



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

## Village Board Meeting Minutes March 18, 2019

**Present:** Mayor Murphy, Jeannine Mayer, Don Hackett, Vince Buono, Terry Parisian, Brian Martin, Mike Hopf, Mike Marino, Eyal Saad, George Terpening, Richard Forbes, Paul Boice, Alex Wade, Ed Quirk, Chief Sinagra, Dave Gordon, Bob Gallenz, 8 High school government students

**Mayor Murphy** called the **Village Board Meeting** to order at 5: 30 pm.

**Mayor Murphy** requested **HS Student John Patrick Monahan** to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**Privilege of the Floor** – Bob Gallenz addressed the Board. He complimented the DPW and Parks Department on the good job they have done dealing with the strange winter we have had. Mr. Gallenz is happy to see the fire damaged house at 18-20 Russell Street is down.

**Mayor Murphy presented the Village Board Minutes from March 4, 2019. Trustee Parisian made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2019 Village Board meeting. The motion to approve the minutes was seconded by Deputy Mayor Mayer. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for March 18, 2019:**

- **General** \$ 13,966.04
- **Water** \$ 5,649.79
- **Wastewater** \$ 12,441.29

**Deputy Mayor Mayer made a motion to approve the Abstract for March 18, 2019. The motion to approve the Abstract of March 18, 2019 was seconded by Trustee Hackett. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Rich Forbes** presented his report for the Department of Public Works. See the attached report. The street sweeper is being repaired and should be up and running to start cleaning the streets next week. There is a lot of catch basin repairs to be done this season.

**Mayor Murphy** complimented Rich and the DPW department for the great job they have done for his first winter as Supervisor. There were more compliments from residents than complaints.

**Mike Marino** presented his report for the Wastewater Department. See the attached report. Mike thanked the DPW Department for their help with the towing and repair of the Wastewater tractor trailer. **Trustee Parisian** questioned what the % of septic taken in from haulers at the treatment plant is recycled as compared to what we take in from the Village. We take in 850 – 900 thousand gallons on an average day. The concentration of the septic is more than the water. There is about 20-30% sludge versus 2-3% septic. We are the only facility in the area that takes in the sludge from haulers. The closest is Newburgh or Albany. It costs the haulers more to drive to Albany for a cheaper rate than to dump here at a higher rate. Discussion continued regarding the cost of the processing of the sludge and its relationship to the Town's portion. The Town's system is not set up to handle the sludge. We are allowed to accept up to 20K gallons per day to process.

**Mike Hopf** presented his report for the Water Department. See the attached report. Preparations has begun for the CRZ project- high rate tube settler. A concrete slab will be poured for the new filter that is to be delivered in August.

A revised easement document has been drafted for the secondary water source project at Winston Farm. It will be presented to the property owners for negotiation.

A possible leak in Barclay Heights was detected but has not been confirmed by the Town yet. The resident has water in the backyard. The Glasco Water System/Town is billed based on the meter readings and the usage has been consistent with previous billing. The search for a system wide leak is ongoing.

Fred Carney has transferred from the Water Department to DPW. The open position has been posted internally with no interest so far. **Trustee Hackett** remarked that Fred is a good employee and has done a great job for the Village. Mike Hopf added that Fred is an asset to all departments.

**Chief Sinagra** presented his report for the Police Department. See the attached report.

**Chief Sinagra** thanked the DPW crew for keeping the roads clear. It makes the police job much easier.

**Chief Sinagra** would like to meet with **Mayor Murphy** regarding information received about an upgrade to the camera system. There have been some problems with some of the street cameras.

**George Terpening** presented his report for the Buildings, Parks and Grounds Department. See attached report. Thank you to DPW for making and replacing several rusted out street pole flower boxes. The Society of Little Gardens plant flowers in the boxes every spring and fall.

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

The 2018 NYS Annual Administration and Enforcements Report has been submitted. If you don't submit the report you are off the list and technically not allowed to perform code enforcement. The new codes books are only supplied for free to municipalities that complete the report. Otherwise, the books can be purchased at a cost \$1500 - \$2000.

The on street parking ban is over as of March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Alex Wade** presented his report for Special Projects. See attached report.

The Bluestone project engineer's report was submitted today. We hope to have the paperwork back to be able to advertise for bids next week.

**Trustee Martin** presented the report for the Fire Department See the attached report.

The Fire Department is waiting for an estimate from the insurance company regarding a fender bender with the rescue truck and a mutual aid fire truck.

Sean McGirr has applied to advance from Jr. Membership to Active Membership. He is 18 years old and has met all the requirements. He has been a fairly active Jr. Member.

**Trustee Martin made a motion to approve the Sean McGirr's application for membership in the RA Snyder Hose Company. Trustee Hackett seconded the motion to approve the Sean McGirr's application for membership in the RA Snyder Hose Company. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Trustee Parisian** reported it is too early for a date for the spring cleanup. Overnight parking restrictions have been lifted as of March 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Deputy Mayor Mayer** reported

- The Chamber of Commerce Artist Meet Sponsor event was Sunday. The artist picked for the Village and Town sailboat is Kristy Bishop. The next meeting will be at Bruno's Pizza on March 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. The guest speaker will be Beth Troxel from the Woodstock Film Festival.
- The Comprehensive Plan Committee will have a meeting on March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm.
- TV23 will check the roof of The Inquiring Minds building for a possible location for the Live camera. The National Weather Service has been chosen to be the vendor and Spectrum will display the banner alerts on the bottom of the screen. The streaming advertising is a possible area for revenue.

**Trustee Buono** reported that the budget meetings have been going well. There is tentative budget at this point. It is a very good budget with a few anticipated adjustments. No increase in taxes is expected. **Mayor Murphy made a motion to set a Public Hearing to present the tentative 2019-2020 budget for April 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm. Deputy Mayor Mayer seconded the motion to set a Public Hearing to present the tentative 2019-2020 budget for April 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Trustee Parisian** commented that the AIM funding to all municipalities as well as the severe weather for Highways has been put back in the NYS budget. It remains to be seen when the budget is finally approved.

**Trustee Martin** reported that the tree commission will be removing trees on Main Street in the business district and replacing with new trees. A flyer with a photo of the new trees was provided. They will have higher branches as to allow for parked vehicles to open their doors without breaking branches. The new trees are funded through the DEC grant and are in place of the tree guards that were decided against.

**Mayor Murphy** suggested that the trees that are being removed be offered to residents who may want them. **Alex Wade** commented that there is a concern about how the trees are removed. The utilities are under the sidewalks on Main Street.

**Trustee Hackett** reported that the Ulster County Community Action will have a meeting at the Library on March 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:30. They will be discussing the needs of the community regarding young children, the elderly and food banks.

Gail Porter, I Paddle New York, requested the use of the village dumpster for the Hudson River Cleanup project on Saturday May 4<sup>th</sup> to be located at Tina Chorvas Park. The dumpster is used for the debris cleaned up from along the creek each spring.

**Mayor Murphy** made a motion to approve the request of a Village dumpster for use during the Hudson River Cleanup on May 4<sup>th</sup>. **Deputy Mayor Mayer** seconded the motion to approve the request of a Village dumpster for use during the Hudson River Cleanup on May 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Zoning Petition**

The Board discussed the Zoning Petition for Chestnut Hill Holdings LLC. It was agreed that the zoning should be looked into further to determine what makes sense for the surrounding area. The zoning for the entire area is the consideration not the particular proposed project.

**Trustee Parisian made a motion to postpone a decision on the Chestnut Hill Holdings LLC's zoning change petition until 62 days from the close of the Public Hearing. Deputy Mayor Mayer seconded the motion to postpone a decision on the Chestnut Hill Holdings LLC's zoning change petition until 62 days from the close of the Public Hearing. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Trustee Parisian made a motion to close the Public Hearing on the Chestnut Hill Holdings LLC's zoning change petition. Deputy Mayor Mayer seconded the motion to close the Public Hearing on the Chestnut Hill Holdings LLC's zoning change petition. The motion carried unanimously.**

**Trustee Hackett made a motion to adjourn the Village Board meeting, seconded by Trustee Parisian. The motion carried unanimously. The Village Board Meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.**

**The next Village Board meeting is scheduled for Monday April 1, 2019 at 5:30 pm with a Public Hearing on the tentative 2019/20 Budget.**

Lisa Mayone

Village Clerk  
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