

Village Board

January 5, 2015

Present: Mayor William Murphy, Trustees Vince Buono, Brian Martin, Don Hackett, Jeannine Mayer, Patrick Landewe and Terry Parisian

Others: Robert Ford, Brian Hubert, Ed Quirk, students and others

Mayor Murphy called the Village Board to order at 500pm. Trustee Hackett led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

There was no one present who wished to address the Board.

Mayor Murphy presented the minutes of the December 15, 2014 Village Board meeting. Motion was made by Trustee Buono, seconded by Trustee Hackett, to approve the minutes. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for January 5, 2015: General - \$37,935.72; Water - \$10,524.26; Wastewater - \$13,065.38; Account H - \$146,767.74. Motion was made by Trustee Hackett, seconded by Trustee Mayer, to approve the Abstract. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Parisian reminded residents not to place Christmas trees at the curb. The DPW will not pick them up. Trees may be taken to the DPW site on North Street Monday – Friday or stored on resident's property until spring clean-up.

Trustee Landewe had nothing to report.

Trustee Mayer reported the recent Saugerties Chamber mixer was a great success and well attended.

Trustees Hackett, Martin and Buono had nothing to report.

Mayor Murphy said the New Year's Eve Ball Drop on Main Street was very successful. Thanks to Chief Sinagra, the band 90 Proof, Harry Vickery for the flatbed, and J&J Tree Service for the crane. All the services were donated. The local restaurants reported they had a profitable night and the Boy Scouts raised hundreds of dollars from donations for hot chocolate and coffee. Lots of families attended. Think about ideas for next year.

Mayor Murphy presented Resolution #1/2015. This resolution designates the date of the annual election as Wednesday, March 18, 2015. The resolution was seconded by Trustee Martin and carried unanimously.

Mayor Murphy presented Resolution #2/2015. This resolution designates Village Hall as the Polling Place for the March 18th election. Polls will be open from 12noon to 9:00pm. The resolution was seconded by Trustee Mayer, and carried unanimously.

Trustee Mayer presented Resolution #3/2015. This resolution supports a more thorough removal of PCB's from the upper Hudson River by GE. Discussion followed with Trustee Buono asking should the

remaining PCB's be left alone. Trustee Hackett is concerned that the dredging would cause PCB's to come down-river. Trustee Parisian question why these PCB "hot spots" were not addressed in the original project. Trustee Landewe answered the concerns by saying that storms cause PCB's to move down the river and will remain a problem until all are removed. He said the EPA is monitoring the project and are pleased with the results. Trustee Landewe feels GE should not be excused from dredging until the job is complete. After more discussion the Village Board voted unanimously to approve Resolution #3/2015.

Mayor Murphy presented the Tax Lien Foreclosure Agreement with Ulster County for the tax year 2012 for Village Board approval. Listed properties will proceed to public auction by the County if not redeemed or withdrawn. After a short discussion, motion was made by Trustee Buono, seconded by Trustee Landewe, to approve the Agreement. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono asked if the Board wished to pursue asking garbage haulers who pick up trash in the Village very early in the morning to modify their schedule. Trustee Mayer advised the Board that she had contacted haulers about 5 years ago with this same issue. The haulers were not interested in accommodating the request citing traffic concerns, transfer station hours, and more. Trustee Parisian said the early morning pick-up hours are just part of "life in the Village". There was not much support among the Trustees to pursue this issue saying a new law may be unenforceable. Trustee Buono agreed to contact the companies who service the Village and report back to the Board with their response.

Motion was made by Trustee Buono, seconded by Trustee Hackett, to adjourn. Carried unanimously. The Village Board adjourned at 5:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Frank
Village Clerk

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