

TOWN OF GOSHEN
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
May 10, 2010
MINUTES

A work session of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 10th day of May, 2010 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	Attorney for the Town
	Priscilla Gersbeck	Deputy Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bloomfield at 7:31pm. Supervisor Bloomfield amended the agenda, moving item 3 to item 1.

1. REQUEST FOR EASEMENT ON HAMBLETONIAN PARK WATER DISTRICT PROPERTY TO BUILD A DRIVEWAY

Supervisor Bloomfield addressed a letter submitted by Stephen & Lynn Riccardulli, who live on Upper Magic Circle Drive (parcel 6.1). Mr. Riccardulli explained that he would like to purchase the lower part of parcel 7.1 to put in a driveway. Currently they have an easement to access their residence. Parcels 7.1 and 6.2 are owned by the Town of Goshen Water District. Future plans for Upper Magic Circle Drive will hinder safe access onto their easement. Attorney Caplicki will look into this matter.

2. TIME WARNER FRANCHISE CONTRACT RENEWAL

Attorney Caplicki has been in communication with representatives from Time Warner. He is waiting for information to be sent to him.

3. AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS TO PURCHASE A 1996 INTERNATIONAL DUMP TRUCK FOR \$12,250 FROM THE TOWN OF HAMPTONBURGH

On May 4, 2010 the Town of Hamptonburgh awarded the Town of Goshen a bid purchase for a 1996 dump truck with a plow.

Councilman Cappella made the motion to authorize the Town Superintendent of Highways to purchase a used 1996 International Dump Truck; it is 7-cubic yards, for \$12,250.00 from the Town of Hamptonburgh. Councilman Canterino seconded the motion.

On A Voice Vote, the motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Canterino, Cappella, Lyons, Newbold
0 NAYS

4. FINALIZE POSITION REGARDING HERITAGE ESTATES CONDITIONS FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

Supervisor Bloomfield reviewed five conditions identified for action by the Town Board. They are as follows: (1) The current disposition of the Board with regard to formation of drainage districts (2) The Town Board's willingness to accept a public pedestrian trail connection from the Craigville park to Old Chester Road (3) Approve width and specifications of emergency access from Heritage Estates to Brookside Drive (4) Approve sidewalk plan including sidewalk from Heritage Estates to Brookside Drive and a sidewalk from Heritage Estates to Old Chester Road and (5) Final disposition of proposed open space adjacent to the Craigville Park and bridle path dedication of a 50' right-of-way.

Concerns were voiced over the details of the conservation easement and provisions for sewer service. The Board Members want to see *everything* in writing for resolve.

5. GREAT AMERICAN WEEKEND SUPPORTER PACKAGE FOR 2010. DO WE WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN AN AD?

This year the Chamber of Commerce sent out a flyer requesting financial support for the 29th Annual Great American Weekend. There are several supporter packages to choose from. The Board Members will individually decide on what they want to do, not placing a burden on the taxpayer.

6. INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN MEMORIAL DAY PARADE, MONDAY MAY 31ST - NEED TO RSVP

Commander Bill Walling of the American Legion Goshen Post 377 sent a letter to the Supervisor and Board Members inviting them to participate in the Goshen Memorial Day Parade and services to be held on Monday, May 31, 2010.

7. TOWN HALL CUPOLA STATUS REVIEW

Supervisor Bloomfield had Dennis Lindsay (Town Engineer) look over the condition of the cupola on top of the Town Hall. He advised us that it is in "bad shape" and that we should periodically check on its condition. This will be costly to repair. One of the estimates was in the \$35,000-\$40,000 range. Presently, we aren't going to do anything. Some one will check the cupola in about six months.

8. AUTHORIZE THE TOWN CLERK TO OPEN FUTURE CASH PERFORMANCE BONDS IN GOVERNMENT BANKING THROUGH KEY BANK

Councilman Canterino stated that our present Bank of America has changed venues. To make a municipal transaction, one has to call long distance (Tampa, Florida) and go through several bank employees to inquire about a simple transaction. Dealing with a number of people/phone conversations is time consuming and complicated. Whereas, Key Bank's Municipal Dept. is in Monroe. Key Bank will even arrange for a meeting in their Goshen branch to accommodate our banking needs.

The accounts will be interest bearing with no service charges. This is much more convenient and will save us a lot of time.

Councilman Canterino made the motion to designate Key Bank as the depository for Performance Bonds. Councilman Cappella seconded the motion.

On A Voice Vote, the motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Canterino, Cappella, Lyons, Newbold
0 NAYS

9. JESSUP SWITCH ROAD COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT – STATUS

Supervisor Bloomfield received communication from the County Executive signing off on the Community Block Grant for Jessup Switch Road. The *plans* are before the Community Block Grant Organization for review. Upon receipt, we will print up the bid packages and go out for bid. Hopefully, we will be able to go out for bids in June.

10. REQUEST FOR MORE STOP SIGNS IN HAMBLETONIAN PARK- STATUS

An individual home owner in Hambletonian Park requested more stop signs in the development. Chief Marsh will be notified to evaluate the situation and report to us his findings.

11. PLANNED PROTEST AT JOHN S. BURKE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL (OFF PROPERTY) MAY 28TH

A letter was received from an Alumni, Class of 2009 and organizer of the rally. Supervisor Bloomfield read the letter. ["On May 28th, 2010, starting at approximately 6:45am, a peaceful protest involving picketing will be held at the bottom of the hill of John S. Burke Catholic High School (off-property). This protest is to be held against the current lay-off situation that is happening there. There is a Facebook Event page for this demonstration, and at the time of writing there are 98 confirmed guests and 101 "maybes", but obviously we do not expect every single person that said "yes" to show up. We will not block traffic and we will be sure that all signs and the like are not overly defamatory or without reason. We plan on protesting throughout the day, commencing at approximately 4:30 or 5:00. Thank You, Jenna Quaranta"]

The Police Dept., Highway Dept. and our Ins. carrier will be sent a copy of the letter, just for information.

12. O.C. EMERGENCY SERVICES TRAINING ELECTED OFFICIALS MAY 20TH AND P.D. /DPW LEADERSHIP JUNE 22-23

On May 20th the Dept. of Emergency Services will be conducting an Executive Overview Meeting and ICS for Executives & Elected Officials training. The meeting is to discuss the purposes, goals, objectives and delivery levels of the upcoming Continuity of Operations Planning (COOP) in June. The ICS (Incident Command Systems) is designed to familiarize local leaders with its principles and their specific roles in support of incident management during response operations. The Board Members will attend this session.

13. CRAIGVILLE PARK – JRC REQUEST TO FIX ROAD LEADING TO BACK BALL FIELDS

Councilman Lyons wasn't familiar with this request. He will inquire about it at the JRC meeting Tuesday night. There has been a verbal complaint as to numerous potholes leading to the back ball fields. Councilman Cappella recalled a discussion a few years back asking the JRC to put road repairs into *their* budget. The money for this should come from the Town and Village "Parkland Fees" since this is an IMA. The current situation needs to be re-evaluated for repairs.

14. ORANGE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND DRAFT WATER MASTER PLAN

Supervisor Bloomfield is asking the Board Members to review the proposed amendments to the Orange County Comprehensive Plan. The proposed amendments include: a) Revisions to the Land Use Plan; b) Housing and neighborhood Preservation c) Economic Development and d) a Water Master Plan. Our County Legislators will be voting on the amendments. Please bring any/all comments to the next meeting to be forwarded to the County.

15. 2010 REVENUE ANALYSIS

Supervisor Bloomfield recapped the Town's current status on revenues: Fund A-Courts, Fund A-Mortgage Tax and Fund B-Sales Tax. With today's economic conditions, anticipated revenue may fall short. Therefore, we need to watch current expenditures.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

1. PD/Personnel
2. PD Negotiation Status
3. ADC Litigation
4. Al Turi Tax Certiorari
5. Timber Trail Litigation

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

Time: 8:47PM

Priscilla Gersbeck, Deputy Town Clerk

