

A Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall located at 41 Webster Avenue, Village of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York.

Present:

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

Also Present: Dennis Caplicki, Town Attorney

**A. CALL TO ORDER:** Supervisor Bloomfield called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. AMMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA:** None

**C. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:** (agenda items only) no response

**D. OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Approval of Minutes:** Councilman Newbold moved to approve the Town Board Meeting of April 12, 2007 as corrected. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Lyons. Motion carried unanimously.

**E. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Meeting Changes:** Councilman Cappella made a motion to reschedule the June 18<sup>th</sup> work session to June 25<sup>th</sup> and the regular meeting of June 21 to June 28<sup>th</sup>, due to a conflict with the Planning Board. Motion seconded by Councilman Lyons. Motion carried 4 to 0. Councilman Canterino not present yet.

**F. FINANCE:**

Councilman Cappella made a Motion to authorize the Supervisor to Pay Voucher #07-00237 through Voucher & #07-00311. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Lyons. Motion carried 4 to 0.

**G. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:** Debra Corr addressed the Board in reference to the zoning and coding proposals. She referred to page four, 97.12C referring to multiple residences on one parcel, allowing up to three without subdividing. She has a family and would like to be able to build homes for them on her 104 acre farm. The Board explained under the new zoning she would have no problem building three additional homes,

providing water is available, and she could also be allowed to build housing for her farm workers.

The Board also explained flag lots to her and Nick Petraglia and why the Board would prefer not to allow them. Supervisor Bloomfield explained the flag lots seem to cause problems. Flag lots and development of farms by the family was discussed at length. The Board said they would review the two areas again.

Keith Roddey asked how much of a percentage on the tax bill would a resident be paying for Salesian? The Board discussed various figures and the fact that the Village is also paying half. Supervisor Bloomfield said he would consult the assessor.

There was a long discussion on the current status of Salesian and the problem of the fence. Councilman Cappella reported the Highway Department went in already and knocked down the barn, removed the old basketball pipes, they took down the smaller staircase leading to the school, another staircase was left, but they took away the old brick and possibly the old wiring. He said some time ago Highway went in and did the work that Architect Yarabek said would cost \$18,000 to \$20,000 to remove a raft and a stump, etc., thus saving the Town approximately \$17,000. Supervisor Bloomfield said he has been talking to the Village Board about taking down the fence, storing it in the Highway Department and working on it, whatever has to be done, during the winter and then putting it back up.

Ms. Corr suggested having a volunteer day at the park to help get it ready. She suggested bringing in the public to raise funds, etc.

There was again the mention of a transfer tax to cover some of the cost of Salesian Park, and the fact it was never taken to the legislation as it has too much opposition. Attorney Caplicki said the Board has a right to create the transfer tax, however, the Board feels it would prefer to do a public referendum to obtain the public's feeling on the tax.

The status of the Community Development Grant was discussed. The Board decided there was really nothing the Town has that can meet the requirements needed for the grant. However, the Village has a perfect situation with the flooding that took place on Greenwich Avenue during the last storm. It was suggested the Town could apply with the Village in a joint request.

Supervisor Bloomfield reported the Board and the Assessor are still working on settling the tax certs. Councilman Newbold said he felt he and the Board should have the right to vote on all the tax certioraris that are being settled. Attorney Caplicki said he and the

Board would be able to review them. There was an extensive discussion on how property is assessed and how so many tax certs come about and how the assessment of property must be accurate.

Councilman Canterino reported there is a diesel fuel tank at Craigville Park and has been there for some time. Councilman Newbold said he was not aware it was there. Also he said the truck that is at the park is the one sold to Joint Recreation from the Highway Department.

After the Board discussed various subjects with the public, no decisions or movements made, Councilman Lyons moved to adjourn the meeting, the Motion was seconded by Councilman Cappella. Motion carried unanimously.

Time: 8:50 p.m.

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Valma Eisma, Town Clerk