

**TOWN OF GOSHEN**  
**TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
FEBRUARY 11, 2010  
**MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. at 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
	George Lyons	Councilman
	Kenneth Newbold	Councilman

Also Present:	Dennis Caplicki	Town Attorney
	Valma Eisma	Town Clerk

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bloomfield at 7:35 p.m. and he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA:** Supervisor Bloomfield said he had placed #1 under New Business on the agenda, but was not sure all the information pertaining to it had arrived. Attorney Caplicki said he did not have the information and Councilman Canterino said the same. Supervisor Bloomfield said he would place it on the next work session and would remove it from this agenda.

**C. PRIVILEGE OF THE Floor (agenda items only) No response**

**D. OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Approval of Minutes:** Councilman Lyons said he would abstain from voting on the January 14<sup>th</sup> meeting as he was absent. Councilman Canterino made a Motion to accept the Work Sessions of January 11<sup>th</sup> and January 25, 2010 and the Regular Minutes of January 14<sup>th</sup> and January 28, 2010, with the modification of corrections. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Cappella. Motion carried.

**2. Resolution to Move \$31,231.46 From Account A 2610 to Account B 2610 for Purchase of a Police Car Per Provisions of Vehicle and Traffic Law 1803:** Supervisor Bloomfield explained that the Justices ended the year with \$31,231.46 over their estimated budget for traffic tickets. He explained that if this money was transferred to the B account it could be used to purchase a new Police car.

**TOWN OF GOSHEN  
RESOLUTION**

**BUDGET TRANSFER; FUND A ACCOUNT #2610  
TO FUND B ACCOUNT #2610  
FOR THE PURPOSE OF PURCHASING A POLICE CAR  
FOR THE TOWN OF GOSHEN POLICE DEPARTMENT**

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Kenneth Newbold  
SECONDED BY: Councilman George Lyons  
DATED: February 11, 2010

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 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010;

**WHEREAS**, Section 1803 of the Vehicle and Traffic Laws of the State of New York provides that fines related to traffic violations by motor vehicles with the Town of Goshen may be transferred from the court system to the general for general town purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, Fund A Account #2610, Fines has a balance and the town wishes to transfer said balance Fund B Account #2610, Fines for the purpose of purchasing a police car for the Town of Goshen Police Department,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the sum of \$31,231.46 be transferred from Fund A (account #2610) for the purpose of purchasing a police car for the Town of Goshen Police Department.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

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

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

**E. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Motion to Adjust Payment for Arcadia Hills and Hambletonian Park 2009 Sewer bills From \$244,277 to \$240,697 Versus Motion Passed on Monday, 2/8/2010:** Supervisor Bloomfield explained that at Monday's Work Session the Board made and passed a Motion to authorize the Budget Officer to pay the Village, on behalf of Arcadia Hills and Hambletonian Park, their sewer bill for 2009. He said when they recalculated they found they were in error. He asked for a Motion to correct this. Councilman Newbold made a Motion to adjust the sewer payment for Arcadia Hills and Hambletonian Park 2009 sewer bills from \$244,277 to \$240,697 versus the Motion passed on Monday, February 8, 2010. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Cappella. Motion carried unanimously.

**2. The Town of Goshen Police Benevolent Association has Rejected the Last "Town", Offer, Has Made a Declaration of Impasse and is requesting appointment of a mediator:** Supervisor Bloomfield reported that he and Councilman Canterino met with the attorney who is working

with them on the P.B.A. negotiations and they found that the P.B.A. has rejected the last Town offer. He said the P.B. A. went on to make a Declaration of Impasse, and are requesting the appointment of a mediator. The Supervisor said the Town has written a letter to the P.B.A stating they didn't believe we are at an impasse. Supervisor Bloomfield said the open issues are as follows:

#### P.B.A. ISSUES

1. Out of Title Pay Increases
2. Grievance Procedures
3. Police Vehicle Replacement, "we do not feel is a part of negotiations"
4. Minimum In-service Training
5. Base Wage Increases for Full Time Officers
6. Longevity Increases for Full Time Officers
7. Increases for Part Time Hourly Rate Schedule
8. Increases for Anyone Who Has a College Degree or EMT Status
9. Duration of Contract, Town is asking for three years.

The Supervisor stated he was very disappointed, he said the Board feels that in today's environment they gave a fair wage increase, and all the other provisions. Councilman Canterino explained the process used in the negotiations. He stated the Board, when doing the budget, did not decrease the amount that was given to the Police last year, as they did in many other departments, we let them go with the same budget as last year. He said the negotiations had just started, when the P B A sent a letter of impasse. He said maybe they just decided to go into arbitration and for some reason get a lot more than they will through negotiations. Councilman Canterino said the budget has been squeezed dry, used all the contingencies, and this really has to be a team effort.

**F. FINANCE:** Councilman Cappella made a Motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Accounts Payable Check Run for February 11, 2010 amounting to \$79,317.47. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Newbold. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **G. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

Jerry Boss asked about the finials on the Salesian Fence, and what was being done about building a bathroom there? Supervisor Bloomfield replied the finials will be repaired in the spring. Councilman Lyons said in reference to the bathroom, that the County has agreed to an extension on the grant, he said the cost of the bathrooms is approximately \$30,000, with force account work, that will be supplied by the Village and the Town hopefully. He said he is in the process of setting up a meeting between the Village and Highway Superintendents to meet at the site, which is as close as they can get to the Village sewer system that they hope to tap into. Councilman Lyons said the extension given was for June 1, 2010.

Mr. Boss also asked about the plan to use some of Salesian for tiny tots playing fields. Councilman Lyons explained that some of the property that was to be used actually belongs to the Library. He said knowing this, Joint Recreation just backed off for the time being.

Joel Markowitz asked about the sewer negotiations with the Village? He also asked about the Heritage Estates negotiations status? Supervisor Bloomfield replied no, but perhaps in a couple of weeks he would be able to do so.

Mr. Markowitz asked if the Board had obtained the result of the audit that was done on the Village in regard to sewer. Supervisor Bloomfield said the Board has never received a report.

**H. ADJOURNMENT:** Councilman Cappella made a Motion to adjourn the meeting and go into Executive Session, with intent not to return, to discuss the status of the sewer negotiations with the village; Tax Certiorari review, and the P.B.A. contract negotiations. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Lyons. Motion carried unanimously.

Time: 8:10 p.m.

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Valma Eisma, Town Clerk