

TOWN OF GOSHEN
PUBLIC HEARING & TOWN BOARD MEETING

APRIL 14, 2016

MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 14th day of April, 2016 at the Town Hall located at 41 Webster Avenue, Village of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York.

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

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| Also Present: | Richard Golden, Esq. | Attorney for the Town |
| | Priscilla Gersbeck | Town Clerk |

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bloomfield at 7:35pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA

Added to Old Business: Update on Dog Park at Salesian

C. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (agenda items only)

D. PUBLIC HEARING

Councilman Newbold made a motion to open the Public Hearing on Water/Sewer informational meeting and Rate Adjustments. Councilman Lyons seconded the motion.

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

Supervisor Bloomfield addressed the public, introducing the "Water/Sewer Team". They are: the present members of the Town Board, Broderick Knoell M.E.-Dept. Head, Joe Klopchin-Water/Sewer Operator, David Doty & David Ortiz-Public Works Maintenance, Barbara Sokolofsky & Christine Cavaliere-Administrative Support, Douglas Bloomfield & Kenneth Newbold-Water/Sewer Co-Commissioners. The 2016 water/sewer informational packet is available in the Town Clerk's office.

Supervisor Bloomfield outlined the 2015 accomplishments for Hambletonian Park and Arcadia Hills sewer/water districts. He also outlined the 2015 accomplishments for Stonehedge and Scotchtown water districts.

In addition, he outlined the 2016 planned actions and capital projects for each of the districts. A summary of the 2016 planned actions are as follows:

Hambletonian Park Sewer District:

(1) Line patching and/or replacement of sewer lines reducing inflow/infiltration at a cost of \$60,000.

Arcadia Hills Sewer District:

(1) Line patching and/or replacement of sewer lines reducing inflow/infiltration at a cost of \$60,000.
(2) Replace section of force main at an estimated cost \$40,000.

Hambletonian Park Water District:

(1) Replace 2 water main valves at a cost of \$10,000
(2) Prepare plans for second water tank-cost TBD

Arcadia Hills Water District:

(1) Repair and coat inside and outside of the water storage tank at a cost of \$400,000 (applied for \$240,000 grant)
(2) Rehabilitate two wells to increase flow/production at a cost of \$30,000.

Stonehedge Water District:

(1) Save for tank rehabilitation or replacement (2 years) – cost TBD

Scotchtown Water District:

No Items

As a result of what has been addressed above, the total expenditure planned for capital projects in 2016 amounts to \$600,000.

To conclude, the following is a table showing the water/sewer rate changes.

| | Actual <u>2013</u> | Actual <u>2014</u> | Proposed <u>2015</u> | Proposed <u>2016</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Ham. Park Sewer | -9% | no change | no change | no change |
| Ham. Park Water | -5% | no change | no change | no change |
| Arcadia Hills Sewer | -10% | -2.5% | no change | +5% |
| Arcadia Hills Water | -10% | -5% | no change | +5% |
| Stonehedge Water | -10% | -10% | no change | +5% |
| Scotchtown Water | -10% | -10% | no change | -5% |

Supervisor Bloomfield called for comments from the public. -0-

Councilman Newbold made the motion to close the Public Hearing on Water/Sewer informational meeting and accept the rate adjustments as presented in the packet. Councilwoman Gallo seconded the motion.

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

E. NEW BUSINESS:

- REVIEW PROPOSED LOCAL LAW 3 OF 2016 AMENDING SECTION 89-19 OF THE TOWN CODE (“DESIGNATION OF WEIGHT LIMITS ON TOWN ROADS”) TO REMOVE THE WEIGHT LIMIT ON HARTLEY ROAD AND SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE**

To prevent unnecessary damage to Hartley Road a 5-ton weight limit was enacted years ago. Presently, the road is used for a growing number of businesses, commercial and industrial vehicles routinely used for local deliveries that are in excess of five tons. It has been determined that it is necessary and desirable to remove the 5-ton weight limit on Hartley Road.

Councilwoman Gallo made the motion to set a public hearing on Local Law #3 of 2016, (Amending Section 89-19) in the Town Hall, at 41 Webster Avenue at 7:30pm or soon thereafter, on April 28, 2016. Councilman VanDerMolen seconded the motion.

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

2. DISCUSS AND APPROVE MOTION TO APPOINT THE TOWN OF GOSHEN BOARD AS SEQRA LEAD AGENCY WITH A SHORT FORM NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Hartley Road has wider lanes, as compared to the other weight-restricted roads and the configuration of the road allows for the safe travel of commercial and other traffic. The removal of the 5-ton weight restriction does not present any risk to public safety, because the road is presently used for local deliveries exceeding 5-tons. Similarly removing the weight limit will not adversely impact the environment.

Councilman Newbold made the motion to appoint the Town of Goshen Board as SEQRA lead agency with a short form negative declaration with respect to Local Law #3. Councilman Lyons seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Councilman Lyons initiated the completion of the Short Environmental Assessment Form, under SEQRA, Part 1 – Project Information. The Supervisor was authorized to sign a Negative Declaration.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

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

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

3. DISCUSS AND APPROVE REQUEST TO HOLD THE 2016 HAMBLETONIAN MARATHON & GOOD TIME TROTTERS RELAY ON OCTOBER 2, 2016.

A letter of request was received from Robert Dickover Esq., Associate Race Director. The 2016 Hambletonian Marathon is scheduled for October 2, 2016. This year a half marathon distance is added to the event. The race will begin and end at the Historic Track. A portion of the 26.2 mile course will traverse town roads. A formal request is for permission to traverse on town roads. The necessary insurance coverage and Hold Harmless Agreement is included.

Councilman VanDerMolen made the motion to approve the aforesaid request submitted by Robert Dickover, Esq. Associate Race Director. Councilman Lyons seconded the motion.

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

F. OLD BUSINESS:

**1. DISCUSS AND PASS RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LOCAL LAW #2 OF 2016,
AMENDING CHAPTER 97 ("ZONING") OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF GOSHEN
TO INCLUDE AN ADDITIONAL CEMETERY**

A reply was received from the Orange County Department of Planning. The proposed Local Law #2 was reviewed and in accordance with Section 239, paragraphs 1 and m of the General Municipal Law, found no evidence that significant impacts would result from its approval.

Councilman Newbold made the motion to accept Local Law #2 of 2016. Councilman Lyons seconded the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

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

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

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilwoman Gallo made the motion to approve the work session minutes of 03-07-2016 & 03-21-2016 and regular meeting minutes of 03-10-2016 & 03-24-2016. Councilman VanDerMolen seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, Newbold, VanDerMolen
0 NAYS
1 ABSTAIN – 3/24/2016 Newbold

3. UPDATE ON DOG PARK IN SALESIAN PARK

Kelly Fellenzer presented the Board with three "Dog Park" site plans showing minor changes to the gates and fencing height, also detailing the various agility stations and proposed entrance signs. Kelly designed a dog park to achieve her Gold Award in girl scouts. [*The Gold Award is one of the highest achievements in scouting that requires several steps to follow beginning with "choose an issue" through "present a plan and get feedback" ending with "educate and inspire".*] Her presentation for tonight is to present plan options and receive feedback.

The Board members reviewed and discussed her site plans. The plan with the 5 foot fence was preferred. Discussion followed as to naming the dog park on the entrance sign. It was suggested to place contributors names on places such as benches. Many people have contributed to this project and it isn't fair to single out one person over another. It was recommended to work with the JRC to name the dog park.

G. FINANCE

Councilman Newbold made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Accounts Payable check run for April 14, 2016 amounting to \$212,691.56. Councilman Lyons seconded the motion.

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

H. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Councilwoman Gallo reported that opening day for the Goshen Little League will be held on Saturday, April 16th at 10:45am at the Myron Urbanski Memorial Park.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

1. Personnel Case – DPW
2. Legal Action – Tetz vs Town of Goshen

with the intent not to return. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Gallo. Motion carried.

J. ADJOURNMENT: 8:45PM

Priscilla Gersbeck, Town Clerk