

Present: Deputy Mayor William Murphy, Trustees Michael Campbell, Suzanne LeBlanc, Jeannine Dirie and Kelly Myers

Others: Nancy Campbell, Cal Hackett, David Radovanovic, Eyal Saad, Joe Bisignano, Bob Ciarlante, Anthony Bell, Ed Quirk, Maryann Wrolsen, Alex Wade, George Terpening, Virginia Lupino, Joseph Churnetski and others

Deputy Mayor Murphy called the Village Board to order at 700pm. Trustee Campbell led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Privilege of the Floor

Joseph Churnetski, 87 Partition Street, addressed the Board. He complained of a dangerous situation on Partition Street. He lives above Café Tamayo and parks his car behind the Café. The parking lot is accessed through a driveway located on Partition Street between DIG and Love Bites. There are parking meters on either side of the driveway making exiting the parking lot very difficult. He asked the Board to consider removing the parking meters to allow for better vision while trying to exit the driveway. Trustee Campbell responded by saying he understands the problem, however he feels the Saugerties Area Chamber of Commerce may have a problem with removing two parking spaces on Partition Street. Mr. Campbell advised Mr. Churnetski that he would take the complaint to the SAMA Traffic Committee for advice and input. Eyal Saad suggested that Mr. Campbell contact the property owners (Dan Gelfan and James Tamayo) to see if the parking lots could all be connected to the municipal parking lot behind Mirabella's. Alex Wade advised the Trustees that the Village Planning Board had made that same suggestion. Mr. Murphy suggested that if the lots could be connected, make the driveway an enter only lane. Trustee LeBlanc worried that even if the meters are removed, people will still park in those spots. Mr. Campbell promised to keep Mr. Churnetski advised of any progress.

Mr. Murphy presented the minutes of the March 1, 2010 Village Board meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Ms. Dirie, to approve the minutes. Carried.

Mr. Murphy presented the Abstract for March 15, 2010: General - \$56,348.00; Water - \$14,069.84; Wastewater - \$12,918.15; Partition Street Project - \$88.00; Stormwater Separation - \$2040.00. Motion was made by Ms. Dirie, seconded by Mrs. LeBlanc, to approve the Abstract. Carried.

George Terpening presented the Buildings and Grounds report. The crew is doing some painting in Donlon, the Webe's last day is 3/17, and they are cleaning up the municipal parking lots. Mr. Terpening thanked Mike Campbell, Richard Moore and Bob Yerick for their many years of service to the Village.

Jeannine Dirie advised the Board that the Reformed Church would hold its annual Easter Sunrise Service at 700am on April 4th. The Esopus Creek Conservancy is holding its

annual Decks and Docks event on June 6th. The Saugerties Historical Society is meeting to stage Old Timers Day once again. The Historic Review Board minutes will be forthcoming. Michael Sullivan Smith's historic videos are ready to view on UTUBE. Ms. Dirie offered her thanks to retired Mayor Robert Yerick for all his years of service to the Village.

Eyal Saad spoke and urged property owners to perform any needed property maintenance.

Suzanne LeBlanc had no news to report on the Zoning Board or Economic Development. The Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on March 18th regarding the Partition Street Project. Steve Satten attended a preliminary meeting with the Planning Board regarding property on Ferry Street. Classes will be available in April from TV23 and TV23 personnel are helping students at Saugerties High School set up a studio. All the equipment at the High School is donated – kudos to Paul VanSchaack and Nigel Redmond.

Trustee LeBlanc presented the TV23 Franchise Agreement for Board approval. Motion was made by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to approve the agreement. Carried.

Mrs. LeBlanc advised the Board that they should have received the preliminary budgets. More work will be done on the budget after the vote on the Police Department Consolidation. Motion was made by Trustee LeBlanc, seconded by Trustee Dirie, to schedule a Public Hearing on the Budget for 6:30pm on April 5th. Carried.

Fire Chief Anthony Bell presented the SFD report (copy attached). He thanked Trustee Campbell for his work as Fire Commissioner saying it has been a pleasure to work with him. Trustee Campbell replied that the “feeling was mutual”.

Mr. Campbell presented the name of Andrew Sweeney for membership in the Washington Hook & Ladder Company and Stacy McGir for membership in the CA Lynch Fire Company as assistant firefighters. Motion was made by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Trustee Myers, to approve Mr. Sweeney for membership. Carried. Motion was made by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Murphy, to approve Stacy McGir for membership. Carried.

Mr. Campbell advised the Board that the Village website was up to date. He distributed a listing an emergency phone numbers for the Board's use.

Mr. Murphy presented the Police Report (copy attached). He wished Officer Terry Mayone well in his retirement after many years as a Village Police Officer.

Bob Ciarlante presented the DPW report (copy attached). There have been 13 snow events so far this season. Several dead trees have been removed in the Village. Mr.

Ciarlante asked that residents not put yard waste in the street until April – he would like the street sweeper to have a chance to clean the streets first.

Trustee Myers advised the Board she is looking for residents to serve on the Tree Commission. The Town of Pine Plains has asked for a copy of our tree law. Mrs. Myers has called Verizon and spoken with the new area manager about the “double pole” situation in the Village. The new manager promised action. The DPW, along with the Water Department, repaired a broken pipe on Post Street. The DPW is looking at the drainage issue on Mill Street Extension. Residents of Overbaugh Street have asked that the speed limit be reduced to 25MPH. The Board agreed to consider the request.

Joe Bisignano delivered the Water Department report. The weekend rain and snow forced the plant to shut down. Water was once again used from the 3 million-gallon water tank with no interruption of service to residents. New water mains will be installed on Post Street beginning in April.

The Wastewater Department report is attached.

Alex Wade reminded everyone to complete his or her Census Forms.

Mr. Wade presented the revised stormwater contract to include an additional \$25,000.00 for engineering services. Motion was made by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Mr. Campbell, to approve the revised contract. Carried.

Trustee LeBlanc thanked Trustee Mike Campbell for his years of service on the Village Board. He worked on many projects and will be missed. Mr. Murphy added his good wishes and thanked Mr. Campbell for volunteering to continue to keep the Village website up to date along with a couple extra projects.

Mr. Murphy reminded everyone of “Bob Yerick Day” on March 28th, 100pm – 400pm, at the American Legion on John Street.

Mr. Murphy reminded everyone to vote on March 16th – probably the most important vote in Village history. Best of luck to all candidates.

Motion was made by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Ms. Dirie, to adjourn. Carried. The Board adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Frank
Village Clerk