

Present: Mayor William Murphy, Trustees Patrick Landewe, Jeannine Mayer, Donald Hackett, Brian Martin, Vincent Buono and Terry Parisian

Others: Students, Alex Wade, Robert Ford – New Sau Times, Maryann Wrolsen, Jon Shapiro, and others

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

Privilege of the Floor

MaryAnn Wrolsen, of Elm Street, thanked the Board for their help in getting the privately owned commercial sweeper moved from Elm Street. Mayor Murphy said that Police Chief Sinagra spoke with the owners and driver of the sweeper. They agreed to park the sweeper in a Village lot.

Mayor Murphy presented the minutes of the September 17, 2012 Village Board. Motion was made by Trustee Martin, seconded by Trustee Hackett, to approve the minutes. Carried unanimously.

Trustee Buono presented the Abstract for October 1, 2012: General - \$49,759.16; Water - \$24,344.85; Wastewater - \$16,848.95. Motion was made by Mayor Murphy, seconded by Trustee Mayer, to approve the Abstract. Carried unanimously.

Mayor Murphy introduced proposed Local Law #8/2012. This law changes Russell Street into a one way street west from Washington Avenue to Partition Street. The Mayor explained that this change was recommended by the DOT to allow delivery trucks to access Russell Street from Washington Avenue as requested by Saugerties Furniture Mart. The Village mailed letters to all property owners on Russell Street on September 7, 2012 asking if there were any objections to this plan. Only one response was received with the resident saying “no problem”. Jon Shapiro, of Saugerties Furniture, spoke saying that he would cut the curbing to make it easier for trucks to access the warehouse and not impede traffic. He also said he would improve the sidewalk in the area. Mayor Murphy set a Public Hearing on the proposed law for October 15 at 6:45pm.

Trustee Hackett reported that he and Steve Grimm of Rural Water met with Superintendent Mike Marino to discuss the odor control problem at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. They are trying a new method. All is well at the SFD. Trustee Buono asked how the search for a new employee at the Wastewater Plant was going. Trustee Hackett said no current Village employee was interested and the position is currently being advertised in the paper.

Trustee Mayer received a new contact for the Hess Energy contract. The Comprehensive Plan Committee meets Tuesday night. The Garlic Festival was a success and the Mum Festival is Sunday at 12noon.

Trustee Landewe advised the Board that the Waterfront Advisory Board, the ZBA and the Historic Review Board all met last week to discuss 2 projects on East Bridge Street. Other communities along the Esopus Creek are concerned with the EPA's classification of the Esopus as an impaired stream. More discussion and comments are needed. The Planning Board will discuss changes to the Diamond Mills site plan at their October meeting.

Trustee Parisian reported that the DPW is busy repairing several streets and helping at the wastewater treatment plant with their conversion to natural gas. The DPW is working on signage throughout the Village and drainage on Dock Street. The fall leaf pick-up will begin the first week in November. The DPW staging area is open on Fridays for Village residents to bring yard debris.

Trustee Buono mentioned that metered parking in the Village is enforced Monday – Saturday from 9:00am to 5:00pm.

Alex Wade presented two reports (copies attached). One report covered the recent UCTC meeting – the NYS DOT reported the Federal Government is proposing to add Route 9W from Lake Katrine to Saugerties to the Federal Highway System.

Trustee Martin reported that all is well at the Water Department. The Mum Festival is Sunday. New members are needed for the Village Tree Commission.

Mayor Murphy announced the newly appointed members of the Village Ethics Committee. They are Jack Wilsey, Karyn Pavich, Bob Michaud and Ann Meiswinkel. Trustee Buono will serve as liaison.

Trustee Landewe advised the Board that he is waiting for approval from Town Supervisor Kelly Myers regarding selling the Water Chestnut Harvester to the Esopus Creek Conservancy.

Trustee Mayer asked whatever happened to the fencing placed around the trees in the Business District. Alex Wade answered that car doors were hitting the fencing causing damage to car and the fences. They were removed by the Village.

Trustee Parisian advised the meeting time for tonight's Village Board meeting listed in the Daily Freeman was incorrect.

Motion was made by Trustee Hackett, seconded by Trustee Buono, to adjourn. Carried unanimously. The Village board adjourned at 5:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Frank, Village Clerk

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