



VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES

43 PARTITION STREET
SAUGERTIES, N.Y. 12477

**Village Board Meeting
Minutes
October 7, 2024**

Present: Mayor Murphy, Trustees: Don Hackett, Andrew Zink, Vince Buono, Terry Parisian, Jeannine Mayer

Others: Paula Kerbert, Kevin Brown, Ed Quirk, Bill Kemble, Dave Gordon, Mary McNamara, Stephanie Brackett

Absent: Brian Martin

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

Deputy Mayor Mayer led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Regular Session

Privilege Of The Floor

Trustee Parisian made the motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes from September 16, 2024. Trustee Hackett seconded the motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes from September 16, 2024. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstracts for October 7, 2024.

• General	\$ 168,259.15
• Water	\$ 47,058.06
• Wastewater	\$ 66,238.10
• Capital Fund	\$ 2,742.70

Trustee Hackett made a motion to approve the Abstracts for October 7, 2024. Deputy Mayor Mayer seconded the motion to approve the Abstracts for October 7, 2024. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution in Support of the Lower Esopus Stream Management, Mayor asked if anyone had questions, Trustee Parisian asked about the group, there has been a group of townships that have bordered the Esopus Creek been in place for years, monitoring the releases from Ashokan and now Patrick is starting another group. Mayor asked Mary McNamara, this is not a new group, this is the same group it is an evolution of the original group who has always supported it. The beginning of the implementation, assisting in getting more grants. This is a work in progress. Trustee Parisian was satisfied with the response.

Mayor Murphy made the motion to approve the Resolution in Support of the Lower Esopus Stream Management. Trustee Zink seconded the motion to approved the Resolution in Support of the Lower Esopus Stream Management. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Roll Call

Mayor Murphy	Y	Trustee Parisian	Y
Trustee Zink	Y	Deputy Mayor Mayer	Y
Trustee Buono	Y	Trustee Hackett	Y

Mayor Murphy reported to the Trustees that a conversation about parking in the Village is being discussed. The Mayor said that he and Trustee Parisian have had conversations with the current owners of property, their original suggestion of leasing per year was out of the Village's financial means. The offer then came back as \$24K per year, including the land and the buildings taxes. The Mayor is asking permission of the Village Board to pursue discussion and to negotiate down the amount per year, approximately \$12K year. The Village Board agreed that the Mayor and Trustee Parisian continue negotiations. Trustee Zink suggested the lease not start until next year the start of the Village Budget.

Pro Housing Initiative Resolution – Discussion by Mayor and Trustees, Original grant was for \$4 million, Brianna came back and said if the Town and the Village both are submitting together, we would have to go for the \$12 million. The Town did not pass it Pro Housing Initiative but will be revisiting that vote next week. In order to apply for the grants, it's required that the applicants pass a motion for the Pro Housing Initiative. Mary McNamara commented on what a great job Kevin Brown did explaining the idea of the work to be done in the beach area and out on the 9W corridor a walkable, bikeable. Stephanie Brackett presented the map she created for the Kevin's ideas, for future projects.

Everyone was impressed with his presentation; the map was completed with those ideas. Letter of intent has been completed, we have letter of recommendations from other businesses, the projects that have been underway, deadline is in 11 days.

Mayor Murphy makes a motion to pass the Pro Housing Initiative in support of the grant pending the Town's approval of the Pro Housing Initiative. Trustee Parisian seconded the motion to pass the Pro Housing Initiative in support of the grant pending the Town's approval of the Pro Housing Initiative. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Report – see attached

Trustee Reports

Trustee Parisian – Nothing to report – Redo: report Brian Wilson will be resigning from HRB effective next April.

Trustee Zink – Planning Board Meeting 9/18/24, Public Hearings open for 8 Ferry Street, 166 Ulster Ave SPAF. The Esopus Icehouse subdivision application, updated subdivision maps, meet with Zoning Board, they had requests. Zoning Board have not granted the variance yet. Finally, a couple of residents of Ulster Avenue shared concerns about traffic, congestion and a need for blasting. There have been no applications submitted.

Deputy Mayor Mayer – Saugerties Art's Commission their monthly calendar and newsletter. Meet and Greet Dec. 9, 2024. The Tea by the Society of Little Garden's, 100 years anniversary. Supported family of troops during wars. A page in the Mum Festival program was dedicated to the Society of Little Gardens. Mum Festival, food truck didn't show up and they tractor ride, Bob Siracusano came with the ice cream truck. Other than that, it went well. Mum Queen and Court, the girls received their jewelry at the Mum Bowl. Chamber mixer was at the Pig, I spoke about the Mum Festival and the Garlic Festival.

Trustee Hackett – Dennis reported on the Wastewater project is projecting we go out for bid in 6 to 8 weeks for the \$400K, Paula will look into getting the bond for \$800K. Perhaps starting in June 2025. The back haulers data, if the ammonia levels have changed or not, will review the data.

Trustee Buono – The interim Police Chief, I heard is now the Chief. Can we invite him to a Village Board Meeting? Mayor stated he will reach out and extend an invite.

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. Meeting adjourned at 6:40PM.

The next **Village Board meeting is October 21, 2024, at 5:30PM**

Peggy Melville Village Clerk October 10, 2024

TREASURER'S REPORT

October 07, 2024

As of today we have \$99,610.25 left to collect for the 2024 taxes before being handed over to Ulster County.

I have started inputting the CHIPS invoices into the state system and we will be getting paid for them on December 18th. We will have roughly \$178,000.00 coming to us.

Paula Kerbert

Treasurer

