

VILLAGE OF SAUGERTIES 43 PARTITION STREET SAUGERTIES, N.Y. 12477

Village Board Meeting Minutes August 16, 2021

Present: Deputy Mayor Mayer, Trustees Don Hackett, Terry Parisian, Jeff Helmuth, Vince Buono Others: Paula Kerbert, Alex Wade, Andrew Zink, Bill Kemble, Brian Hubert, Ed Quirk, Willie Neuman, Gary Rose.

Deputy Mayor Mayer opened the Village Board meeting at 5:30pm. Jeannine stated that the Mayor is away bringing his daughter back to college and that's why he wasn't present.

Trustee Buono led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Privilege of the Floor

Gary Rose, resident of 77 Main Street is concerned about a tree in his front yard that is uprooting his bluestone sidewalk. He stated that he has seen several people fall on it and trip over it. The tree commission came out and looked at it a while back and deemed it not necessary to take it down, it's a healthy tree. However, Mr. Rose would like it taken down so he can fix his sidewalk so it's not a hazard. He's afraid someone will get hurt badly and he will be at fault for not maintain the sidewalk. Eyal Saad, the code enforcement officer told Mr. Rose to get something in writing from the tree commission stating they don't want the tree down and then he could appeal it. Rich Forbes, the DPW supervisor said he would take another look at it as well and see if there was something he could do.

Willy Neumann, a resident of the village is concerned about the bikers and runners on West Bridge Street. He stated that a lot of them aren't wearing reflective gear and he has almost hit a couple people. He was asking if the village could mandate the reflective gear and helmets at which point the board said that they can't mandate people wearing protective or reflective gear. Also, he stated that the sidewalk at the corner of Main and West Bridge, (old Dr. Wenger building) is in very bad shape and they actually have a piece of plywood over top of it in places. Eyal Saad the code enforcement officer said he would go over and take a look at it and see if they need to be sent a letter. Willie also asked if he could find a dead tree to bring down to the beach and tie water chestnuts around it as a sculpture. He was asking for permission to do the sculpture. He gave the Deputy Mayor a sketch. Deputy Mayor Mayer said she would pass the sketch onto the Mayor.

Deputy Mayor Mayer presented the Village Board Meeting Minutes from August 2, 2021. Trustee Buono made a motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes from August 2, 2021. The motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes from August 2, 2021 was seconded by Trustee Parisian. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstracts for August 16, 2021:

General \$ 37,825.59
 Water \$ 8,338.69
 Wastewater \$ 34,076.28

Trustee Hackett made a motion to approve the Abstract for August 16, 2021. The motion to approve the Abstract for August 16, 2021, was seconded Trustee Helmuth. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Supervisor Reports

Eyal Saad-An update on the harvester. As of today we have done 108 hours and pulled out about 46 tons of milfoil and water chestnuts. The Mayor has asked Eyal to go to speak with a person in Malden about them using the harvester for part of the Malden area. Eyal looked at the area and it's something that the harvester could do. He will report back to the Mayor. Trustee Hackett had a concern that we are already doing the creek and asked why we would be helping out in Malden. Eyal said that the town owns 1/3 of the harvester and he would be ok with them using it. Trustee Hackett said he would meet

with Eyal towards the end of the week and discuss it with him. Trustee Hackett feels we bought it for the creek and it should be on the creek not in the Hudson. They have suspended the training for the summer and Eyal hopes to get with the labor attorney about getting sexual harassment training here. Trustee Buono asked Eyal if there were any updates on Clovalea. Eyal didn't have any updates on it as of today.

Eyal was handed a sheet of paper by Trustee Hackett to give them information on the 2015 Jeep he bought back in 2015 and has since paid off. Eyal went to Sawyer Motors and can get \$10K for the old Jeep towards a brand new one costing \$24K so we would only have to pay \$14K for a new Jeep. He spoke to the Mayor about it and he was in favor of doing this.

For parking in the village it was discussed with Trustee Hackett and Eyal that there isn't enough parking in the Village on the side streets. Eyal had a couple of options for multi-family housing. The current requirements right now is 1½ parking spots per dwelling. That's for new construction or rehabilitation. Option 1 would be 2 parking spaces per dwelling up to 2 bedrooms and an additional spot for each bedroom after. 3 family dwelling you would need 3 parking spaces for new construction. Trustee Helmuth stated that we should change the parking regulations to 1 parking spot per bedroom. Eyal stated that option 2 would be to change it to 1 parking spot per bedroom. Trustee Helmuth said we have to change the law but asked if they had to go to the planning board to do this? Eyal stated that it would pertain to new construction or refurbished housing. Eyal stated that in the business district there's no parking on Partition Street for tenants and he would like to change the regulations to be parking for each tenant but we would have to change the law with the trustees and Mayor here in the office not through the planning board. This would be for pre-existing and refurbished. Report is attached.

Supervisor Forbes-DPW helped out the water department with a small leak on Latham circle. They will finish black top and lawn repairs tomorrow. See report attached.

Supervisor Hopf-Total amount of water treated for the month of July was 29,879,856 gallons or 963,866 gallons per day. See attached report.

Supervisor Terpening-Lions club mowing and weeding weekly. See attached report.

Supervisor Marino-See attached report for waste water.

Alex Wade- see attached report for Special Projects.

Trustee Hackett-Trying to schedule a meeting with the Mayor and Fred Costello regarding the harvester. Lot of man power. Also had an interview with a candidate for the waste water supervisor position and he turned down the position. Still looking for a person to fill the job. We do have an interview with Josh Miller from Saugerties on Friday August 20th. Going to have a work party at the Montross Peace Park on August 28th. Anyone who wants to attend can.

Trustee Buono-Asked Paula if we heard anything from Brinnier & Larios about the engineering report for the waste water bond. Paula said no and is going to email Dennis Larios tomorrow and find out when it will be completed. Asked Paula if she attended the webinar for the ARPA funds and she said she did and is waiting for the recording of it so we can figure out what we can use the funds for.

Trustee Parisian-Nothing new to report.

Trustee Helmuth-Nothing new to report.

Deputy Mayor Mayer-Deputy Mayor Mayer attended the chamber board meeting to find out about the online bidding for the butterflies. The auction will be September 11th. The next regular chamber meeting

will be September 25th. Not sure if it will be at the Stallions or the lodge. The visitor's center has been stocked with local brochures from different places. Mum festival is still looking for vendors. There's live entertainment but we can't do any wildlife shows. The Saugerties Arts Commission is still interviewing for positions on the board. No TV23 meeting, no business. The food truck festival is this Thursday at Cantine Field.

Trustee Hacket made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Buono seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

The next Village Board meeting is Tuesday September 7th 2021 5:30 pm.

Paula Kerbert Village Treasurer August 17, 2021