



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

Village Board Meeting Minutes February 6, 2023

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

Others: Ed Quirk, Dave Gordon, Andrew Zink, Bill Kemble, Eyal Saad, Mike Karashay

Mayor Murphy opened the Village Board meeting at 5:31pm.

Jeff Helmuth led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Public Hearing Petition for Zoning Change/Public Hearing Real Property Tax Law for Fire Fighters/Public Hearing proposed for additions to Existing Short-Term Rental

Public Hearing for **Petition for Zoning Change remains open for the B1 district zoning.** Discussion based on response from Ulster County. B1 Zoning District not changed boundaries. The regulation to change within the B1 zone. Making a motion to overrule Ulster County Referral. This would have no impact on any existing or work that is in process. To waive the Ulster County Referral, would require a super majority.

Mayor Murphy made a motion to close the Public Hearing for the Petition for Zoning Change. Trustee Helmuth seconded the motion to close the Public Hearing for the Petition for Zoning Change. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Murphy made a motion to overrule Ulster County referral for the Petition for Zoning Change. Trustee Parisian seconded the motion to overrule Ulster County Referral for the Petition for Zoning Change. Vote was taken; 6 to 0 in favor. All in favor, motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing for Real Property Tax Law for Fire Fighters, Mayor Murphy made a motion to close the Public Hearing for the Real Property Tax Law for Fire Fighters. Deputy Mayor Mayer seconded the motion to close the Public Hearing for the Real Property Tax Law for Fire Fighters. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Murphy made a motion for the option to take either the 10% value on the assessment of the Village Fire Fighters property or a \$200.00 tax credit. Trustee Buono seconded the motion for the option to take either the 10% value on the assessment of the Fire Fighters property or a \$200.00 tax credit. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously. Andrew Zink shared his support for the Real Property Tax Law for Fire Fighters.

Public Hearing proposed for additions to Existing Short-Term Rental Law. Mayor Murphy made a motion to close the Public Hearing for the additions to Existing Short-Term Rental Law. Trustee Buono seconded the motion to close the Public Hearing for the additions to Existing Short-Term Rental Law. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion on the Short-Term Rental, change to have short term rentals require to be registered with the Village. Eyal Saad help to get the word to the public via TV23 and Village Saugerties website with a link for the application. Voluntary compliance will be used initially.

Public Hearing proposed for additions to Existing Short-Term Rental Law. Vince Buono made a motion approve the additions to Existing Short-Term Rental Law. Trustee Parisian seconded the motion to approve the additions to Existing Short-Term Rental Law. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Privilege of the Floor

Mike Karashay wanted to Thank Mayor Murphy and the Village Board for the support and approving the Real Property Tax Law for the Village Fire Fighters. Forms and verification from The Fire Chief and need to be submitted to assessor office by March 1, 2023. Forms will be emailed to Village office.

Mayor Murphy presented the Village Board Meeting Minutes from January 17, 2023.

Trustee Parisian made a motion to approve the Village Board Meeting Minutes from January 17, 2023. Trustee Buono seconded the motion to approve the minute from January 17, 2023. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstracts for February 6, 2023.

- General \$ 121,560.79
- Water \$ 26,395.82
- Wastewater \$ 22,110.30

Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the Abstracts for January 17, 2023. Deputy Mayor Mayer seconded the motion to approve the Abstracts for January 17, 2023. All in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Paula Kerbert – see attached report.

Budget meetings request have been sent out to Supervisors to review. Meeting with the Trustees as well.

Trustee Reports

Trustee Parisian – Nothing to report. Trustee Parisian wanted to thank DPW department for the set up and clean up the Snow Moon Festival that took place over the weekend. Weather dampened the events on Saturday.

Trustee Helmuth – Revised Village Water agreement contract with the Town that needs to be signed by the end March. Mike Hopf and Trustee Helmuth will email Mayor Murphy with the final and Mayor Murphy will contact Supervisor Fred Costello to see that it's finalized and signed. Trustee Helmuth said they are no longer in negotiations but would like to see it completed unless the Town has something major to address.

Deputy Mayor Mayer – Thank the DPW for their help with Snow Moon Festival and Cecelia Karashay.

Chronogram reached out to the Art Commission and will do an article in the month of March.

Saugerties Chamber of Commerce had a float in the Snow Moon Festival used old street art. The parade had floats with Gus made snowflake, Willy made a knot. Crafts in the Exchange, the population was more out of towners than locals. Jen Hicks showed cased the ballerinas in the window. Art show in Newberry Artisan Market set up by Art Commission.

Saugerties Chamber of Commerce theme will be Horsing Around Saugerties. Collaboration with owners of Hits and the Gala will be there. Bronze level \$700.00. Join with Town to split cost.

Saugerties Chamber of Commerce is also starting First Friday concerts from June – September. Tina Chorvas at June, July, and August.

Saugerties Chamber of Commerce starting a Vintage Baseball Team- uniforms and equipment.

Benefit of being Chamber member, Gus be doing videos for new members and will be put up on the website. Next Mixer February 22 will be at Upriver Studios

Saugerties Chamber of Commerce and Destinations Saugerties meeting with Mayor Murphy 2/7/2023.

Trustee Martin – Nothing to report.

Trustee Buono - Transportation Committee meeting, reducing speed on RT 212 in certain spots. New member concerned about the speed. Barbara Buwick concerned about the railroad crossings on Old Kings Highway, the goal would be to have one entrance to cross.

The next **Village Board meeting Tuesday, February 21, at 5:30 pm.**

Peggy Melville Village Clerk February 8, 2022