

TOWN OF GOSHEN
TOWN BOARD MEETING

January 13, 2011
M I N U T E S

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 13th day of January, 2011 at the 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
	Kenneth Newbold	Councilman
Absent:	George Lyons	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 7:30 pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Supervisor Bloomfield called for a moment of silence for Councilman Newbold's brother, Raymond, who recently passed away at the age of 61.

B. AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA

None at this time

C. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (agenda items only)

None at this time.

D. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discuss and Approve Resolution to Extend Exempted Development Applications per "Sunset Provision" of Section 5 of Local Law 4 of 2009

Discussed at Monday's Work Session were five subdivisions which were exempt through conditional final approval in Local Law #4 of 2009. The Sunset Provision states that 18 months after the adoption of Local Law #4 of 2009 any and all exemptions would expire unless extended. The following Resolution grants the five subdivisions an extension until July 27, 2011.

3. Discuss and Approve a New Franchise Contract with Time Warner Cable

Supervisor Bloomfield stated that they are ready to renew the Time Warner franchise contract. Councilman Cappella made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the franchise renewal contract with Time Warner Cable. The motion was seconded by Councilman Newbold.

Discussion: The Town’s share of the rate structure will be 5%. In the past 3% went into maintenance and 2% went into a Construction fund for new customers. With the \$370,000 balance in the Construction fund, \$120,000 retained by Time Warner for extension purposes and the \$250,000 will be split – 60% to the Town of Goshen and 40% returned to Time Warner.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield	Aye	Councilperson, Philip Canterino	Aye
Councilperson, Louis Cappella	Aye	Councilperson, Kenneth Newbold	Aye
Councilperson, George Lyons	Absent		

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

E. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discuss and Approve Appointment of Giovanni Pirraglia to the Goshen Town Planning Board effective February 1, 2011 to December 31, 2012

Giovanni Pirraglia was offered to fulfill a position of the Planning Board vacated by Raymond Myruski. Mr. Pirraglia holds a degree in Electrical Engineering and works for the Federal Aviation Administration as a Technical operations Manager. He served on the Board of Assessment Review as its Chairman last year.

Councilman Canterino made the motion to appoint Giovanni Pirraglia to the Town of Goshen Planning Board effective February 1, 2011 to December 31, 2012. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cappella.

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

F. FINANCE:

Councilman Canterino made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Manual A/P runs as of 12/15/10 – 01/06/11 amounting to \$15,656.35, Accounts Payable Check Run of December 16, 2010 amounting to \$74,847.96 and December 29, 2010 amounting to \$47, 635.28. The motion was seconded by Councilman Cappella.

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

G. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Councilman Canterino made an announcement for the Police Chief Dennis Marsh. Letters will be sent out to residents with home alarm systems (with a copy of the Town Code) to register their alarms with the Town Clerk with a \$50.00 fee. Fines will also be levied for false alarms.

Councilman Canterino relayed that the Police Chief received a letter from Ed Johnson, who's Mother lives in the Town. He commended the Police Dept. for being vigilant in apprehending a person stealing copper from an unoccupied home on Maple Avenue.

Joel Markowitz inquired if the Town Board will use a magnetometer for those attending meetings? Recently the Village installed a magnetometer for use at their meetings. Supervisor Bloomfield said that even though the Town employees are vulnerable based on what we do, there will be no change. The meetings will be conducted as they have always been.

Councilman Newbold stated that the Highway Department has done a "spectacular" job of clearing the roads during the past two snow storms. Councilman Cappella agreed, saying the Highway Dept. does a great job and is well appreciated.

H. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

1. Discuss Heritage Estates Water & Sewer Contract Development
2. CSEA Request For Grievance Arbitration
3. Tax Certiorari Review

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

ADJOURNMENT: 7:59PM

Priscilla Gersbeck, Deputy Town Clerk

