



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

Village Board Meeting Minutes May 20, 2019

Present: Mayor Murphy, Deputy Mayor Jeannine Mayer, Trustees Terry Parisian, Brian Martin, Jeff Helmuth, Don Hackett, Vincent Buono

Others: Chief Sinagra, Alex Wade, Mike Hopf, Eyal Saad, Rich Forbes, George Terpening, Paul Boice, Ed Quirk, Bill Kemble, Dave Gordon,

Mayor Murphy opened the meeting at 5:32pm.

Mayor Murphy requested High School government student - Karissa lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Privilege of the Floor – no one was present to address the Board.

Mayor Murphy presented the Village Board Minutes from May 6, 2019.

Trustee Buono made a motion to approve the Village Board Minutes from May 6, 2019. The motion to approve the minutes from May 6, 2019 was seconded by Trustee Hackett. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for May 20, 2019:

- **General** \$ 26,091.45
- **Water** \$ 10,592.45
- **Wastewater** \$ 12,140.54

Deputy Mayor Mayer made a motion to approve the Abstract for May 20, 2019. The motion to approve the Abstract of May 20, 2019 was seconded by Trustee Helmuth. . All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Reports

Mike Hopf presented his report for the Water Department. See attached report.

The legal description for the easement at Winston Farm and/or Snyder's Farm for the Secondary Water Source Project was sent out to the property owners.

The Fishing derby was Sunday May 19th. There were approximately 100 people that participated.

Hydrant flushing is scheduled for June 3rd through June 7th.

Mike Hopf requested approval of the hiring of Victoria Davide for a fulltime clerk position at the Water Department.

Trustee Hackett inquired where we advertised for the position. **Mike Hopf** stated that he had checked with civil service for their list and by word of mouth. Four candidates were interviewed.

Trustee Hackett made a motion to approve the hiring of Victoria Davide for a full time position in the Water Department. Trustee Buono seconded the motion to approve the hiring of Victoria Davide for a full time position in the Water Department. The motion carried unanimously.

Victoria's start date is scheduled for June 3rd.

Rich Forbes presented his report for the Department of Public Works. See the attached report.

The pipe work is done at 221 Washington Avenue. The resident's had reported a big sink hole in their yard. The problem was related to a 36 inch storm sewer line between 2 manholes that was rotting and collapsing. The line was in an easement that went along their property. The line was excavated and repaired. Thank you to the DPW and Wastewater crew for a very professional job.

The DPW crew has started to install the sailboat street art for the Chamber of Commerce. There are 37 sailboats to be on display.

Eyal Saad presented his report for the Building Department. See the attached report.

The Planning Board is proposing to retain an engineering firm to provide engineering advice and counsel regarding the special use permit and site plan application by Southern Realty Development and Joanne Ostrander for the property located at 298 Ulster Avenue. An escrow account, funded by the applicant, has been set up and a proposal for an engineer review of the project was sent to Praetorius and Conrad. The Village will have to go into contract with Praetorius and Conrad, if they accept the proposal.

New contractors are scheduled to remove the debris and clean up the site 18-20 Russell Street. The asbestos review has been completed.

The work at Tina Chorvas Park is partially complete. A small swell needs to be done. Graffiti has to be painted over by Arm of The Sea. A camera in the area has been suggested. Eyal urges everyone to visit the park to see the work that has been done there.

Trustee Buono asked about the progress with the 48 Post Street where there was a house fire.

Eyal Saad responded that the owners are supposed to board it up and that they are not sure what they are if they are going to rebuild or demolish it. They are waiting for the insurance company to respond. The front of the house is repairable but the back is gone.

The condemned house at 42 Post Street owners were supposed to get back to the Village by the end of April. We will try to contact the owners again.

The registered letter sent to the residents of 32 Elizabeth Street has been returned as not accepted. This will allow the Village to contract an exterminator to take care of the rodent problem and clean up the outside area.

Eyal spoke to the representative from Twin Bridges regarding the change in phone billing proposal. There is no change in the service or equipment only a paper change in billing. We are not changing to Voice Over IP. It is up to the Board to decide to make the change or not.

Trustee Parisian asked if there was any new information about the Cloverlea/Dragon Inn. **Eyal** responded that he had email correspondence with the owner regarding temporary fencing which was to be started a few weeks ago.

Captain Filak reported the Police statistics for the month of April. See attached report.

The first annual 2 day women's bike race went very well.

Officer Jen Culver and K9 Romulus graduated from K9 School and took first place in the United States Police K9 Association in overall trials for narcotics.

The Cahill School 5k run was this Saturday.

There will be two agency sponsored courses this year – Patrol Rifle – May 22 & 23 and a Police Bike Patrol School is scheduled for June 3rd. Officers from Woodstock PD, Hyde Park PD and the Ulster County Sheriff's Office have signed up to participate.

George Terpening presented his report for the Buildings, Parks and Grounds. See attached report. Summer help are reporting back to work.

Deputy Mayor Mayer asked George if there were enough lifeguards for the summer. George stated that he has three lifeguards returning from last year and two new lifeguards.

Trustee Hackett asked for a list of names of the summer employees for the Board to review. Three college students have started already – Jackie Gehring, Nick Brennan and Eric Leland. The other summer employees are high school students that will start once school has ended.

Trustee Hackett presented the report for the Wastewater Department. See attached report. Thank you to the Waste Water Dept. for great work at the Washington Avenue repair.

Trustee Parisian reported the DPW has remaining funds in this year's budget. The 2017 Jeep will be traded in for a more useful pickup truck.

Trustee Helmuth had nothing new to report. Trustee Helmuth questioned if there was a decision on the Farmers Market sponsorship. The Farmers Market confirmed the date of June 15th as the Village sponsored event. **Mayor Murphy** stated that the Village sponsors the Farmers Market every year and that the event is part of the sponsorship. **Deputy Mayor Mayer** reminded everyone that they are invited to Opening Day at the Farmer's Market on Saturday, May 25 at 10am.

Trustee Buono had nothing new to report.

Trustee Hackett reported that he attended a meeting with Mary Leahy, Barry Benepe and Mark Smith to discuss the possibility of forming an Architectural Review Committee. The idea was presented to review the aesthetics of a proposed project. The Town has a similar committee and a guide. It would be an extension of the Planning Board. **Trustee Hackett** stated that he didn't think it matched up with the Town's guidelines. **Mayor Murphy** stated that if the new Board was to be considered it would have to consist of professional architects and planners, otherwise it is just another committee of personal opinions. **Mary Leahy** stated that it would add another layer to the Planning Board and she appreciates the offer of help from Mark and Barry but feels it will be redundant. The current code already has laws regarding architecture.

Deputy Mayor Mayer reported:

- The Chamber of Commerce had a preview of the street art at SPAF. The sailboats will be on display beginning this week through Labor Day. The next Chamber of Commerce mixer will be May 29th at Smith Hardware at 6:30. The shed for the Visitors Center has been ordered.
- TV23 meeting is making a sub- committee – Station Metrics - to determine who is watching, streaming or using Facebook. A new Board member representing the Town is Christine Dinsmore.
- The Comprehensive Plan Committee meeting will be May 29th.
- The Mum Festival committee has submitted their application for the 4th of July parade and have a convertible for the Mum Queen and court.

Resolution #7 NYS Retirement System Standard Work Day Report

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Mayor Murphy made a motion approve to approve Resolution #7 NYS Retirement System Standard Work Day Report. Trustee Parisian seconded the motion to approve Resolution #7 NYS Retirement System Standard Work Day Report. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #8 Denying the Rezoning Petition of Chestnut Hill Holding Co. LLC for Property at Teetsel Street

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Trustee Parisian seconded the motion to approve Resolution #8 Denying the Rezoning Petition of Chestnut Hill Holding Co. LLC for Property at Teetsel Street. Roll call was 5 yes, 1 absent, and 1 abstain. The motion carried.

Farmer's Market WAMC

The proposal for the Farmer's Market advertising Village events on the radio station WAMC was discussed. The Board members agreed that the tax payers should not be paying for radio ad campaigns. It should be the marketing effort of the group that wants to advertise. The rates seem high as well.

Trustee Parisian made a motion to not support the WAMC Ad campaign proposal from the Farmer's Market. Trustee Buono seconded the motion to not support the WAMC Ad campaign proposal from the Farmer's Market. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Hackett made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Parisian. Motion carried unanimously. The Village Board Meeting adjourned at 6:10pm.

Next Village Board meeting is June 3, 2019 at 5:30 pm.

Lisa Mayone

Village Clerk

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