new to report

Deputy Mayor Mayer reported:

- Thank you to the Mum Festival Committee for their work at the festival.
- The October Chamber meeting will be on Wednesday 30th 6:30pm at Fiber Flame.
- The Town and Village Comprehensive Plan committee meeting will be October 28th.

Linda Flanigan and Chris Harris from Marshall and Sterling gave a presentation for the insurance coverage for the Fire Dept. Currently the fire department trucks are covered under a policy with Reiss Insurance. This policy would be through VFIS and cover the Fire Depart. The vehicles would be covered as agreed value as opposed to depreciated values. A value for each vehicle would have to be determined by the Fire Department and the insurance company. Premiums would be based on the agreed value. Ms. Flanigan presented information regarding free training to Fire Department members that VFIS also offers. A previous presentation had been made by Reis Insurance. The Board will determine between Reis and Marshall and Sterling which policy is the best value and coverage for the Village for the next Board meeting.

The renewal of the Cancer Policy was discussed. The original policy covers nine types of cancers and the enhanced covers **any** cancers. All active members, interior and exterior, should be covered.

Trustee Hackett requested a moment of silence for the recent passing of James Spiers. **Trustee Hackett** stated that Mr. Spiers was a Saugerties legend and a person who touched many lives in the Saugerties community.

Trustee Helmuth made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Hackett. Motion carried unanimously. The Village Board Meeting adjourned at 6:52pm.

Next Village Board meeting is Monday, November 4, 2019 at 5:30 pm.

Lisa Mayone

Village Clerk

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