

Village Board Meeting

Minutes

May 2, 2016

Present: Mayor Murphy, Trustee Brian Martin, Trustee Terry Parisian, Trustee Vince Buono, Trustee Don Hackett, Deputy Mayor Jeannine Mayer
Alex Wade, Ed Quirk, Robert Ford, William Kimble, Residents Robin Goss, Victor McGregor

Mayor Murphy called the Village Board meeting to order at 5:00 pm.
Trustee Buono led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Privilege of the Floor

Robin Goss a resident of Mynderse Street, spoke regarding the Lynch Marina project.

We, the Friends of Lynch Marina, are concerned about the interpretation of the uses allowed in the zoning district R1W, the district in which Lynch is located.

We understand that what is called a standard restaurant is allowed with a special use permit. Standard restaurant is defined in the definitions of the zoning law as an establishment where food and beverages are prepared, served and intended to be consumed within the principle building. We are aware of a pending application to the planning board for what is being called a "public assembly restaurant". This phrase is not used in our zoning law in reference to uses allowed. We consider the proposed commercial wedding business as a very different use not included under our standard restaurant special use permit. I would also point out that the owners of Lynch are advertising weddings for 300 with valet parking starting June 1st. If the intention is to use Diamond Mills parking for Lynch's events, it is already overflowing onto Dock Street, and it was sized and approved for the facility only. They are creating their own hardship.

Lynch's Marina is surrounded by single family homes that do not intend to have their properties invaded by amplified sound and traffic. Not only is it a safety issue, the neighborhood would be adversely affected with the outdoor noise pollution for an unlimited number of days each year if commercial weddings are allowed.

WE hope that compromises can be made – no amplification outdoors and nor more attendance than the legal parking on site will allow.

Mayor Murphy asked Ms. Goss what is the real issue, what is the statement "the Friends of the Lynch Marina"? "Where were the friends for the past 20 years when the buildings were dilapidated?"

Ms. Goss responded that the "Friends" wanted to be sure that all the local zoning laws were being upheld. Mayor Murphy assured Ms. Goss that all procedures are being followed just as anyone else who applies to the Planning or Zoning Board would have to follow.

Mayor Murphy, Eyal Saad, and Mr. Struzzieri had a meeting to go over all the plans for the marina. Mr. Struzzieri has a long term plan with the restaurant/wedding venue being the beginning. The bulkhead will be replaced and the docks restored with public boating access in the future. Shuttle service from the marina to the Village business district is also part of future plans. An installation of a sprinkler system in the building holding large groups of people according to the fire code.

Trustee Parisian stated that Ms. Goss doesn't have facts and is making assumptions. This is a positive project for the Village.

Alex Wade stated that the zoning was meant to have waterfront businesses and public water access on that side of the creek and primarily residences on the other side.

The Planning Board will review the Lynch Marina application for Special Use Permit and Site Plan at their meeting on Wednesday, May 11th at 6:30pm.

Mayor Murphy presented the Minutes of the April 18, 2016 Village Board meeting. Motion was made by Trustee Buono, seconded by Trustee Mayor, to approve the minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstracts;

• General Fund	\$ 30,681.05	Short Lived Assets	\$ 4,285.79
• Water	\$ 7,782.93	Special H	\$ 217.00
• Wastewater	\$ 10,446.75		

Motion made by Trustee Hackett to accept the Abstracts, seconded by Trustee Martin. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Murphy presented a letter from the Saugerties Area Council of Churches requesting approval for their annual Vacation Bible School parade through the Village. The parade will take place on Thursday, July 28th at 7pm. Trustee Buono made a motion to approve the request for the parade and Trustee Hackett seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Alex Wade presented the Special Assignment report (copy attached). Alex reported that the Streetscape project is in the final review stage and the Village can start to use the remaining funds for sidewalk repairs in the business district.

All new street paving projects must comply with ADA standards. Market Street maybe an issue with so many intersections.

The revitalization of the Lynch Marina will be a big boon to the Village economy. Kingston and Catskill are the closest places boaters can dock. Providing public access to boats in Saugerties was a major goal of the Waterfront Revitalization Program. Please be at the May 11th Planning board meeting to hear the plans for the Lynch Marina.

Trustee Buono reported that the Transportation Committee will be updating the bike routes and producing a new brochure.

Economic Development Committee is reviewing the parking situation on the east side of Partition Street.

Trustee Hackett reported that due to a request for forgiveness on a sewer charge for water used to fill a swimming pool, he is requesting that the Water and Sewer supervisors develop a procedure. He would like to have a policy for a one time perk for residents that fill their pools. They would not have to pay for the sewer charge for the amount of water it took to fill the pool.

He has received a complaint about garbage along Cole Place. When Price Chopper cleans their parking lot, the garbage is blown along Cole Place. The last time this happened, DPW cleaned up the mess. The parking issue on Partition Street in front of Slices and Montano's is being handled by the Police and property owners.

Trustee Parisian reported that the Village clean-up is over and it went well. Please refrain from putting anymore brush in the streets. The North Street area is open from 10-2 to drop off brush.

Trustees Martin had nothing to report.

Trustee Mayer reported that there will be a preview of the Street art on May 27th. Installation of the artwork will be completed by DPW before Memorial Day weekend.

A convertible is needed to drive the Mum Court in the 4th of July Parade.

The committee has received two application for the Revolving Loan.

Mayor Murphy, Greg Helmoortel and Trustee Mayer are forming a Mum Festival committee. They need anybody interested in volunteering to be on the committee.

Two people are needed to serve on the TV23 committee.

Mayor Murphy presented the application for permit to keep farm animals submitted by Victor McGregor.

The Mayor thanked Mr. McGregor for his application and providing the letters from his neighbors. All the neighbor letters were in favor of Mr. McGregor having chickens.

Mr. McGregor stated that he would like to have 6 -8 chickens. A plan for the chicken coop was included with the application.

Mayor Murphy made a motion to approve the permit for Mr. McGregor to keep chickens. The motion was seconded by Trustee Parisian. The Motion carried unanimously. Mr. McGregor thanked the Board.

Trustee Hackett stated that there is still a big feral cat problem in the Village. Funding and volunteers are needed to help. The SPCA agrees to spay or neuter for a discounted fee. Feral cats are caught spayed or neutered and returned. Donations to the fund are appreciated.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Trustee Buono, seconded by Trustee Hackett.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:50pm.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for May 16, 2016 at 5:00pm.

Lisa Mayone
Village Clerk

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