

Present: Mayor Robert Yerick, Trustees Suzanne LeBlanc, Kelly Myers, William Murphy, Michael Karashay and Mary Leahy

Absent: Trustee Michael Campbell

Others present: Police Chief William Kimble, Eyal Saad, Alphonse Marino, Brian Martin, George Terpening, Alex Wade, Joe Bisignano, Bob Ciarlante, Will Dendis-New Saugerties Times and students from SHS Government class

Mayor Robert Yerick called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Trustee LeBlanc led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Privilege of the Floor: None

Mayor Yerick presented the minutes of the October 1st Village Board meeting for approval. Motion was made by Trustee Karashay, seconded by Trustee LeBlanc, to approve the minutes. Carried.

Trustee LeBlanc presented the Abstracts for October 15th, 2007: General - \$54,213.01; Water - \$4,834.66; Wastewater - \$10,433.29, Building Reserve Fund - \$362.00. Motion was made by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Karashay, to approve the Abstracts for payment. Carried.

The Mayor complimented the Mum Festival committee for a very successful day and a great job. He also complimented Mike Karashay and Chief Brian Marting for a great turnout at the Fire Departments 125th anniversary celebration. The Mayor also commented that the sex offender public hearing was well attended and he was happy to see the Board members there as well.

Alex Wade presented his report. Copy attached. The Post Office parking lot construction started. They will be widening the lot and the entrance. Construction should be complete in 2 –3 weeks. Alex presented the contract for the water/sewer separation in Barclay Heights, as well as the short form SEQR by NYS DEC. The Village declared it will be lead agency.

Bob Ciarlante presented the DPW report (copy attached). Bob stated that street maintenance and cleaning in the department was “business as usual”. Ferry St. is 99% completed. Hill Street and Post Street will be completed this year. Next year they will pave from the Coast Guard Station and up. People are still dumping on North Street illegally.

Trustee Myers stated that union negotiations were going smoothly and she was very happy with the progress. She also stated the waterfront advisory meetings were going well. There is a study being done on the Esopus Creek to look at flood elevations. There has been significant flooding and silt buildup. There are 5 towns working together and using a \$45,000 grant for funding.

Mike Marino presented the report for the wastewater department. There have been several odor complaints. Mike is looking at estimates and proposals to alleviate the odor problem. There have also been electrical problems at the plant. Two pumps have been repaired at \$2,500 each. A lightning strike may have been the cause of the problem. Trustee Murphy suggested we may have an insurance claim to pay for the damages. Mike thanked George Terpening for mums he brought to the plant and Richard Forbes for the welding help at the plant as well.

Joe Bisignano presented the Water Department report (copy attached). There was vandalism at the old screen house at the reservoir. 50 windows were broken and a door was broken down. Damage was estimated to be around \$3000. Jim Cornelison retired today. He will be missed by all. Dave Dunn, Steve Whitaker and Lynn Vroman are all in training to obtain their water plant operator licenses.

Chief William Kimble presented the Police Report (copy attached). Chief stated his staff handled the Garlic and Mum Festivals without incident. They have been monitoring the illegal truck traffic in the Village. Most violations are oversized trucks. Emergency response time has remained below 5 minutes with most responses around 2 minutes.

Fire Chief Brian Martin presented his report. Fire prevention started last week. The Village schools will be visiting this week. The ladder truck would not start today. It looks like it may be a battery problem. The batteries will be replaced if needed. Thanks to everyone who turned out to help celebrate the 125th Anniversary Party.

Trustee Karashay wanted to clarify the Halloween parade information. There was a miscommunication earlier. The lineup will be at 5:30 at Mirabella's with a kickoff at 6:00 p.m. They will march up Russell St. to Partition St., down Main St., up Market St., down Lafayette and down Partition St. to the firehouse. The parade will be held Friday, October 26th. There are 3 new applicants to the CA Lynch Fire Co. They are Scott Campbell, Mark Stisi and Brenden Doyle. Motion was made by Trustee Karashay and seconded by Mayor Yerick to accept the 3 applicants. Motion carried. Trustee Karashay also thanked all of the Board members for attending the 125th Anniversary party.

Trustee Leahy asked Code Enforcement Officer Eyal Saad to present the Building Department report (copy attached). She also thanked the Mum Festival committee and George Terpening and his staff for the hard work on the festival. She also thanked the Will Dendis for his lovely article in the Saugerties Times.

Eyal Saad presented his report. We have received the new NYS 2007 Building codes. They will take effect Oct 3rd with a transition period until Dec. 1st. The changes are minor. FEMA and the DEC are doing a study regarding flood insurance and would like the community to show an interest and confirm maps. All of the streetlights have been repaired and a new one has been installed. Eyal would like to remind everyone to check smoke detectors, furnaces and wood stoves now that the heating season is here.

George Terpening presented Building and Ground's report (copy attached). Weekly mowing and maintenance at all parks as usual. The bathrooms at the Lions' Club Park and the beach have been winterized. They are getting the Donlon ready for the Weebees play group. Thanks to the mum festival committee for all of their hard work.

The Mayor presented Resolution #9, 2007 (see attached) authorizing design of storm water catch basins on Route 9W/32 on the State Highway System. Roll Call:

Trustee LeBlanc – Yes

Trustee Karashay – Yes

Trustee Murphy – Yes

Trustee Leahy – Yes

Trustee Myers – Yes

Resolution passed. The Village declared itself lead agency.

Trustee Myers stated that the DPW is working on drainage at the Lions Club playground to stop the flooding and mud at the park.

Trustee LeBlanc stated an abandoned vehicle law is being worked on. She will give to legal counsel for review and hand out copies to the Board.

The Mayor announced that the railroad crossings on Canoe Hill Road are being updated and there will be road closings for 3 5 days.

A motion was made by Trustee Karashay to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Trustee Myers.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Dunn
Treasurer