



Reynell Andrews inquired as to what prompted amending Section 29-2? Supervisor Bloomfield answered that among many reasons, the main reason referenced two vehicular fatalities whereas the Police Chief was logistically available to promptly assist the officers. The past Police Chief lived in another county hindering his response time.

(With no further comments)

Councilman Cappella motioned to close the public hearing for Local Law #1 of 2015. Councilman Canterino seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Canterino, Cappella, Newbold  
0 NAYS  
1 ABSENT

The following Local Law No. 1 of 2015 was voted on;

**LOCAL LAW No. 1 OF 2015  
TOWN OF GOSHEN, NEW YORK**

**A LOCAL LAW AMENDING SECTION 29-2 OF THE TOWN CODE  
("POLICE CHIEF RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS")**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Town Board of the Town of Goshen, Orange County, New York as follows:

**SECTION 1. PURPOSE AND FINDING**

The Town Board of the Town of Goshen has determined that it is necessary and desirable to modify a provision of the Town Code that establishes residency requirements for the Police Chief of the Town of Goshen Police Department in order to promote the life, health, welfare, safety and good order of the citizens of the Town. In establishing the residency requirement herein, the Town Board hereby determines that the maximum distance of the Police Chief's residence from the Town of Goshen Police Department headquarters as provided herein will allow and promote the Police Chief's active service to the Town and prompt response to emergency and other police matters within the Town.

**SECTION 2. CHAPTER 29: POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Town Code Section 29-2 is hereby repealed and the following language substituted in its place:

The Police Chief of the Town of Goshen Police Department shall, upon his or her appointment to that position, and at all times during his or her continued

employment in that position, reside at a location within an area of Orange County, New York that is within fifteen (15) driving miles of the Town of Goshen Police Department headquarters, located at 44 Police Drive in the Town of Goshen, New York.

**SECTION 3. SUPERSEDING PROVISION.**

To the extent that any State or local laws fail to provide specific authority for this Local Law or otherwise appear to be in conflict with this Local Law, including, but not limited to, New York Public Officers Law Section 30, then such laws are hereby superseded by this Local Law pursuant to New York Municipal Home Rule Law and the common law.

**SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY.**

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, section or part of this Local Law shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the clause, paragraph, section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered, and the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 5: EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This law shall take effect upon the filing of this Local Law with the New York Secretary of State in the manner provided for in the Municipal Home Rule Law.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield	<u>AYE</u>	Councilman Philip Canterino	<u>AYE</u>
Councilman Louis Cappella	<u>AYE</u>	Councilman Kenneth Newbold	<u>AYE</u>
Councilman George Lyons	<u>ABSENT</u>		

Vote: Resolution carried by a vote of 4 to 0.

**E. OLD BUSINESS:**

None at this time

**F. NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. DISCUSS AND PASS RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT FOR THE RENOVATION PLAN OF THE ORANGE COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER BUILDING AND**

**OBJECTING TO ANY SALE/LEASE OF THE ORANGE COUNTY  
GOVERNMENT CENTER**

Supervisor Bloomfield noted that he has received numerous complaints about the delay in deciding what to do with the Government Center. He stated that "the Orange County citizens deserve a Government Center where everybody is in one place". People come in for maps/directions to the County Clerk's office. The Town is in agreement with the Village and our Legislature to move forward with the renovation plan. Therefore, the following resolution is presented.

**TOWN OF GOSHEN  
RESOLUTION**

**Support for the renovation plan of the Orange County Government Center Building commonly referred to as BB and is Resolution 108 of 2014 of the Orange County Legislature and objecting to any sale/lease of the Orange County Government Center as proposed in Local Law 13 of 2014**

**INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Kenneth Newbold**

**SECONDED BY: Councilman Philip Canterino**

**DATED: February 12, 2015**

At a meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York, held at Town Hall in said Town on the 12th day of February, 2015

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2014, The Orange County Legislature passed Resolution 108 of 2014 which supported the renovation plan of the Orange County Government Center commonly referred to as BB which was bonded by an 18-3 vote, and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Legislature proposed a Local Law 13 of 2014 authorizing the sale/lease of the Orange County Government Center building, and

WHEREAS, upon a thorough investigation of the facts and circumstances herein, The Town Board believes that it is in the best interests of the Town to support the renovation plan of the Orange County Government Center continuing its' use as a government center commonly referred to as BB and is Resolution 108 of 2014; and

WHEREAS, upon a thorough investigation of the facts and circumstances herein, The Town Board believes that it is in the best interests of the Town to object to any sale/lease of the Orange County Government Center building as proposed in a Local Law 13 of 2014, and

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Town of Goshen supports the renovation plan of the Orange County Government Center commonly referred to as BB continuing its' use as a government center and objects to any sale/lease of the Orange County Government Center building as proposed in a Local Law 13 of 2014, and it is further;

RESOLVED that Douglas Bloomfield, Supervisor of the Town of Goshen be and he is hereby authorized to take any and all steps, and sign any and all documents necessary, to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

Supervisor Bloomfield opened up the floor for comments.

**Trustee, Ed Char** speaking on behalf of the Village of Goshen, thanked the Town for supporting the Village on this matter.

**Honorable Shannon Wong**, Legislator 21<sup>st</sup> District, stated she appreciates the Town supporting the County BB Plan passed by the Legislature's Resolution 108 of 2014.

**Michael Rundle** inquired as to what will happen to the two buildings on Matthews Street when the County offices move out. In the past, both buildings were partially filled which enabled the County to move in quickly. He feels that it would be a good idea to get the property occupied by the closed County building back on the tax rolls. If a new County building can be built on the property for less money than what is currently on table then it should be looked at.

**Councilman Cappella** noted that the public *now knows* the Town and Village are working together on this issue. The public is informed on "how we feel and what we stand for".

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, Philip Canterino	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, Louis Cappella	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, Kenneth Newbold	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, George Lyons	<u>ABSENT</u>		

*Vote: Resolution carried by a vote of 4 to 0*

**2. DISCUSS AND APPROVE REQUEST BY THE GOSHEN TOWN JUSTICES TO HIRE DOMENIC DI MARCO AS PART-TIME COURT OFFICER REPLACING TRAVIS HALL**

Councilman Newbold made the motion to hire Domenic DiMarco as part-time Court Attendant at \$19.29 per hour effective February 17, 2015. Councilman Cappella seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Canterino, Cappella, Newbold  
0 NAYS  
1 ABSENT

**G. FINANCE**

Councilman Canterino made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay manual A/P runs as of 02/11/2015 amounting to \$312,876.13 and accounts payable check run for 02/12/2015 amounting to \$141,704.46. Councilman Newbold seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Canterino, Cappella, Newbold  
0 NAYS  
1 ABSENT

**H. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

None at this time

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Councilman Newbold made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the following:

1. Discuss P.D. Personnel Issue

with the intent not to return. The motion was seconded by Councilman Canterino. Motion carried.

Adjournment: 8:00PM

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Priscilla Gersbeck, Deputy Town Clerk