

TOWN OF GOSHEN
TOWN BOARD MEETING
May 13, 2010
MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 13th day of May, 2010 at 7:30pm at Town Hall located at 41 Webster Avenue, Village of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York.

Present:	Douglas Bloomfield	Supervisor
	Philip Canterino	Councilman
	Louis Cappella	Councilman
	George Lyons	Councilman
	Kenneth Newbold	Councilman

Also Present:	Dennis Caplicki	Attorney for the Town
	Priscilla Gersbeck	Deputy Town Clerk

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bloomfield at 7:37 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA

C. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (agenda items only)

D. OLD BUSINESS;

1. Time Warner Franchise Contract Renewal

Councilman Lyons stated that we are waiting for the Attorney representing Time Warner to contact Attorney Caplicki regarding the contract renewal.

2. N.Y. State Environmental Facilities Corporation Reports They Do Not Have Federal Stimulus Funding Available For Our Sewer Projects

Supervisor Bloomfield received communication from Mr. Nelson, Project Engineer assigned to the Town's wastewater projects, namely Hambletonian Park Sewer District and Arcadia Hills Sewer District. Due to his scoring of these two projects and the volume of projects vying for stimulus money, Mr. Nelson feels that we are below the funding subsidy line.

Supervisor Bloomfield and Councilman Newbold will continue to work with Congressman Hall's office to receive stimulus money for our projects.

3. Town/Village Sewer Negotiations Continue And Town Is Developing A Response To A Village Proposal

Supervisor Bloomfield stated that the Town and Village sewer negotiations are in progress. Currently the Town is developing a response to a Village proposal.

E. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Authorize The JRC To Request An Extension From The County For Completion Of The Bathrooms At Salesian Park.

Councilman Lyons reported that the bathrooms at Salesian Park are not going to be completed by June 1, 2010. The grant from the County needs to be extended for the completion. A goal date for completion is around September 1, 2010.

Councilman Lyons made the motion to authorize the JRC to request an extension from the County for the completion of the bathrooms at Salesian Park. Councilman Canterino seconded the motion.

Discussion: Councilman Cappella asked if the trenching has been done and what else? Councilman Lyons said the plans are designed. Also that Ted Lewis (Village Building Inspector) has assured the JRC that all of the necessary permits are in order.

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

F. FINANCE

Councilman Canterino made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Accounts Payable check run for May 12, 2010 amounting to \$97,130.96. Councilman Cappella seconded the motion.

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

G. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Councilman Newbold referenced a note from Neal Halloran announcing that on May 23, 1:00-4:00PM, NYS DEC is sponsoring "Trees for Tribes". Plants will be provided by the DEC. The goal of the planting is to stabilize the stream bank and shade the water to reduce the thermal impact to the stream and aquatic life within it. Those wishing to participate are to meet at Knoell Farm located on Knoell Road. The location is on PDR-Open Space lands of the Town of Goshen. Everyone is welcome to join in for this worthy cause.

Susan Bloom inquired if someone on the Town Board would be willing to contact the Village about consolidating some of the services. She feels that with the way our economy is going, it would be a wise move to save some money and to ease the financial burden of the residents. Mrs. Bloom stated that she spoke to the Village Mayor and he seemed open to her idea.

Supervisor Bloomfield responded that currently the Town is working with the Village on the sewer issue. However, the Town will send a letter to the Village to address possible areas of consolidation.

Mrs. Bloom also inquired if the Town has a separate line for capital improvement fund? Response: Yes, within each department – highway, police etc.

With a few more questions answered, Mrs. Bloom commended the Board Members for “doing a good job” in handling the needs of the people.

Jerry Boss commented on a Town backhoe driver holding up traffic on Craigville Road during the morning rush hour. Perhaps another time of day is more appropriate for moving highway equipment on busy roads.

H. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

1. PD/Personnel
2. Tax Certiorari – Status Update
3. Town/Village Sewer Negotiation

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

I. ADJOURNMENT

The public meeting concluded at 7:59PM

Priscilla Gersbeck, Deputy Town Clerk