

TOWN OF GOSHEN
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION

January 25, 2016

MINUTES

A work session of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 25th day of January, 2016 at Town Hall located at 41 Webster Avenue, Village of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York.

Present:	Douglas Bloomfield	Supervisor
	Melissa Gallo	Councilmember
	George Lyons	Councilmember
	Kenneth Newbold	Councilmember
	John VanDerMolen	Councilmember

Also Present:	Richard Golden, Esq.	Special Counsel to Town Board
	Priscilla Gersbeck	Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bloomfield at 7:30pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. DISCUSS, APPROVE AND PROCESS REMINGTON RIDGE SUBDIVISION (FORTUNEWAY CONSTRUCTION, LLC) ROAD ACCEPTANCE AND BONDING

Attorney Richard Golden is waiting for the necessary signatures on the road acceptance documents. At the next meeting, a resolution will be presented to accept this road.

2. FEMA HAS AGREED TO OUR APRIL 27, 2015 REQUEST FOR SCOPE CHANGES REGARDING THE COLEMAN ROAD AND DURLAND ROAD CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECTS. FEMA WILL FULLY FUND THE PROJECTS WITH CHANGES. THE PROJECTS WILL HAVE TO BE REBID AND THE WORK MUST BE COMPLETED BY SEPTEMBER 3, 2016.

In May 2015, the apparent low bidder, Raines & Nagler Contracting Services, Inc. agreed to a ninety (90) day extension which expired on or about August 15, 2015. Raines & Nagler recently advised they are unable to perform the work at their bid price. It is recommended to reject all bids received on April 2, 2015 and authorize a rebid.

Councilman Lyons made the motion to authorize Broderick Knoell, Highway Superintendent, to rebid the Coleman Road and Durland Road Culvert projects with a date to be announced. Councilmember Gallo seconded the motion.

Discussion: Councilman Lyons compared the bid range of submitted prices received for the first bid. He asked about the reimbursement process. For this project FEMA estimated (2012) would

cost about \$149,617.21 for Coleman Rd. and \$124,512.03 for Durland Rd. The 2015 approved FEMA estimate is \$194,143.00 for Coleman Rd. and \$168,975.00 for Durland Rd.

On A Voice Vote, motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, Newbold, VanDerMolen
0 NAYS

3. INFORMATION: HON. JUDGE CATHERINE M. BARTLETT, A.J.S.C. GRANTED THE TOWN OF GOSHEN'S SUMMARY JUDGMENT AND ORDERED THE PLAINTIFFS COMPLAINT AGAINST THE TOWN BE DISMISSED REGARDING THE FAITH ET AL v TOWN OF GOSHEN AND COUNTY OF ORANGE LAWSUIT

This lawsuit which began in 2011, involved the damage occurred by flooding on Celery Avenue. The charges against the Town and the County of Orange were dismissed.

4. APPOINT A "HEARING OFFICER" PER GOSHEN TOWN LAW FOR A POLICE DISCIPLINARY CASE.

Attorney Richard Golden suggested Ms. Noreen Calderin to be appointed hearing officer in connection with disciplinary charges. Her credentials are worthy of the appointment. She will hear evidence and then draft a decision based upon the evidence and make a recommendation as to the discipline to this Board and in accordance with the Local Law. The Town Board will make the final determination.

Councilman Kenneth Newbold introduced a resolution to appoint Noreen Calderin as the Hearing Officer in connection with a pending disciplinary matter of the Goshen Police Department. The name of the Police Officer to be discussed further in Executive Session. Seconded by Councilman John VanDerMolen.

Discussion: Councilman Lyons inquired about Noreen Calderin's experience.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson Kenneth Newbold	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, Melissa Gallo	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, John VanDerMolen	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, George Lyons	<u>AYE</u>		

Vote: Motion carried by a vote of 5 to 0.

[The Resolution will be on file in the Clerk's office.

To protect the police officer's rights, the specific name will be redacted when an inquiry is made]

5. NY FARMS SUBDIVISION PROJECT NEAR READY TO BEGIN. MANY HOMES ARE ALREADY PRESOLD.

After the many years of planning this development, preparations to break ground are scheduled for this spring. Once the maps are signed, building will be underway as many of the homes are presold.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilman Lyons made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the following;

1. AL TURI TAX CERTIORARI UPDATE
2. DISCUSS POTENTIAL CONTRACTING OF W/S OPERATIONS
3. P.D. PERSONNEL
4. PERB

with the intent not to return. The motion was seconded by Councilman Newbold . Motion Carried

Time: 7:58PM

Priscilla Gersbeck, Town Clerk