

TOWN OF GOSHEN
TOWN BOARD MEETING
October 20, 2014

MINUTES

A Work Session of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 20th day of October, 2014 at Town Hall located at 41 Webster Avenue, Goshen, New York.

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

Absent:	George Lyons	Councilman
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Also Present:	Dennis Caplicki	Town Attorney
	Valma Eisma	Town Clerk

Supervisor Bloomfield called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. INFORMATION: Supervisor Bloomfield referred to a letter from a concerned resident wanting the speed limit on Pulaski Highway reduced from 45 mph to 35 mph. She stated there was recently an accident in front of her property, and she listed a number of reasons why the speed limit should be lowered, one of which was speed.

Supervisor Bloomfield said the road was originally 35 mph, increased later to 45 mph following a NYS DOT official investigatory study. He explained he was waiting to hear from the Chief of Police as to the cause of the accident, if speed was involved. Supervisor Bloomfield read a letter he sent to the resident explaining the history of the speed limit, and assured her he would keep her informed as to any action the Board would be taking.

2. INFORMATION: Supervisor Bloomfield informed the Board that flushing of all Town Water Districts will occur the week of 10/27. The work will be completed within the week, unless a problem should arise.

3. REVIEW LETTER FROM THE TOWN TO SCHOOL BUS COMPANIES: Supervisor Bloomfield said a concerned citizen contacted him as to the trucks and empty school buses that are illegally using Gate School House Road, which has a 5 ton road restriction. After discussing the problem, the Board decided the Police should patrol the road, and warn or ticket those over the weight limit if they are not delivering to any resident on the road. Supervisor Bloomfield will write the three bus companies, known to be using the road as a short cut to Rt. 17M, advising them not to do so in the future.

4. REVIEW ADDITIONS TO GOSHEN TOWN POLICE POLICY MANUAL: Supervisor Bloomfield called the Board's attention to the Town of Goshen Police Department packet "Social Media" in their files. He explained that this is a policy Police Chief James McDowell has established to provide guidance on its management, administration and oversight of Social media. This policy defines the use of Blogs, Page, Post, Profile, Social Media and Network, etc. (on file in Clerk's Office).

Supervisor Bloomfield said the policy is being reviewed by the Town Attorney, and will be given to Attorney Rick Golden, to see if this violates anything in the PBA contract. He said when he receives the input from the attorneys, and the Board, he will report back, and if all are in agreement, authorize the Chief to add it to his policy manual.

5. DISCUSS PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CARTER/HAULING LICENSES: Supervisor Bloomfield presented a updated version of Chapter 80-B in our code. He said it was reviewed by the Deputy Town Clerk in an attempt to clarify it for the applicant. In doing so Ms. Gersbeck also completed the Article VII. Fees, § 80B-19.1 previously marked Reserved:

§ 80B 19.1	First Offense	Warning
§ 80B-19.2	Second Offense	\$ 250 FINE
§ 80B-19.3	Third Offense	\$ 500 FINE
§ 80B-19.4 (Reserved)		
§ 80B-19.5 Establishment of Fees		

Supervisor Bloomfield said there are other areas in the Code that are being reviewed, and when it is all finished this will be added to the other changes so that all changes can be done at one time.

6. DISCUSS STATUS OF REQUEST TO TOWN OF CHESTER FOR ANY DESIRED CHANGES TO DIAL- A – BUS SERVICES IN 2015.: Supervisor Bloomfield called the Board's attention to a letter in their file that Highway Superintendent Broderick Knoell sent to Chester Supervisor Alexander Jamieson. Supervisor Bloomfield read the letter to the Board. In the letter he asked the Supervisor what his intentions are on behalf of the Town of Chester, in relation to the Dial-A- Bus service, and if he still intends on utilizing the bus service? There has been no formal response at this point.

After a brief discussion Councilman Cappella stated "as far as Goshen, we are still going ahead strong with our Dial- A- Bus" all agreed.

Supervisor Bloomfield reported that he had a citizen call on another item not related to the Dial-A - Bus, but said he would like to end his call by saying that Michelle, who schedules the bus, is "an absolute saint" She handles everything pleasantly and efficiently. He stated "She is a beautiful person". The Supervisor and the Board all agreed.

Adjournment: Councilman Canterino made a Motion to adjourn the meeting, go into Executive Session, with intent not to return, to discuss:

1. Creating W/S Districts

2. ADC Maplewood Developers Agreement
3. Tax Certiorari Refund Protocols
4. Town of Goshen Code Sewer Violations Status

The Motion was seconded by Councilman Cappella. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Time: 7:55 p.m.

Valma Eisma Town Clerk