

TOWN OF GOSHEN
THE TOWN BOARD COMBINED WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING

November 19, 2018

MINUTES

A combined meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 19th day of November, 2018 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
	Kenneth Newbold	Councilmember
	John VanDerMolen	Councilmember

Also Present:	Ashley Torre Esq.	Attorney
	Priscilla Gersbeck	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.

B. AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA

Item #2 under New Business is not ready for review.

C. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (agenda items only)

D. REPORTS:

Councilperson Gallo: Reporting for JRC, at the meeting a family voiced interest in building a skate board park. LED lights were replaced at Craigville Park. The basketball hoops were raised at Erie Street Park to encourage more leagues to play there. Currently quotes are coming in to repair the fence at Salesian Park as well as quotes for mowing. The Halloween party was cancelled due to weather issues. The trip to Radio City for the Christmas show is sold out. Weather permitting, they will be going to Arcadia Hills to look at a location for a "pocket park".

Councilperson Lyons: The Highway Dept. spent a lot of time this month making sure that drainage was flowing properly. The combination of leaves and a high volume of water cause catch basins and culvert pipes to get clogged. Repairs to road shoulders and ditches were performed on Arcadia, Gate Schoolhouse, and Broadlea Roads. Asphalt patching was done on Hartley Road. Brush/leaf removal will continue in the developments. Approximately 30 miles of roadway were striped. The first snow storm of the season was the worst we have had. This was the first storm that the crew went all night without anything more than a short break. Our Highway Dept. corrected the drainage on the Town Hall parking lot to prepare for the blacktopping.

Councilperson Van Der Molen: Reporting for the Senior Center, the bus trip to the Sands Casino on Nov. 7 was successful. A Palacio Holiday Party will be held on Monday, December 3rd at 11:30am. A Senior Club Holiday Party is planned for December 12th at Villa-Venezia. On November 15th, before the snow storm, 65 people attended the Thanksgiving luncheon which was catered by Catherine's Restaurant.

Councilperson Newbold: The (sewer) pump station in Arcadia Hills off of Gumwood Dr. was repaired during a recent rain storm. Complimented our Highway Dept. employees for their assistance with the Town Hall parking lot. Thank goodness the paving has been completed. Future plans are to stripe the lot when weather permits.

Supervisor Bloomfield thanked Councilperson Newbold who is in charge of this building maintenance for overseeing the completion of the parking lot paving grant project. The company was waiting since the end of July when it wasn't raining to pave. It was a team effort. On another note, the Town received a check for installation of

LED lights in the Police Dept. and another one is on the way for installing LED lights in the Highway Dept. The government pays a portion of this, adding longevity to the lighting system and to decrease the power bill.

E. NEW BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSS AND PASS RESOLUTION APPOINTING ALAN ESKEW AS THE DESIGNATED ASSESSOR UNDER NYS RPTL §1537. MR. ESKEW IS AN ORANGE COUNTY EMPLOYEE.

The Town Agreement with the County of Orange is to provide assessment services to the Town of Goshen and to sign all reports on behalf of the Town of Goshen to the New York State Office of Real Property Services (NYSORPS) as of November 19, 2018.

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to authorize Alan Eskew as the Designated Assessor under New York State RPTL§ 1537 effective November 19, 2018. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, Kenneth Newbold	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, George Lyons	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, John Van Der Molen	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, Melissa Gallo	<u>AYE</u>		

Vote: Motion carried by a vote of 5 to 0.

2. REVIEW AND APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE AND ADOPTION OF THE MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE FOR ORANGE COUNTY, NY.

This item is not ready for review.

3. REVIEW AND DISCUSS A PROJECT PROPOSAL BY COMMUNITY ENERGY SOLAR TO BUILD A 2MW FACILITY, GLENMERE LAKE SOLAR, LLC, AT 1199-1249 PULASKI HIGHWAY OWNED BY DYKSHOORN DIRT, LLC.

Joel Thomas representing Community Energy Solar addressed the Board with a brief description of the proposed Glenmere Lake Solar, LLC project. They are proposing to build a 2MW-AC Community Solar Farm on 20 acres of a 129 acre parcel located at 1199-1249 Pulaski Hwy. in the Town of Goshen. The 8,000 photovoltaic panels will be installed on a low-profile racking system with no concrete footers. To deliver power to residential electric customers, Glenmere Lake Solar LLC proposes to interconnect into an existing 13.2 kV distribution line operated by Orange & Rockland Utility.

Mr. Dykshoorn explained the financial benefit in leasing to Glenmere Lake Solar, LLC, that will help pay the taxes and insurance to continue farming.

There will be a joint Public Hearing between the Town Board and the Planning Board on Glenmere Lake Solar, LLC.

Councilperson Gallo made the motion to appoint the Town of Goshen Planning Board as lead agency for the SEQRA review of Glenmere Lake Solar, LLC project. Councilperson Van Der Molen seconded the motion.

On A Voice Vote, the motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS

4. AUTHORIZE THE BUDGET OFFICER TO HIRE NUGENT & HAEUSSLER, P.C. TO CONDUCT AN ANNUAL INTERNAL AUDIT OF THE TOWN OF GOSHEN JUSTICE COURT.

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to authorize the Budget Officer to hire Nugent & Haeussler, P.C. to conduct an annual internal audit of the Town of Goshen Justice Court pursuant to the Uniform Justice Court Act 2019 – a. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

On A Voice Vote, the motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS

F. OLD BUSINESS:

1. THE BERLINERS HAVE REQUESTED THE ROAD LEADING INTO AMY’S KITCHEN AND SCIENCE OF THE SOUL BE CHANGED TO “RIVER ROAD” VERSUS “RIVER LANE”.

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to change the name of the road leading into Amy's Kitchen and Science of the Soul be changed to "River Road" versus River Lane.

On A Voice Vote, the motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS

2. INFORMATION: THE NYS EFC HAS GRANTED \$30,000 (25%) OF THE TWO YEAR COST TO PATCH/REPLACE SEWER LINES IN HAMBLETONIAN PARK OR ARCADIA HILLS. THE PROJECTED CAPITAL PROJECT COST FOR TWO YEARS IS \$120,000.

As stated, for information only.

3. SET DECEMBER 5, 2018 AT 7:00PM AS A PUBLIC HEARING / REVIEW OF THE WATER & SEWER FEE ANALYSIS FOR DISTRICT 1 – HAMBLETONIAN PARK & HERITAGE ESTATES.

Notification of the public hearing will sent along in the billing process.

Councilperson Van Der Molen made the motion to set a public hearing for the review of the water & sewer fee analysis for District 1 – Hambletonian Park & Heritage Estates to be held on Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter, at Goshen Town Hall, 41 Webster Avenue, Goshen, NY. Councilperson Gallo seconded the motion.

On A Voice Vote, the motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS

G. FINANCE:

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Accounts Payable check run for 11/19/2018 amounting to \$60,815.30. Councilperson Gallo seconded the motion.

On A Voice Vote, the motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS

H. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Questions concerning the Conservation Easements and setbacks on the Legoland property were re-directed for Sean Hoffman P.E. or Neal Halloran in the Planning Dept.

Discussion about the recent snow storm and our Town Police Dept. assisted the ambulance corp. navigating treacherous road conditions.

Councilperson Newbold wished everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Councilperson Gallo made the motion to adjourn the meeting for an attorney client meeting.

Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion. Motion carried.

J. ADJOURNMENT: 8:15PM

Priscilla Gersbeck, Town Clerk

