

TOWN OF GOSHEN
TOWN BOARD MEETING

June 25, 2020

MINUTES

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 25th day of June, 2020 at the Town Hall located at 41 Webster Avenue, Village of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York via videoconference due to the recent Covid-19 pandemic.

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| Present: | Douglas Bloomfield | Supervisor |
| | Philip Canterino | Councilmember |
| | Richard Florio | Councilmember |
| | George Lyons | Councilmember |
| | Kenneth Newbold | Councilmember |

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| Also Present: | Richard Golden | Attorney for the Town |
| | Priscilla Gersbeck | Town Clerk |
| | Mary Riso | Clerk to the Supervisor |

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bloomfield at 7:30 pm. Seconded by Councilperson Florio.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discuss and approve revisions to Local Law 2 of 2019, Section 97-55 of the Town Code ("Wind and Solar Energy Systems") to ensure consistency and clarity. Additionally, review and approve Environmental Assessment form, Parts 1 and 2, in support of the proposed changes and authorize the Supervisor to sign the same.

Councilperson Newbold made the motion amending Section 97-55 of Local Law 2 of 2019 as stated, and for the Town Board of the Town of Goshen to assume Lead Agency Status, type the action as unlisted under SEQRA and issue a Negative Declaration. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

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| On a Voice Vote: | 5 AYES | Supervisor Bloomfield |
| | | Councilperson Canterino |
| | | Councilperson Lyons |
| | | Councilperson Newbold |
| Motion Carried. | | Councilperson Florio |

2. Information: The grant funded projects to install automated ADA approved doors in the front Entrance to the Town Hall and the Senior Center have been completed. Thanks go to Ken, Mary, Christine and Sean for making this happen.

As stated: for information only.

3. Discuss and approve proposed stormwater construction and maintenance guarantees and decommissioning cash bond for South Goshen Solar, LLC and authorize the Supervisor to sign The same. Please see attached correspondence from Sean Hoffman, P.E.

the Town of Goshen Code requires a developer to post a construction completion cash bond to ensure the completion of activities related to the stormwater pollution prevention plan. The Town of Goshen Code also requires a developer to provide a maintenance guarantee to ensure proper operation and maintenance of

4. Discuss and approve a request by Joe Klopchin and Broderick Knoell to hydrofrack Arcadia wells 8A and 51. Water consumption is equal to water produced, thus these two wells need to be rehabilitated. The estimated cost is \$5,000 per well.

Councilperson Canterino made the motion to authorize Broderick Knoell to contract for hydrofracking of well # 8A and well #51 in Arcadia Hills. Councilperson Florio seconded the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

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| Supervisor Douglas Bloomfield | <u>AYE</u> | Councilmember Richard Florio | <u>AYE</u> |
| Councilmember Phil Canterino | <u>AYE</u> | Councilmember Kenneth Newbold | <u>AYE</u> |
| Councilmember George Lyons | <u>AYE</u> | | |

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

5. Information: A third water flushing of the Hambletonian Park water lines (including Heritage Estates) will be conducted starting July 9th.

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to authorize a third water flushing as stated above. Councilperson Canterino seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote: 4 AYES

Supervisor Bloomfield
Councilperson Canterino
Councilperson Newbold
Councilperson Florio
Councilperson Lyons Absent

Motion Carried.

6. Review and approve a resolution to extend certain permit and land use approval expiration dates by 120 days beyond the stated expiration date.

TOWN OF GOSHEN

Resolution

EXTENSION OF CERTAIN PERMIT AND LAND USE APPROVAL EXPIRATION DATES BY 120 DAYS

INTRODUCED BY: Councilmember Richard Florio

SECONDED BY: Councilmember Philip Canterino

DATED: June 25, 2020

WHEREAS, the Governor of the State of New York has signed into law Bill S8236A on June 22, 2020 permitting local governments to extend certain expiration periods for up to 120 days beyond the stated expiration date; and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to immediately take action on behalf of its residents to permit the extension of the expiration periods as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that for the duration of the State disaster emergency declared pursuant to Executive Order 202 of 2020, the Town hereby extends, for a period of up to 120 days beyond the stated expiration date:

1. Building permits issued before March 7, 2020; and
2. Active Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Board approvals issued before March 7, 2020.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately, and shall expire on December 31, 2021 in accordance with this new law.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

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| Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield | <u>AYE</u> | Councilperson, George Lyons | <u>ABSENT</u> |
| Councilperson, Philip Canterino | <u>AYE</u> | Councilperson, Kenneth Newbold | <u>AYE</u> |
| Councilperson, Richard Florio | <u>AYE</u> | | |

Vote: Resolution passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

7. Review and approve a resolution that authorizes the Town of Goshen Police Chief to sign a document with the County of Orange to allow the Goshen Police Department to participate and be financially reimbursed for enforcement activities associated with the County wide Stop DWI Program.

TOWN OF GOSHEN

Resolution

AUTHORIZATION TO THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO SIGN CONTRACT AND/OR DOCUMENTATION WITH COUNTY OF ORANGE

INTRODUCED BY: Councilperson Philip Canterino

SECONDED BY: Councilperson Richard Florio

DATED: June 25, 2020

WHEREAS, the County of Orange has funds to be distributed to local law enforcement agencies for the purpose of conducting enforcement activities related to the STOP DWI PROGRAM; and

WHEREAS, the Town wishes to participate in said program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Goshen approves the receipt of said funds on behalf of the Town of Goshen Police Department from the County of Orange and authorizes Chief of Police James McDowell to execute any and all necessary documents and contracts with regards to the available funds.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

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| Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield | <u>AYE</u> | Councilperson, George Lyons | <u>ABSENT</u> |
| Councilperson, Philip Canterino | <u>AYE</u> | Councilperson, Kenneth Newbold | <u>AYE</u> |
| Councilperson, Richard Florio | <u>AYE</u> | | |

Vote: Resolution passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Information: A 500-gallon sewage spill occurred in Hambletonian Park on Sunday, May 14, at 3:40pm. Investigation revealed that a power surge tripped the control system breaker, thus disabling the control of the sewer pumps and alarm/communication equipment. TAM Enterprises re-installed a diesel backup sewer pump and Orange and Rockland Utilities has agreed to examine power services to the facility. (See attached 6/14/2020 and 6/17/2020 reports to the NYS DEC).

As stated, for information only.

- Information: we received a letter from NYS Comptroller DiNapoli regarding local sales tax collections by month January thru May 2020. YTD Orange County is -8.2% or \$9,100,000 lower than 2019 for the same period. The Town of Goshen 2020 Budget included \$1,300,000 of Sales Tax Revenue.

As stated, for information only. [Councilperson Lyons has reconnected to the meeting]

- Information: Town of Goshen staffing returned to 100 percent, Tuesday, June 23rd. Town Hall will open to the public on an appointment basis beginning July 6th.

As stated, for information only.

- Discuss and accept the resignation of Florence O'Brien, Justice Court Clerk. She has accepted other employment closer to home.

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to accept the resignation of Florence O'Brien, Justice Court Clerk effective June 30, 2020. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote: 5 AYES

Supervisor Bloomfield
Councilperson Canterino
Councilperson Lyons
Councilperson Newbold
Councilperson Florio

Motion Carried.

- Review and approve the request by Justices VanHaaster and Brady to hire Chelsea Brandt to the position of Junior Court Clerk currently held by Kajornsak Rangsiyothin.

Kajornsak Rangsiyothin has been selected by the Justices for the position as Senior Court Clerk at the current salary.

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to approve the request by Justices VanHaaster and Brady to hire Chelse Brandt to the position of Junior Court Clerk and to promote Kajornsak Rangsiyothin as Senior Court Clerk. Councilperson Florio seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote: 5 AYES

Supervisor Bloomfield
Councilperson Canterino
Councilperson Lyons
Councilperson Newbold
Councilperson Florio

Motion Carried.

- Information: Nugent & Haeussler began an audit of the Town of Goshen Justice Court on Monday, June 22nd. The period being audited is January 2019 thru YTD May 31, 2020.

As stated, for information only.

- Information: Governor Cuomo issued Executive Order 203 – "New York State Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative". The Executive Order requires local governments with Police Departments to develop a plan to improve deployment, strategies, policies, procedures, and practices for the purpose of addressing the particular needs of communities thru community engagement, to foster fairness and legitimacy, to address racial bias and disproportionate policing of communities of color. The plan has to be completed and approved by the Town Board by April 1, 2021.

As stated, for information only.

FINANCE

1. Councilperson Lyons made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Accounts Payable check run for June 25, 2020 in the amount of \$140,772.07. Councilperson Canterino seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote: 5 AYES

Supervisor Bloomfield
Councilperson Canterino
Councilperson Lyons
Councilperson Newbold
Councilperson Florio

Motion Carried.

2. Budget Officer, Christine Cavaliere, is requesting approval to make YTD budget transfers in all funds to cover Expenditure Accounts that have exceeded their budgeted amounts. These transfers will be funded by accounts with excess budget amounts available for transfer.

Councilperson Lyons made the motion to approve year to date budget transfers as requested by the Budget Officer. Councilperson Canterino seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote: 5 AYES

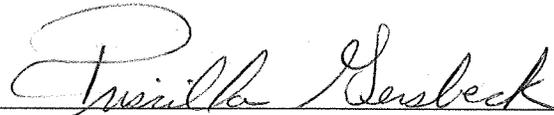
Supervisor Bloomfield
Councilperson Canterino
Councilperson Lyons
Councilperson Newbold
Councilperson Florio

Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion. Motion Carried.

Time: 8:40pm



Priscilla Gersbeck, Town Clerk