

TOWN OF GOSHEN
TOWN BOARD MEETING
July 22, 2010

A Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 22nd day of July, 2010 at Town Hall, located at 41 Webster Avenue, Village of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York.

Present:	Douglas Bloomfield	Supervisor
	George Lyons	Councilman
	Louis Cappella	Councilman
	Kenneth Newbold	Councilman

Also Present:	Dennis Caplicki	Town Attorney
	Richard Golden	Planning Board Attorney
	Valma Eisma	Town Clerk

Absent: Philip Canterino, Councilman

A. CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Bloomfield called the meeting to order and asked Town Clerk, Val Eisma to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA: None

C. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: (agenda items only) None

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING TIMBER TRAIL:

Councilman Cappella made a Motion to open the continuation of the Public Hearing of Timber Trail Special Use Permit. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Lyons. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Supervisor Bloomfield stated that Rick Golden, Attorney for the Planning Board was with us tonight to add legal advise if needed or answer questions pertaining to the Public Hearings. Supervisor Bloomfield then read the Legal Notice for Timber Trail.

July 9, 2010

Timber Trail, LLC
21 Pearlman Drive
Spring Valley, N Y 10977

RE: Special Permit Application, Timber Trail LLC

Public Hearing Notice

To Whom it May Concern:

Please take notice that on Thursday the 22nd day of July, 2010, at 7:30 p.m., the Town Board of the Town of Goshen will hold a public hearing at the Town Hall, 41 Webster Avenue, Goshen, New York on the Timber Trail, LLC special permit application. The Town of Goshen will make every effort to assure that the hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or reasonable accommodations should contact the Town Clerk. This notice is being provided to allow for the same notice that a special permit proceeding before the Town Planning Board would receive.

Dated: July 7, 2010
Goshen, New York

Valma Eisma
Town Clerk
7/14/2010

Supervisor Bloomfield asked who was going to speak for Timber Trail:

Tomas Olley said he is a Professional Engineer, and he is representing Timber Trail LLC in this application, and with him tonight are the principals in the application Susan and Milton Shapiro and Attorney Ben Ostrer, Counsel for the applicant. He said he would like to give a brief description of the project, and he stated the following: The project is a Planned Adult Community, an age restricted development. At least one member of the household has to be fifty five years or older and generally no one under the age of nineteen is permitted to reside there. It will be a market rate rental project unique in the fact that it is being designed to be a sustainable community.

He continued: The Buildings will be done with green technology, having super insulation, energy efficient windows throughout, to geothermal heating systems, etc. that will reduce the dependency on fossil fuels, and also long term cost effective heating source for the units themselves.

It will be a community with amenities such as 3000 sq. foot clubhouse that can be used by the residents and the Goshen Community. The amenities may include swimming pool, tennis courts, and perhaps a very small retail building that could serve a few convenient products for the development and the immediate surrounding area.

Mr. Olley described the property as being on both sides of Route 207. He said: there was a water study done, there are two test wells on the property. One was estimated to produce 200 gallons of water per minute and the second one 125 gallons per minute.

He gave a brief description of how the project would be laid out, it will be a clustered community, and the rest of the land will be an conservation easement (depending on what the Board wants) or maintained for agriculture.

Mr. Olley said one thing that must always be considered in a community such as this, is what is to be done with the waste water. He said there will be a central, waste water treatment center, but unlike most we have seen, usually referred to as package plants, this would incorporate a construction wet land. A construction wet land uses indigenous naturally occurring wetland plants, in construction sand beds, where the plants provide the treatment. This has been very successful in a wide range of applications. This type of treatment center does not need any mechanical equipment to operate. The most it would need could be a pump or two to lift the treated sewage, if necessary, to discharge it into a stream. There is an indexed DEC stream a Class C stream, and it is a significant stream. The DEC will allow the discharge of treated waste water effluent into that stream. He said this would require a permit from the DEC, and the plans for that would be developed as the process moves along.

Mr. Olley said the project meets the area requirements and the access requirements to the State or County highway, it is in the RA zone, which is one of the two zones a PAC is permitted in. He said the number of units is in accordance with the code, there are 230 units, but the equivalency, due to the number of one bedroom units is 163 units in accordance with the code. He said there is a fair amount of wet lands on the property, which we have taken out of the calculation, and have determined that there is eighty two acres of unconstrained land, which exceeds what is required for this type of project. He said the project is fairly close to the village, and is under three miles to the Metro North Station at Campbell Hall. He said the applicants feel that there is an area in the rental market that this type of development can satisfy.

Kathy Heller, 25 Everett Road, Goshen. Ms Heller said her family has many concerns, but the main one is the discharge of that water. She said Mr. Olley just said this is a significant stream. She said she took these pictures after the heavy rain last week, that stream is dry, there is no water running through that stream right now. She said our main concern is, if this water is being dumped on our property line, in our back yard, in the summer time when that water is low, that water that will be in that stream will be the so called discharge. She said in the spring time it all floods, and adding water to this stream will make it worse. She said this flood water is near her well, and flows across the street, and affects everyone on the other side of Everett Road.

Dan Matteo: Hambletonian Park, Goshen. Mr. Matteo said he was not directly affected with the building of this project. He said he hoped what ever was built would be in the character of Goshen. He said what he sees here is a developer trying to put in as many units as possible, and most are small. He said what he would like to see are houses on some property, and that would reflect the character of Goshen.

Edward Chain, Everett Road, Goshen. Mr. Chain said there are many concerns about this property. He asked if there was ever a traffic study on this project? He said they live on one of the most dangerous roads in Orange County, route 207. He said there are accidents every week on this road, and you are going to allow a project like this to enter this road, part of this project is in Hamptonburgh, did anyone notify them?

Mr. Chain said he hears all about "this green stuff". He said let me tell you something about this sewer system. He said he was Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds for Sugar Loaf Union Free School, and we put in a system like this. He said the system never worked right, it doesn't drain right into the system. We live in an area that has nothing but blue slate, you go down two

feet, and you will hit rock, how will this system drain? "You have no idea how it is out there when it floods, and in the summer there is no water". He said when this system does not work, "Believe me, it smells", if the pumps go bad or the electric goes out, you have problems.

Mr. Chain said, referring again to traffic, there are buses traveling on Route 207 from all over going to BOCES, as well as our own school buses, the traffic is lined up every morning. He said any one familiar with Everett Road know all the s turns all over this road. Anyone living in this project will be traveling this road. "We have had people run up on our lawns, the geese have been run over, because you can't see ahead." "I am really worried about those school buses, we have had them run off the road, and people killed there all the time, and it is the same on Route 207." "I am thoroughly against this."

Supervisor Bloomfield said for clarification, this is the beginning of the process, and to date there have been no traffic studies, environmental impact statements, etc., and Hamptonburgh was notified.

Ben Ostrer, Attorney for the Shapiros, stated that just to clarify for the people who have already spoken, "we are at the earliest stage of this process when we approach this Board." He said there are clearly a lot of studies that need to be done. He said "so the public is aware, this PAC use was adopted by the Town after a lengthy re-zoning." At that time the density throughout the Town were reduced, overall development even in the region of the Timber Trail project, taking Timber Trail into account is far less than it would have been under the old Town zoning.

Mr. Ostrer said he is before this Town Board to ask to be allowed to take their project to the Planning Board where that Board can test the reasonableness of our water plans, to see if there is an environmental impact that will hurt the area, or may actually improve some of the conditions there. He said any development in any area will have an impact on a neighborhood, "but we think the Town has spent years in studying the zoning, they may not have contemplated Timber Trail coming in with this application in this location, but we think the questions the public have raised need to be undertaken in a course of review at the Planning Board."

Mr. Ostrer said he would ask that the Public Hearing be left open. He said he knows the County Planning has been notified, the Town of Hamptonburgh may have comments. He said he hoped the Board would hold the Public Hearing open till some time in August, so that the Board can review the comments, and they can respond.

Gary Dostal, 29 Everett Road said he did not think Timber Trail had a right to put up 200 plus rental units between Route 207 and Everett Road, because of the negativity to the surrounding community. "If the Goshen Town Board allows Timber Trail to construct 200 plus rental units it would drastically change the quality of life, character, the tax base and the resale value of the whole neighborhood and the surrounding neighborhood.

Mr. Dostal said 207 is a State Road, built to State regulations, therefore it allows heavy trucks, including tractor trailers. The entrance from Timber Trail onto Route 207 would be a death trap. "Tractor trailers and heavy use vehicle, like the one I own, would be coming up the hill from Goshen and bearing right, just before the entrance, and definitely I can state categorically not be able to stop." He said the speed on Route 207 is fast and the State can post all kinds of signs, but people will continue to speed. He said he would expect the State might want to put up a traffic signal, which can also be dangerous. Since the age limit is from 19 to 55 you will have quite a number of people going to work and back at peak hours, this will add more people to the already backed up traffic in the morning and afternoon. He said there is nothing you can do to widen 207 in any way. Mr. Dostal said the denial of this project would be just common sense.

Regina Leone. 32 Everett Road said she is against this project. She said every year when the winter thaws and the spring rains come we have flooding on our property. She said at one time their bridge was washed out, and another time Everett Road was washed out completely and had to be rebuilt. She said she had pictures and she would give them to the Board. Ms. Leon said the Town put in a culvert to handle run off on the other side of Everett Road by Shale Lane, this only caused more water to run on her property. She asked what will happen when the run off of 200 homes is dumped into our streams? Ms. Leone said her well is only about 50 feet deep and about 20 feet from the stream, may be contaminated or may even run dry, who will be responsible if this happens?

Ms. Leone asked about the adverse affect on wild life? "At this point I hope that you vote that this development should not happen. (Ms. Leone submitted entire letter was handed to the clerk along with her pictures see file)

Ilona Kegler 3322 Route 207, said she would like to know why the notice she received said 163 dwellings and now she is hearing 231 units, how did this change?

Susan Shapiro, 3301 Route 207, "I am your neighbor, I live here as well." I am concerned about our community as well." Ms. Shapiro is co- applicant of the project. She said in answer to Ms. Kegler' question: The way the Town Code works is, these are one and two bedrooms apartments, they are not homes. She said the Town Code prorates apartments and it comes out to 163 units. She said her engineer would explain it further. She said they are not asking for any variances or anything special, they are following the Town's rules, and it comes out to be 163 units and about 230 people.

Ms. Shapiro said there were questions about the tax base, and the reality of this project is a benefit to the tax base as we will be paying taxes for this property and for the development of it, and it will benefit the school district as there will be no additional children coming into the district, but there will be additional tax dollars.

She said other things that will add to the community are the tennis courts, pool, recreation center and a community area. She stated it will be geo thermal built, with solar panels, etc. which will mean lower utility rates, which will aid the senior citizens on fixed incomes.

Ms. Shapiro said there were concerns about the look of the project, and said it will look like the rest of Goshen. It will look like the farm houses, lawyer's row, and the property I currently live in. She said seventy per cent of the project will be open space. She said everything will be further addressed, once they go to the Planning Board.

John Harrington presented a letter to the residents present and the Board. He spoke of a yard sale held on Route 207, and the havoc it created in the traffic. It shows what this development will do to the traffic on this road. His primary objection to the project was the effect it will have on traffic with an entrance onto Route 207, with a traffic light or without one. He said what will happen if a special permit is approved and this entrance is built without a light in place, who will be responsible for the accidents that would occur until the inevitable light installation? But do lights guarantee safety?

Mr. Harragin said this is the type of development that costs a community dearly. It amounts to more tax, a tax of your time, your quality life, a tax of your money. Don't we already pay enough tax in this region? (Mr. Harragin's letter can be read in it's entirety in the file in the Town Clerk's Office.)

Robert Field, 3295 Route 207 said he lived at this address for ten years, after living for thirty years down the road, still on Route 207, a total of forty years. There have been at least a dozen deaths between "Dead Man's Curve, at Kipp Road and Everett." He said where he lives now. there have been a couple of dozen accidents and three or four deaths. He said cars travel 60, 70 miles per hour on 207. He said if you drive from Goshen, and come to the beginning of the property in question, the road crests to a higher elevation, and at that point it starts to go down, and I know as I watch cars go by I stop just to see if the car makes it around the curve.

Mr. Field said water/sewer is always a problem, he asked what recourse would he have if his well does not perform adequately, or is severely altered by this project? He also asked what will happen if the project is a failure, what will happen then? He asked about the hideous water tower that no one is talking about? He said it is showing on the plans as a little circle stating water tower 75 ft. high approximately 25 to 50 feet off 207. Mr. Field said you couldn't pick a worse place for a water tower, it will be visible for miles and miles.

He quoted a large section of the code (refer to disc) " I am putting my faith in the Town Board, and I strenuously object to the proposal."

Bob Torsello, 37 Shale Lane, right around the corner from Everett Road. He said he agreed with every one else who spoke, but his primary concern is for his well. I ask the Board to seriously consider this and protect our water. He said it is difficult to get out onto Everett Road early morning and he would think that Timber Trail would have some concern for their prospective working tenants who will be at risk trying to get on to Route 207. He said he doesn't want our Town to look like Rockland County.

Ms. Leone spoke again saying the Village has a project that was supposed to be for Seniors that was converted to rentals, as they were not selling. She said that now there are children living in this complex, could this happen to this development. She also said she was not notified of this meeting and she lives on Route 207, and she feels she is one that will be most impacted particularly since her well is so close to the water. She said she would like to be notified of the next meeting.

Sean Sullivan, 21 Everett Road said he noticed someone brought a basket of vegetables with them tonight, this project is right behind my house, He said no one is planning on growing vegetables behind his home, they are planning on planting 200 bathrooms behind my house, they are talking about parking 400 cars behind my house. He said this development is completely out of character with the neighborhood of single family homes on multiple acres, and you are talking about putting in multiple dwellings, with all the problems that come with them. He said all are concerned about what will happen to their property values, and he has very serious concerns about this project.

Jerry Boss, Craigville Road said his concern is the cumulative effect of this project, plus four other projects that are being presented a this time. He said we have the Rieger Project, Heritage Estates, the Fini Brothers and ADC. He said there is a traffic problem here, he spoke of two different traffic studies that have been done in the past. Mr. Boss said he thought these studies were to tell us how much traffic our Town could absorb.

John Harrigan referred to the undeveloped portion of the non wet land property that is to be the road frontage along Route 207, right in front of the project. He said he perceives if there is a traffic light it may turn that road frontage into high value property. He said from track records of other developers, it looks to be that there is a plan to turn this into additional development along 207. He said when he drives home at night he has to make the left hand turn from route 207 to Everett Road. He said many people have been killed there, and many people ask why there is no

traffic light. He said a traffic light could not work there, it would just make a new spot for the accidents to occur.

Mr. Chain said he had another concern he did not have when he came here tonight. He said Mr. Ostrer said we were guinea pigs. He said it disturbed him as he did not want to be a guinea pig nor did he want his children to have this environmental impact on them.

Supervisor Bloomfield said there was another letter by Helen and Kenneth Sullivan opposing the project, they are very concerned about the effect on their well. (see file)

The Supervisor explained that the Board has a request from the County for a General Municipal Law Report 239-N. Therefore he would suggest the Board leave the Public Hearing open until such time as this report can be obtained and reviewed.

Councilman Cappella made a Motion to continue the Public Hearing involving Timber Trail LLC to August 23, 2010. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Newbold. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Supervisor Bloomfield thanked everyone who came to this Public Hearing. There was a brief recess while these people left.

2. CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING STOP SIGN PLAN FOR HAMBLETONIAN PARK

Councilman Newbold made a Motion to open the Continuation of the Public Hearing regarding STOP sign plan for Hambletonian Park. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Lyons. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Supervisor Bloomfield asked if anyone would like to speak, with no response he asked Chief of Police Dennis Marsh to address the residents and the Board about placement of the STOP signs.

Chief Marsh said he was asked to assess the need for placing STOP signs in Hambletonian Park, and he and his sergeant went out to inspect the area. He said they identified the intersections they felt should have the signs. He said he felt there is a need for some type of traffic control, as the only two traffic control signs are the two stop signs that are located at the two main entrances.

He said there are pros and cons to wanting STOP signs. He said the only purpose for a STOP sign is to assign the right away to someone approaching the sign. He said there are twelve areas in the development that he felt might warrant a sign. However, he said that does not mean they all need STOP signs, some could have a yield sign if there is enough sight distance.

Chief Marsh did point out that there is a total liability to the Town. He said number one is the absence of a STOP sign can throw a liability on the Town if there is an injury to a pedestrian or an accident at that particular location. He said if there is a STOP sign at the location there is a liability to the Town, that it be properly maintained, or someone could get hurt on the actual structure that is placed there. He said there are a lot of reasons to have STOP signs and a lot of reasons not to have them.

Chief Marsh said they did a study on STOP signs for Arcadia Hills. He said there are lots more residents in that development, perhaps more teenage drivers. The Chief said if they know the sign is there they will slow down, even if they do not stop. He said where there is no traffic

control many times they will travel the speed limit or more, and will go right through that intersection.

He said there have not been many accidents or complaints from the residents of Hambletonian Park, but if there are concerns, they should be addressed. He said he has a new speed trailer. the department just received from a grant, that the Chief suggested could be used for further study. He said it could be placed in certain areas to see what the speeds are that are going through the park.

He said the department has not written many tickets in Hambletonian Park, and there is a cost involved in installing the signs. He said it really is up to the citizens, but the Town should think about the liability.

Kenneth Obremski spoke from the back of the room and Chief Marsh answered. However, Mr. Obremski's comments were inaudible. He made a comment about STOP signs on every corner, and Chief Marsh replied: "As a police officer, I would say it depends on the situation and the danger element that presents itself at that intersection."

There was a brief question/answer session between Chief Marsh and the residents. The Residents did not use the microphone. There was a discussion on speed bumps.

Supervisor Bloomfield stated there is a law that at an intersection, if someone is crossing the street, that the oncoming car must stop, even if there is not a sign. Chief Marsh replied that with the distractions today such as cell phones, texting, talking, eating, fixing their makeup, etc., the lack of having a STOP sign there is a bigger liability than having one.

Doris Obremski spoke, again in the back of the room saying STOP signs do not reduce speeds. She said there is a National SAFE KIDS Campaign that conducted an extensive survey n STOP signs in school zones and residential areas, and it is distressing to learn that a large percentage of drivers actually drove less safely with STOP signs installed. She said 37% of the motorist rolled though the STOP sign, 7% did not even slow down for the sign, nearly a third violated the STOP sign when child pedestrians were present, and nearly half violated the sign when no pedestrians were present. She continued saying nearly a quarter did not come to a complete stop at intersections where pedestrians were crossing and more than a third violated the sign when pedestrians were waiting to cross.

Ms. Obremski said she thought there were concerns about speed in Hambletonian Park. Supervisor Bloomfield replied it was a couple with small children that came to his office on two occasions asking for them for the safety of their children.

Ms. Obremski quoted from another pamphlet "Did you know that studies have shown that generally too many STOP signs, and or unwarranted STOP signs create host of undesirable traffic safety conditions." "A STOP sign is one of the most valuable, and effective traffic control devices when used at the right place, and under the right conditions, it can also create a dangerous situation, and diminish the effectiveness of other signs when improperly used."

Ms. Obremski read another paragraph from the pamphlet that stated "did you know that national studies have shown that accident rates have actually increased at intersections where STOP signs have been installed without being warranted or where circumstances did not justify the installation." She said after reading this she thought the Town's liability would be higher if we installed STOP signs where they are not warranted, and there was an accident. She said she felt that putting STOP signs all over the development that we could be actually creating a hazardous situation.

Jerry Boss said he lived in Hambletonian Park and never remembered there being any accidents, only once when someone caught a stone in their windshield.

Supervisor Bloomfield said there are no STOP signs in the subdivision at this time, and the history is there have been no accidents. However, he said there was one in Arcadia Hill, a very serious one where a boy was hit on his bike. This was the reason why the STOP signs were put in there. Those residents were not happy at that time, but they seem happy now. He said we are just trying to do the right thing and are not trying to jam this down anyone's throat, and if it is not the thing to do, we won't do it.

Chief Marsh said these signs don't have to be all STOP signs, there can be yield signs. Dan Matteo spoke, did not go to the microphone, was inaudible. However, Supervisor Bloomfield suggested Mr. Matteo and Ms. Obremski work together with the Chief, and come back with a better plan. He felt there should be more residents of Hambletonian Park present to know their feelings.

Councilman Cappella made a Motion to keep the Public Hearing on STOP signs in Hambletonian Park open. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Lyons. Motion carried 4 to 0.

E. REPORTS:

COUNCILMAN LYONS reported for the Joint Recreation Commission: The last three weeks have been busy for the JRC Administration office with the onset of the Summer Recreation Camp. The camp got off to a great start, thanks to Camp Director Amanda Roddey. Registration is averaging approximately 85 campers per week and there are three weeks left.

Tennis, Basketball, Track Sports program is going well, this program is partially funded by grants from the Orange County Youth Bureau. Unfortunately, due to a lack of registration, the sports programs of Golf, Lacrosse, and Multi Sports, run by U.S. Sports Institute were all canceled.

Councilman Lyons continued with the Parks report: JRC has hired a new park staff. The five main parks, Craigville, Salesian, Lyons, Erie and Bruen require constant maintenance and repair work. There have been a fair amount of rentals of the Craigville Pavilion for the months of July and August. The Parks Staff will begin preparing fields at Craigville for the upcoming soccer season, and are busy repairing equipment in the various parks and the skateboard area is currently undergoing repairs.

JRC has organized a free concert at Salesian Park for this coming Saturday, July 24th at 7:00 p.m. a jazz rock instrumental group, refreshments will be sold during the event. This last week a modified version of the Tempest was performed on two occasions by the people from the library.

A thank you to Mr. John Mungo, a resident of Hambletonian Park, who donated a Flag which will be placed at Craigville Park.

COUNCILMAN CAPPELLA said he did not have much to report from Highway, but since he is a Commissioner for the Senior Center he would like to recognize and thank Nicholas Merenyi of Troop #66 who took it upon himself to make the Senior Center his project to re-mulch, and trim the whole center. Along with his parents and fellow Scout members, they did a great job and everything is mulched and trimmed. Councilman Cappella said not only did he do a beautiful job, but he managed to get the materials needed donated.

COUNCILMAN NEWBOLD said he had nothing to report, but would like to warn residents to conserve water. He said the hot, dry weather is supposed to continue so he would like to remind all residents to be alert to the use of water.

SUPERVISOR BLOOMFIELD reported the following: At the Monday night's Work Session the Board agreed he should write a letter to Mayor John Higgins, and Sewer Commissioner and Trustee Kyle Roddey, requesting that on behalf of the citizens of Goshen, both the Town and the Village, they reconsider their approach to resolving our dispute(2) and withdraw the Village's lawsuit. Lastly, he requested the village submit to arbitration as agreed to in our inter- municipal agreements(s). He said the letter was hand delivered on July 21, 2010.

1. OLD BUSINESS:

1. RESOLUTION TO DEFINE "STANDARD WORKDAY" FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS AS REQUESTED BY NYS BOARD OF PENSIONS:

Supervisor Bloomfield read the Resolution that is being requested by the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town of Goshen hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body.

Title Elected	Name	Standard Work Day	Term Dates	Time Keeping System	Days per month
Supervisor	Douglas Bloomfield	8 hrs.	1/1/10-12/31/11	N	20
Town Clerk	Valma Eisma	8 hrs.	1/1/10-12/31/11	Y	20
Town Board	Kenneth Newbold	8 hrs.	1/1/10-12/31/13	N	10
Highway Superintendent	Stephen Andryshak	8 hrs.	1/1/10-12/31/11	N	13.25
Town Justice	Kimberly VanHaaster	8 hrs.	1/1/07-1/31/10	N	12.06
Town Justice	Thomas Cione	8 hrs.	1/1/08-1/1/11	N	7.67

Councilman Cappella made a Motion to approve the Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Lyons. Motion carried 4 to 0, Councilman Canterino absent.

Date enacted: July 22, 2010

2. Resolution to Authorize the Supervisor to sign a Computer System Maintenance contract with Firth Cliffe Technologies, Inc.: Supervisor Bloomfield explained that this is the same computer system we have had for the last four years, but they have changed their name. He explained that the contract is basically the same as last year and the year before. Councilman Newbold made a Motion to Authorize the Supervisor to sign the contract with Firth Cliffe Technologies. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Lyons. Motion carried 4 to 0.

3. Resolution to Authorize the Assessor of the Town of Goshen to Undertake to implement a Revaluation for the 2012 Assessment Roll.

**TOWN OF GOSHEN
COUNTY OF ORANGE, STATE OF NEW YORK
RESOLUTION**

**AUTHORIZE ASSESSOR OF THE TOWN OF GOSHEN TO UNDERTAKE AND
IMPLEMENT A REVALUATION FOR THE 2010 ASSESSMENT ROLL**

Introduced by: Councilman George Lyons
Seconded by: Councilman Louis Cappella
Date of Adoption: July 22, 2010

WHEREAS, Section 305 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law mandates uniform and equitable assessments; and

WHEREAS, computer-assisted mass appraisal systems and technical advice are available by cooperative agreement with the New York State Office of Real Property Services; and

WHEREAS, the last revaluation of our real property took place in 1998, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board is convinced that a revaluation is necessary to comply with Section 305 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF GOSHEN, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the Assessor of the Town of Goshen is hereby authorized to undertake and implement a revaluation for the 2010 assessment roll.

SECTION 2. That the Town Board agrees, in conjunction with the New York State Office of Real Property Services, to support the Town's assessment staff in this revaluation.

SECTION 3. That the Town Board and the Assessor are authorized to enter into any necessary agreements to achieve this purpose. The Town Board must first approve any agreements resulting in expenditure by the Town of Goshen. Any agreement with a private contractor to provide services for this reassessment shall be entered into only upon review by the Town Counsel, the Assessor and a representative from the Office of Real Property Services.

This resolution shall take effect July, 22, 2010

Upon a Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Douglas Bloomfield	AYE	Councilman Louis Cappella	AYE
Councilman Kenneth Newbold	AYE	Councilman George Lyons	AYE
Councilman Philip Canterino	ABSENT		

Vote: This Resolution carried by a vote of 4 Ayes o Nays

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approve Annual Tour de Goshen: Supervisor Bloomfield explained that the Goshen Rotary requests approval every year for this annual race. He said the Route is the same as usual, and the race will be held on August 15, 2010. Councilman Newbold made a Motion to approve the annual Tour de Goshen to be run on August 15, 2010. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Lyons. Motion carried 4 to 0.

H. FINANCE: Councilman Newbold made a Motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Accounts Payable Check Run for July 22, 2010 amounting to \$100,402.68. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Cappella. Motion carried 4 to 0.

I. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:

Jerry Boss asked what formula was used to establish the Standard Workday for elected officials, and is it per month? Supervisor Bloomfield replied there are forms that each one of us has to fill out for three months stating when you are working on Town Business. He pointed out how some of the Councilmen work over and above on certain projects, Councilmen Cappella and Newbold negotiated the sewer contract, there are other meetings we sometimes have to attend, such as a Scout program, etc. on a Saturday or Sunday. The hours are for anytime we are doing Town Business.

Mr. Boss said he saw Lanc & Tully surveying what looks like the Maplewood site. He asked what the status of the project was. Supervisor Bloomfield asked Attorney Caplicki to answer Mr. Boss's question. Attorney Caplicki said he could not speak for the Planning Board, however he was under the impression they are in the process of taking this before the Planning Board. He said perhaps Lanc & Tully were out there making some revisions that might have been called for.

Joel Marovitz asked what was the time span for the Town to respond to the Village? Attorney Caplicki said twenty days. He asked if the law suit was on line? Attorney Caplicki replied it would not be found on line, although it is public record, and could be foiled for.

J. ADJOURNMENT: Councilman Lyons made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Cappella seconded the Motion. Motion carried 4 to 0.

Time: 10:00 p.m.

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