

TOWN OF GOSHEN
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
February 23, 2015
MINUTES

A work session of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 23th day of February, 2015 at Town Hall located at 41 Webster Avenue, Village of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York.

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

Absent: Philip Canterino Councilman

Also Present: John Swift Special Counsel to Town Board
Robert Rametta Special Counsel – Tax Certiorari/Claims
Priscilla Gersbeck Deputy Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bloomfield at 7:38pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. DORIS RUBINSKY, JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES, TO TALK TO THE BOARD ABOUT THE FRIENDLY VOLUNTEER VISITOR PROGRAM

Representing the Jewish Family Service Organization, Doris Rubinsky, distributed pamphlets to the Board. She addressed the Board explaining the mission of the JFS. The Friendly Visitors Program is recruiting volunteers in each municipality to assist older adults and those with disabilities living alone. This program coordinates with community resources to help the individual live independently. Some of the services are: rides to medical appointments, assistance in grocery shopping, respite for care givers, a phone call, a friendly visit etc. She noted that there are 27 people with a Goshen address requesting their service. However, only 12-15 people are provided for, with the others on a waiting list. Supervisor Bloomfield explained that the Town supports the Senior Center and Dial-A-Bus. He feels the Friendly Volunteer Program would best be served by coordinating with the Senior Center. The Jewish Family Service is setting up a training session for volunteers on March 3 at the Goshen Senior Center.

2. DISCUSS AND APPROVE MOTION TO AUTHORIZE BRODERICK KNOELL, SUPERINTENDENT OF DPW, TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS TO REPLACE THE COLEMAN AND DURLAND CULVERTS. MONIES SPENT FOR THESE PROJECTS WILL BE REIMBURSED BY FEMA

The culverts on Coleman and Durland road sustained damage from Hurricane Irene. NYS Dept. of Homeland Security and Emergency services have given a time extension through September 3, 2015 for all NYS projects as a result of Hurricane Irene disaster. It is estimated that advertising and bid opening

will occur in March and April to allow construction to commence this summer. FEMA funding is on a reimbursement basis.

Councilman Cappella made the motion to authorize Broderick Knoell, Superintendent of DPW, to advertise for bids to replace the Coleman and Durland culverts. Councilman Lyons seconded the motion.

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

3. DISCUSS AND APPROVE RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR REHABILITATION OF THE TOWN HALL CUPOLA

The cupola is located on the southerly side of the Town Hall. Above the roof is a masonry and wood tower as the base for the cupola. The cupola is made of wood with slate roof tiles which has deteriorated with age and weathering. The Town has been awarded a \$50,000 grant from the State & Municipal Facilities Capital Program for this rehabilitation. As with other projects the balance of the financing will be addressed once bid costs are known and prior to contract award.

Councilman Newbold made the motion to authorize the Town Supervisor to advertise for bids for rehabilitation of the Town Hall cupola. Councilman Lyons seconded the motion.

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

4. DISCUSS AND APPROVE REQUEST BY THE GOSHEN ROTARY CLUB TO HOLD ANNUAL 5K AND 10K ROAD RACE AS PART OF THE GREAT AMERICAN WEEKEND, THE RACES WILL BEGIN AT 8:00AM AND WILL CONCLUDE AT 10:30AM.

Councilman Lyons would like to review the insurance coverage document. That document is unavailable at this time and will be addressed at a later date.

5. DISCUSS AND PASS MOTION TO AUTHORIZE BRODERICK KNOELL, SUPERINTENDENT OF DPW, TO APPLY FOR A "SEARS" CREDIT CARD

Many of the hand tools used in the DPW shop are Sears Craftsman and only the batteries from Sears Craftsman fit these tools. The credit card will be used to replace/purchase needed tools. The credit line requested is \$1,000. Years ago, the DPW had a Sears Craftsman credit card which has expired.

Councilman Cappella made the motion to authorize Broderick Knoell to apply for a Sears Credit card. Councilman Newbold seconded the motion.

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

6. DISCUSS AND APPROVE RESOLUTION TO CONTRIBUTE \$6,068.33 TO THE COST OF A RECENTLY DELIVERED NEW DIAL-A-BUS VEHICLE. THE MONEY WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE 2015 BUDGET.

Attorney John Swift summarized the following resolution.

**TOWN OF GOSHEN
RESOLUTION**

Authorizing Town of Goshen Dial-A-Bus Lease and the payment of \$6,068.33 Ten (10%) percent Municipal Share for a 2015 Ford Model E450 vehicle with VIN# FDFE4FS2FDA06889

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Louis Cappella

SECONDED BY: Councilman Kenneth Newbold

DATED: February 23, 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 23rd day of February, 2015

WHEREAS, the Town of Goshen has received a Third Party Lease and Service Agreement for Capital Equipment (2015 Ford Model E450 vehicle) from the County of Orange concerning the Town of Goshen Dial-A-Bus program, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Goshen is obligated under the terms of the lease to pay the sum of \$6,068.33 as its' Ten (10%) per cent municipal share for the leasing of said vehicle,

NOW, BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Town of Goshen does hereby approve the Third Party Lease and Service Agreement for Capital Equipment and does further approve the payment of \$6,068.33 as its' Ten (10%) percent municipal share and that Douglas Bloomfield, Supervisor of the Town of Goshen be and is authorized to take any and all steps, and sign any and all documents necessary to effectuate the terms of this resolution.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

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

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

7. INFORMATION: A FINAL HERITAGE DOCUMENT CHECKLIST HAS BEEN COMPILED AND THE SUPERVISOR HAS SIGNED THE "DECLARATION OF OPEN SPACE CONSERVATION EASEMENT" AS AUTHORIZED IN A TOWN OF GOSHEN RESOLUTION DATED JUNE 14, 2012.

As stated, for information only.

8. INFORMATION: OFFICE OF THE STATE COMPTROLLER ACKNOWLEDGES THE RECEIPT OF THE TOWN CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN REFERENCING POLICE PAYROLL AUDIT.

As stated, for information only.

9. INFORMATION: VILLAGE MAYOR AND TOWN SUPERVISOR MET TO DISCUSS "ORGANIZATIONS" WORKING TOGETHER TO DEVELOP POSSIBLE COST REDUCTIONS.

In a meeting with the Village Mayor, Kyle Roddey, cost reduction ways were discussed for the Village and the Town to work together. One of the items pertain to a building on the Salesian property.

10. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilman Newbold made the motion to accept the minutes of the combined work session & Town Board meeting of December 22, 2014, and work sessions of December 8, 2014 - January 20, 2015 and re-organization meeting of January 5, 2015 and regular meetings of December 11, 2014, January 8, 2015 and January 22, 2015. Councilman Lyons seconded the motion.

Discussion: Councilman Lyons made a few corrections - noted by the Clerk.

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

Supervisor Bloomfield added items for discussion.

11. Councilman Lyons discussed a waiver for Time-Warner Cable in an area near the Village of Florida in the Town of Goshen. Time-Warner Cable finds that particular area will not be viable for them to provide cable. If Cable Vision is still interested we will grant them the waiver for that location. We are waiting for a formal contact with Cable Vision. Also, there is still a question of money owed to us from the "old franchise" construction fund. We are waiting for further contact.

12. Supervisor Bloomfield informed the Board that the project "Aurora Innovations" has been put on hold. According to an early morning phone conversation; there seems to be a series of environmental issues and a disagreement between the seller and buyer. Consequently, the IDA meeting for 2/25/2015 has been cancelled.

Councilman Newbold announced there will be a Legislator meeting on March 5th – 3:30pm- at the Wells Farm location. This will pertain to discussion/vote about renovating the closed County Building.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

1. Julian's 4 LTD Certiorari – Status Update
2. P. D. Personnel Case – Status Update
3. MTBE Litigation – Status Update
4. Salesian School Building Discussion
5. Emergency vs Requirement to Bid for Snow Plowing

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

ADJOURNMENT: 8:35PM

Priscilla Gersbeck, Deputy Town Clerk