

TOWN BOARD MEETING – AUGUST 12, 2009

The Town Board Meeting was held on Wednesday, August 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Frank D. Greco Multi Purpose Building located on the corner of Market and Robinson Streets in the Village of Saugerties. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance with the following members present:

Councilman Bruce Leighton
Councilwoman Leeanne Thornton
Councilman Fred Costello
Supervisor Greg Helsmoortel

Absent: Councilwoman Nancy Campbell

PRIVILEGE OF FLOOR:

Patti Kelly, Green Energy Task Force - gave a presentation regarding solar at Town Hall & Senior Center. Asking the Town Board to approve the group to go for stimulus grant for 100% funding, this will show that the town is serious about being green by having these two buildings complete.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: none

SUPERVISOR'S COMMENTS:

Regarding the solar consideration at the town's two building, which has been discussed in past years, other companies have given estimates with a very long period of payback time. Calhoun is considered to be the best around and time frame for payback is much less.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to the above the minutes of Pre-Board Meeting of July 15, 2009, Town Board Meeting of July 15, 2009, Bid Opening of July 22, 2009 (Skatepark), Special Town Board Meeting of July 28, 2009, Public Hearing of July 30, 2009 (Finger Parcels, Sensitive Area Overlay), Bid Opening of August 6, 2009 (Animal Control/Transfer Station, Van) and Special Town Board Meeting of August 7, 2009, carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the bills as presented, carried.

General Fund	\$243,613.35
General Outside Village	65,581.50

Highway	110,827.50
Capital Projects	46,718.76
Ambulance District	40,916.67
Lighting District	7,730.57
Barclay Heights Sewer	14,967.85
Glasco Sewer	7,588.53
Malden Sewer	2,355.60
Glasco Water	6,633.94
Malden Water	1,089.79
Trust & Agency	1,820.85

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Councilman Leighton – nothing to report.

Councilwoman Thornton – Historic Preservation received letter that the certified local government has been forwarded to National with approval. CPC workshops started up again. New library starting with geo-thermal well construction. Lifespring had open house and classes will start September 27th, Tuesday and Thursday at the Methodist Church with six weeks of programs. Chronogram's September issue will feature Lifespring. TV23 contract with Time Warner is still being negotiated.

Councilman Costello – Day Camp had 212 campers signed up. Congratulations to Girls and Boys All Star teams, they did a fantastic job and it was wonderful to see. Compliment the Highway and Building and Grounds Departments on the preliminary work with the Skatepark.

MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve an assembly permit for mass gathering at the Woodstock Jewish Congregation on September 18, 2009 through September 20, 2009 and again on September 27, 2009 and September 28, 2009.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve that the Town of Saugerties is declaring itself as Lead Agency for SEQR purposes regarding the Open Space Plan.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to approve the Resolution, as on file, regarding the acceptance of a CSX Rail Utility Building relating to Tissal Road and Kings Highway.

Discussion: Supervisor Helsmoortel added that the new Tissal Road will have gates and building to house equipment will end up belonging to the town.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Leighton to approve the Resolution, as on file, regarding the bids for the Skatepark.

Discussion: Councilman Costello added that only one bid was received and we will re-bid.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to approve the Resolution, as on file, regarding a Change Order relating to the docks at the Malden Mini Park.

Discussion: Councilman Costello said this change order will make installation easier.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to accept the high bid of \$250.00 from Joyce Clearwater for the purchase of a 1995 Plymouth Voyager (advertised in the Post Star & Saugerties Times on 7-30-09), a vehicle declared surplus and of no use to the Town, per the recommendation of Marie Post, Manger of the Town of Saugerties Animal Shelter.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to approve that the Supervisor is authorized to apply for a subgrant (Certified Local Government Subgrant Application, Historical Significance Publication through the Office of Parks Recreation & Historic Preservation) on behalf of the local government, to commit local matching funds (\$18,480 {in-kind}) to the project and to enter into a contract if the subgrant is awarded.

Discussion: Supervisor Helsmoortel stated that this is in-kind work, no money will be used.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to authorize the Supervisor to sign the inter-municipal shared services agreement, as on file, with the Town of Woodstock relating to animal control.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Councilman Leighton, seconded by Councilman Costello to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Subdivision Performance Bond (a guarantee of proper construction and installation of a private road in a subdivision), as on file, regarding White Pines Lane.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Supervisor Helsmoortel to appoint Christopher Craft as a permanent dispatcher for the Town of Saugerties Police Department, per the recommendation of the Police Chief, effective July 16, 2009.

Discussion: Councilman Costello added that these dispatchers do an outstanding job and proud to have them as permanent.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Leighton to appoint Machelle Ferraro as a permanent dispatcher for the Town of Saugerties Police Department, per the recommendation of the Police Chief, effective July 24, 2009.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to appoint Officer Patrick Hastings as a 90-day temp in the Town of Saugerties Police Department to fill a vacancy due to an administrative leave, per the recommendation of the Police Chief, at a rate of \$19.00 an hour effective August 8, 2009.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Councilman Costello, seconded by Councilman Leighton to accept the resignation of Brian Woltman, a dispatcher for the Town of Saugerties Police Department, per the recommendation of the Police Chief, effective July 1, 2009.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Councilwoman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Leighton to approve the Resolution, as on file, adopting Local Law No. 6 for 2009 regarding the Finger Parcels, Sensitive Area Overlay.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilwoman Thornton to allow the Town of Saugerties to submit an application under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) through NYSERDA for 100% funding for photovoltaic (PV) installation at Town Hall and the Senior Center.

Vote: Adopted – 4 Yes (Councilwoman Campbell absent)

Motion made by Supervisor Helsmoortel, seconded by Councilman Costello to adjourn Town Board Meeting, carried.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETINGS:

August 20, 2009 **Winston Farm Informational Meeting** **6:00 p.m.**

September 2, 2009 **Pre-Board Meeting** **6:30 p.m.**
Town Board Meeting **7:00 p.m.**

Town Clerk