

TOWN OF GOSHEN
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
AUGUST 22, 2016
MINUTES

A work session of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 22nd day of August, 2016 at the Town Hall located at 41 Webster Avenue, Village of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York.

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

Absent:	Kenneth Newbold	Councilmember
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Also Present:	Richard Golden, Esq.	Attorney for the Town
	Priscilla Gersbeck	Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bloomfield at 7:30pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. HEAR REVIEW OF AMY'S KITCHEN FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Larry Wolinsky Esq. of Jacobowitz and Gubits LLP summarized Amy's Final Environmental Impact Statement, (FEIS) which was prepared and submitted to the Planning Board on Thursday evening. There are three components in the FEIS: (1) project review and minor revisions per public/agency comments (2) environmental impacts of the minor revisions (3) responses to comments received at the public hearing and during the written public comment period. The vast majority are from the Planning Board, DEC, U.S. Fishing & Wildlife, Dept. of Transportation etc. As a result of the submitted changes to the FEIS a revised site plan will be reviewed by the Town Engineer.

Next: work closely with the town's consultants to approve every aspect of the FEIS. This document will serve as the basis of decision making and closing out the SEQRA process by the end of September or the early part of October. Ending the SEQRA process allows for receipt of all the permits and approvals from the Town and various other agencies. A couple of areas to complete SEQRA involve coming back to the Town Board about: (1) the transmission line of water/sewer along the Heritage Trail to the city of Middletown. Therefore an "Outside User Agreement" is required by the City of Middletown with the Town of Goshen as a partner and (2) forming a "Transportation Corporation" to allow other entities, besides Amy's, to receive water/sewer service along the same lines. Currently, the entities include Science of the Soul and the warehouse on the VerHage property. Part of this will require a water withdrawal permit from the DEC extending the City of Middletown service area into the Town of Goshen. "This is not an issue. There is more than enough water to serve the Amy's project" stated Mr. Wolinsky. Other items to be noted from the Environmental Impact Statement are: (1) this project will not encroach on the DEC wetlands, (2) four sensitive archaeological sites (5-6 acres) have been approved by the state to be removed by professionals, (3) Amy's will be responsible for constructing/maintaining the access road which will be owned by the Town of Goshen, (4) to ease the flow of traffic a signal light is planned, turning lanes, exit/entrance lanes, with some widening, (5) about 270+ acres will be preserved under a Conservation Easement. The agricultural lands of the Strong Farm will be maintained as a farm and lands will be set aside for the habitat of the Indiana Bat and the Northern Long Ear Bat.

Councilman Lyons ended the discussion with a few questions pertaining to water/sewer and road upgrades.

2. DISCUSS AND APPROVE REQUEST BY CHIEF MCDOWELL TO HIRE RENE CARDONA, A RETIRED NYS POLICE SENIOR INVESTIGATOR, AS A PART-TIME OFFICER

Councilman VanDerMolen made the motion to hire Rene Cardona as a part-time police officer effective immediately at the same rate of pay (\$27.25 per hr.) as per contract. Councilman Lyons seconded the motion.

On A Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, VanDerMolen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT Newbold

3. REVIEW REQUEST BY MIKE WILSON TO ENFORCE "NO PARKING" ON CARA COURT ON SCHOOL DAYS FROM 8:00AM TO 2:00PM. STUDENTS ARE CURRENTLY PARKING ON CARA COURT AND DUMPING TRASH TO INCLUDE CIGARETTE BUTTS IN THE AREA

Councilman VanDerMolen will contact the Police Chief/neighbors and BOCES and report back to the Board to determine what to do.

4. DISCUSS AND ACCEPT THE RESIGNATION OF ELLEN TEATUM AS COORDINATOR OF THE GOSHEN SENIOR CENTER

Councilwoman Gallo made the motion to accept the resignation of Ellen Teatum as Coordinator of the Goshen Senior Center effective September 1, 2016. Councilman VanDerMolen seconded the motion.

On A Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, VanDerMolen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT Newbold

5. INFORMATION: TOWN OF GOSHEN RECEIVED A NOTICE OF CLAIM REGARDING ORANGE COUNTY GOSPEL FELLOWSHIP CHURCH REGARDING A PROJECT APPLICATION TO BUILD A PLACE OF WORSHIP ON OLD CHESTER RD. /DUCK CEDAR ROAD

As stated, for information only.

6. INFORMATION: FINAL AGREEMENT REGARDING TURI LANDFILL CERTIORARI SETTLEMENT HAS BEEN SIGNED BY INVOLVED PARTIES

As stated, for information only.

7. INFORMATION: PLANNING BOARD SCHEDULING EXTRA MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24th, DUE TO HEAVY WORKLOAD (QUICKWAY IMPORTS, INC. – RVH MULCH SUPPLY, LLC, – ROLLING RIDGE SUBDIVISION, AND TODRABH PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, INC.

As stated, for information only.

8. INFORMATION: HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT DECISION TO USE ORZECK ROAD EARMARK FOR COUNTY ROAD IN TOWN OF GOSHEN. REASON; HIGH COST OF ENGINEERING, MATCHING FUNDS, CURRENT YEAR WORKLOAD AND SHORT TIME TO COMPLETE THE WORK

Councilwoman Gallo made the motion to reallocate the money earmarked for road improvements back to Orange County Dept. of public Works. Councilman Lyons seconded the motion.

On A Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, VanDerMolen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT Newbold

9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Lyons made the motion to accept the minutes of work sessions of 7/25/2016 and 8/8/2016 and regular meeting minutes of 7/28/2016. Councilman VanDerMolen seconded the motion.

On A Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, VanDerMolen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT Newbold

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilwoman Gallo made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the following:

1. CSEA Negotiations Update

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

ADJOURNMENT: 8:20pm

Priscilla Gersbeck, Town Clerk