

A Regular Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 15th day of December 2005 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:

Honey Bernstein	Supervisor	Kenneth Newbold	Councilman
Douglas Bloomfield	Councilman	Louis Cappella	Councilman
Richard Roberts	Councilman		

Also Present: John Cappella and Rick Golden, Town Attorneys

A. CALL TO ORDER

Supervisor Bernstein called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with Supervisor Elect Bloomfield leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

B. AMMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA

Councilman Newbold made a Motion to reopen the issue of the Trail Map. Motion was seconded by Supervisor Bernstein. Motion carried 4 to 1. Supervisor Bernstein placed it as number nine on the agenda.

C. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

George Lyons questioned the Inter Municipal Agreement with the Village saying he did not like negotiating for open space. He also questioned the ten year time span. He said he would like it taken off the Agenda.

Doris Bialas: (In reference to number 1 on agenda, Insurance Contract) Will this contract cover ATVs?

Roger King: I am in favor of the trails, I would like to see children on bicycles. Out of 1,000 students, only one rides a bike. 400 students live within three miles of the school. A nice wide bike path along the road would encourage more kids to ride their bikes. It would help when 15% of our children are obese. Such a trail would benefit everyone.

Susan Cleaver: The primary reason for the trails originally was about air quality, to reduce emissions from all the car traffic. There are developments before the Boards with approximately 2,000 new homes. With those homes come approximately 14,000 cars. Trails will help get people out of cars. The Planning Board has not been dealing for trails, though it is our right to do so. The Trails are a low cost to maintain along the side of the roads. This whole thing has gone off course. I ask you to adopt this map, it is a vision. If the trails begin to cost money you can make the changes or stop the trails completely.

Debbie Marrone: I would suggest you revote, the committee has been working hard for a year, what is the hesitation? Crime has gone down and people are walking and we should utilize the million dollar grant.

Mary Israelski: The Trail maps requires not financial commitment from this Board. Our own planner Graham Trelstad has approved the map. There should be no further delay. It is the Town Boards responsibility to revote.

Doris Bialas: Councilman Newbold should not be allowed to vote on this matter since he was on the Trail Committee and been in favor of trails all along. I believe this is a conflict of interest.

Keith Roddey: I think trails are a wonderful idea. He said he found a wonderful trail system that is working well for all. Children are walking and biking to school, it is shared by everyone and does not have to be policed. It is located in Goshen, Indiana.

Jessica Corr: I grew up here and it was a great benefit to be able to walk to school on a trail. Those half hour walks in the morning proved to have good side affects. I know of wonderful trails all over the country and they are great economic focal points. We equestrians are looked on as elitist, we just like fresh air. I hope the map will be revised and available to all users.

Beverly Jappen: I would just like to reiterate what I said at the last meeting. This is state funding and John Gebhardt, from the Orange County Land Trust stated he had funds to help. Bickering with one another on this could cost us a wonderful opportunity. Approve the concept and get it started.

Kay Myruski: I have a working farm. I am very much against people riding horses on my property. It is very easy to be in favor of the trail when they are not running through your property. We may be looked upon as nay sayers, but we have some very valid concerns. I will have to look at people going through my property every day. If you adopt that map the trail will be running right through the front section of our farm. I don't want this and if you adopt this map, somewhere along the way it will be done and we won't have any control. I have asked before to be taken off the map, I know sections of the black dirt have been removed.

Karen Corr: There is nothing for kids to do in Goshen. The trails will give them something to do and keep them out of trouble. Give them a place to walk and meet their friends. Kids hang around when they don't have anything else to do.

Steve Esposito: I can say from a practical standpoint, being one of the founding members of Orange Catholics, when the Heritage Trail began in 1998, the first step of the trail was constructed in the Town of Goshen. The second section of the trail was also in Goshen. The Boards at that time supported the trails. Mr. Esposito told the history of the trail as it went from Goshen to Monroe and the hope that it will continue to go further. He stated this is over a ten year period. Graham Skea, head of Orange County Parks and

Recreation has said the Heritage Trail is the most successful recreational facility the County has done in his tenure. This Board, in the past, has had great vision in planning the Comprehensive Plan and Open Space, etc. This map is just connected with dots, you are not going to build these trails today or tomorrow, but if you don't start planning, you will never have a chance.

Doris Bialas: I notice that all Boards have the same problem. When something gets in the rule, it seems awfully hard to get it out. This map has the black dirt in it and you have Kay's farm in it. We don't want you out by us, you don't know how to treat farms, it would devastate us. We don't want any trails out there. Change the map, get rid of that stuff.

D. REPORTS

Supervisor Bernstein asked if anyone would like to make a report.

Councilman Newbold stated in lieu of reports, since this is the last meeting for Mr. Roberts and Ms. Bernstein. I would just like to say it has been a pleasure working with both of them. I think Mr. Roberts has been a wonderful asset to this community. He has brought a lot of common sense to this board. Dick has been a pleasure.

Ms. Bernstein and I have ups and we have had downs. I must say that Ms. Bernstein has brought vision to this board. I have been coming to Town Board meetings for twenty years, this supervisor has brought many, many innovative ideas to this town. This town is going to miss this young lady.

Councilman Cappella: I had a chance to speak to Honey today I wished her well and thanked her very much for everything. She is a very bright lady and I have learned a lot sitting almost next to her. It has been a privilege and an honor working with her. It is a tough job sitting up here and sometimes Honey and I have not seen eye to eye. But, that is good as it brings balance to the board. It is a thankless job and she did a great job. I want to thank you and I know wherever you go you will be successful.

It was nice serving with Richard and I will miss him. I hate to see him go for a lot of reasons. He should have spoken out more. He knows so much about infrastructure, building, etc. and is a very bright man. I will miss you, but I know when you retire next year I'll be seeing you a lot more.

Councilman Bloomfield: I don't want to repeat every thing every one else has said. During my career in private enterprise, we looked for strategic planners like Honey. There is a whole spectrum of people and they are the kind of possibility thinkers. Honey is a possibility thinker. When I think back to the transfer tax and trying to get that through, that was a long, long time ago. That would have been a great thing, had it moved along. The purchase of development rights and it goes on and on. She is on that end of the spectrum, trying to pull us along. Dick is one of those people, who if you have to be on an island for the rest of your life by yourself and had to pick someone to be on

the island with you, Dick is at the other end of the spectrum. He can fix any thing, he knows about how to fix things. He is very pragmatic, great with labor relations, etc. and so he is the one filling out the checkbook and Honey is the one signing the checks. It has been great to have both on the same board. We are going to miss you both. I would like to say it is a tough job. There are probably forty of you here tonight and we try to represent you, but there are 14,000 out there that we also represent. It's a tough job, but we take our best shot at it. We will miss you both very much.

Supervisor Bernstein: Since I became Supervisor in 2002, at the reorganization meeting in January, we always announced our goals for the year. We did this to keep ourselves focused and also that you could hold us accountable. We did this so that at the end of the year we could say accomplished these goals and these we didn't and why not, so you could judge us by our actions for the year. In 2005 our goals were developing an affordable housing policy, that has been done. We had a goal of Open Space preservation which has not been done yet, but it is in the works. We talked of water district improvement, that too we are working on. We talked of the Scotchtown Water District, we wanted to help them, they didn't want us. Now it seems they might be coming back to say please take us over. We wanted to institute a purchase order system, for better accountability among our different departments. We did begin it in the Police and Highway Departments. We wanted to connect phase one of the Salesian development, that also has been done. We did an inventory of our physical assets, it's done. We wanted to improve inter and intra Board communications, I think our intra communications are fine, but I think there is more work to be done on the inter Board communications.

I thought it would be fun to see what the goals were in years past. In 2004: Public outreach, infrastructure partnerships with other municipalities. We have signed agreements with the Village of Goshen, the County, Wawayanda, Wallkill and the City of Middletown to work together to bring infrastructure down Route 17M. We wanted to focus on land use, develop the Salesian master plan, focus on our finances, there is still work to be done there, and to continue our work in the water/sewer districts.

2003: Adopt the Master Plan and Zoning Code, preserve open space, finalize Northern Recycling issues, all have been done. Continue to improve water districts and finance, to have all departments be reviewed. Continue to improve employee relations and adopt a road improvement plan. All of which we have done.

2002: This is really funny, we wanted to adopt a Master Plan and Zoning Code, we wanted to update our Employees' Manual, which we did. Northern Recycling took two years and we wanted to hook the Humane Society up to a sewer line, that took a long time. We wanted to hook up Craigville to the Village sewer line, which has been done. Other things were to increase grant revenue, hold regular meeting with water & sewer districts, install new water meters, all have been done.

Supervisor Bernstein said the things remaining that need to be finished are PDR, appraisals have come in on several parcels. The completion of Salesian Park and school

building, continue to improve the infrastructure of Hambletonian Park and Arcadia. Also we need to include a number of things into our code such as the farm friendly recommendations from Ag & Market, side walk and street specs, etc.

Supervisor Bernstein stated that all of the accomplishments were not done by one person alone, but the entire Board. She thanked Councilman Roberts for all the hard work he has done over the past two years, saying he did a great job. She wished the Board good luck in the future years.

Councilman Roberts thanked everyone for their best wishes. He said when he came here he kept a low profile, feeling he really didn't want to interfere with day to day operations. He said I do not think that is what Boards are for. I was a part of all the things the Supervisor mentioned the Board has accomplished and the most important thing I take with me, is that I have a better appreciation for the Town of Goshen and the people in it. I am happy that I have seen all that has happened over these last four years. "It has been a privilege to serve, I will never forget it, I'm a better person for it and I thank you.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Trail Map

Supervisor Bernstein stated there has been a lot of misinformation flying around in reference the Trail Map. She said she would like to go through it so that everyone would know all the facts. She explained we have a zoning code that mandates fifty percent open space, mandates affordable housing and mandates other things in places where we felt it was constitutionally permissible. In some areas, we said Mr. Developer if you do certain things for us, that we find to be important and of value to the Community, such as affordable housing or trails, we would pay them by giving them extra lots. Of course these lots can only be given if the developer has water. If there is no water there can be no extra lots. Supervisor Bernstein continued saying that after the moratorium ended the Planning Board came to the Town Board saying we have developers that want to give you trails, but we don't know where you want them. The Planning Board asked for a trail map, thus we appointed a Trail Map Committee. The Committee was composed of people who were elected or appointed by the Town. It was felt this was the most expedient way of getting the job done. This gives the Planning Board an opportunity to negotiate with a developer, if the land is in the right area for trails, to arrange for easements for future trails. Trails may not be possible in some areas for many reasons, but make work in other areas. The Supervisor explained that by approving the map and the concept it does not necessarily mean all of these trails will ever be built, and the Board will have the power to control what is built and what is not. This is just a plan and can be changed or discarded at any time. However, now is the time to obtain the easements, if we don't, there will be no land to negotiate for later.

Councilman Newbold made a Motion to revote to approve the Trail Map. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Roberts. The Supervisor called for discussion. Councilman Bloomfield asked if the Town Clerk had published the minutes of the Public

Hearing. She replied no. Councilman Bloomfield stated right from the beginning of the Trail Map he had asked what would the cost per mile for maintenance of the trails be annually. He said he looked into the Heritage Trail and found the cost to be \$230,000.00 to build one mile of asphalt trail. If you spend a million dollars or two million dollars, there is an annual cost associated with that. He said when he and his wife went to Ireland they walked the trails and there are people out there constantly maintaining those trails. There is an annual cost and I have not had an answer. I asked the Trail Map Committee to work with our planner to find the optimum number miles of trails for a Town our size. I have not had answers, but was told we would get answers.

Councilman Bloomfield continued saying at the Public Hearing he heard the Trail Committee speak for the Trail Map. He heard others that did not want the trail in our yard, on our property, another group stated we can't afford the cost. I chaired the Budget Hearing and heard the public's cry about taxes and I heard it when I went out to get elected, taxes was the number one issue. He said the third group was the equestrians, they say they were excluded from this. Councilman Bloomfield said he was all for trails, but he voted against this map at the earlier meeting, hoping to give it to the Town Planner for "more meat on the bones". We had a quorum that evening, we voted on it, it did not pass. Ms. Bernstein does not have access to the minutes from the Public Hearing. I don't know how she can vote on this without hearing the things the people said at the Public Hearing. He explained the cost of principal and interest on borrowed money on the Salesian property and what the money for the trails entail. He listed all the upcoming expenses that will be on the table in the up coming year and their impact on taxes. When this Board deals with finances in the coming year, we need to know where this money is going. Right now the plan is too big, too open and we need more information and it does not represent the people of this community. We had a Public Hearing that night, we voted that night and when other people have been absent from a meeting we never re-voted on anything.

Councilman Newbold said approving the Map costs nothing and he would not be in favor of the trail map costing the public any money whatsoever. He said this is a unique situation where the trail vote ended in a 2 to 2 tie and Supervisor Bernstein was not present. He felt a re-vote was not unusual under these circumstances and that is why he made his Motion.

Councilman Cappella said he was glad that Supervisor Bernstein explained the grant application. He said he had the three applications that Susan Cleaver made and he can see now how trail one, two and three can be done and connected with the one million dollars and he thinks it is a great idea. Councilman Cappella said he wanted to correct the aspect that the Board was leaving money on the table as this section can be done without approving the Trail Map. He said there are people who do not want to be on the map, take them off. Councilman Cappella went on to say: The Planning Board has the right to give density for trails, perhaps they haven't done it yet, but they have the right to do so. I am against giving density away, as many people here tonight are for open space. The petition for the trails stated it was for traffic, protect our heritage, protect our water, if we give away density, we are not protecting that. You can't have it both ways, if you

haven't given the density away, you can and if you do, those extra houses will have an impact on the community. We have to think clearly to be sure this works right.

Councilman Roberts: I am an advocate of the trail system from day one. I don't think the map has any thing to do with the actual trail system. The trails will evolve as we go down the road and the community grows. I think the map is just a concept to give people an idea, such as we will build a library and you draw a picture so you know what I'm talking about. I feel the map is just a concept. I have lived here a long time and one of the most delightful things we have around here is the Heritage Trail. I would like to see more trails. I don't see any threat here and I don't think we are doing anything wrong.

Supervisor Bernstein called the vote on the Motion. Councilman Newbold made a Motion to accept the Trail Map, the Motion was seconded by Councilman Roberts. Motion carried 3 to 2.

Councilman Newbold made a Motion to go into Executive Session, with intent to return, to discuss pending litigation. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Cappella. Motion carried unanimously.

Time: 8:45 p.m.

Supervisor Bernstein called the meeting back to order at 9:00 p.m.

2. Dickerson & Meany Insurance Contract

TOWN OF GOSHEN County of Orange, State of New York

AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO APPROVE SELECTIVE INSURANCE AS PROVIDER FOR 2006

Introduced by: Councilman Kenneth Newbold
Seconded by: Councilman Douglas Bloomfield
Date of Adoption: December 13, 2005

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined through a comparison study of premiums dated December 6, 2005 (attached herto) that it is in the best interest of the Town to authorize the Town Supervisor to approve Selective Insurance as the Town's insurance provider for 2006.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Town Supervisor is authorized to approve Selective Insurance as the Town's insurance provider for 2006.

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

3. Subdivision Regs Approval

Supervisor Bernstein stated the Negative Declaration was accepted at a prior meeting and determined not to have a negative effect on the environment.

TOWN OF GOSHEN
County of Orange, State of New York

Resolution of Adoption

SUBDIVISION OF LAND LOCAL LAW

Introduced by: Councilman Kenneth Newbold
Seconded by: Councilman Richard Roberts
Date of Adoption: December 15, 2005

WHEREAS, an introductory Local Law entitled “Subdivision of Land Local Law” be and it was hereby introduced before the Town Board of the Town of Goshen on July 28, 2005, and upon notice duly published and posted, a hearing was held on August 25, 2005 before the Town Board; and

WHEREAS, public discussion was heard at such hearing concerning the merits and environmental significance of said introductory local law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the adoption o the introductory Local Law entitled “Subdivision of Land Local Law” is hereby determined not to have a significant effect on the environment.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the introductory Local Law entitled “Subdivision of Land Local Law’ of the Town of Goshen be and hereby is adopted as Local Law #13 of the Town of Goshen on December 15, 2005.

Upon roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Bernstein	AYE	Councilman Roberts	AYE
Councilman Newbold	AYE	Councilman Bloomfield	AYE
Councilman Cappella	AYE		

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

4. Foremost Business Machines Contract

**TOWN OF GOSHEN
County of Orange, State of New York**

**RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF A
COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY SUPPORT CONTRACT WITH
FOREMOST BUSINESSS MACHINES**

Introduced by: Councilman Douglas Bloomfield
Seconded by: Councilman Richard Roberts
Date of Adoption: December 15, 2005

WHEREAS, the Town of Goshen offices requires network and computer technology support; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Goshen has received a computer technology proposal dated September 30, 2005, from Foremost Business Machines, Inc. to provide the necessary support at an annual rate not to exceed \$6,745.00.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Goshen hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign the attached computer technology proposal dated September 30, 2005, from Foremost Business Machines, Inc. to provide the necessary network and computer technology support to the Town of Goshen in the annual rate not to exceed \$6,745.00.

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

5. Hudson & Pacific Design Requests for Bid Approvals for Fencing, Lighting & Fountain at Salesian Park

**TOWN OF GOSHEN
County of Orange, State of New York**

RESOLUTION

**AUTHORIZING AWARDING BID
FOR SALESIAN PROPERTY
CHAIN LINK SAFETY FENCING**

Introduced by: Councilman Kenneth Newbold
Seconded by: Councilman Richard Roberts
Date of adoption: December 15, 2005

WHEREAS, the Town Board in furtherance of its procurement policy has solicited bids for the Salesian Property chain link safety fencing; and

WHEREAS, the Town has received properly prepared bids for the work proposed; and

WHEREAS, the low bidder was Premier Fence of Washingtonville, New York, with a bid of \$21,833.00; and

WHEREAS, the Town in conjunction with the Town Engineering Consultant have reviewed the proposal and have checked references and determined that Premier Fence is a qualified bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That the Town Board of the Town of Goshen hereby awards the bid for the Salesian Property chain link safety fencing to Premier Fence of Washingtonville, New York in the bid amount of \$21,833.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That the Town Supervisor is authorized to execute any contracts or agreements necessary to commence the installation of the chain link safety fencing around both the former School Building and the Wooden Tower.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That the cost of the work authorized herein shall be shared equally between the Town and Village.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That the total cost of the installation of the chain link safety fencing around both the former School Building and the wooden Tower shall not exceed the amount of \$21,833.00, without separate or new authorization from this Town Board and the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Goshen.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Bernstein	AYE	Councilman Newbold	AYE
Councilman Roberts	AYE	Councilman Bloomfield	AYE
Councilman Cappella	AYE		

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

**TOWN OF GOSHEN
County of Orange, State of New York**

RESOLUTION

**AUTHORIZING AWARDING BID
FOR SALESIAN
FOR SITE LIGHTING, POLES AND FIXTURES**

Introduced by: Councilman Richard Roberts
Seconded by: Councilman Douglas Bloomfield]
Date of Adoption: December 15, 2005

WHEREAS, the Town Board in furtherance of its procurement policy has solicited bids for the Salesian for site lighting, poles and fixtures: and

WHEREAS, the Town has received properly prepared bids for the work proposed; and

WHEREAS, the low bidder was Mel Northey Co., Inc. of Houston, Texas, with a bid of \$28,390.25; and

WHEREAS, the Town in conjunction with the Town Engineering Consultant have reviewed the proposal and have checked references and determined that Mel Northey Co., Inc. is a qualified bidder; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

That the Town Board of the Town of Goshen hereby awards the bid for the Salesian bronze fountain centerpiece, site lighting, poles and fixtures to Mel Northey C. Inc. of Houston, Texas in the bid amount of \$28,390.25.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That the Town Supervisor is authorized to execute any contracts or agreements necessary to purchase the site lighting, Poles and fixtures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That the cost of the work authorized herein shall be shared equally between the Town and Village.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED

That the total cost of the site lighting, poles and fixtures shall not exceed the amount of \$28,390.25, without separate or new authorization from this Town Board and the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Goshen.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Bernstein	AYE	Councilman Newbold	AYE
Councilman Roberts	AYE	Councilman Bloomfield	AYE
Councilman Cappella	AYE		

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

6. IMA with Village – Authorize Supervisor to sign.

Supervisor Bernstein explained the agreement stating if there was a developer who is in a hamlet and has water, as this agreement is for sewer only, the developer may be able to hook into the Village sewer line. The developer will then pay the village the amount he would be paying to build his own sewer plant, thus off setting the cost of the repairs to the existing sewer system to the taxpayer.

Councilman Newbold made a Motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Inter-Municipal agreement with the Village. The Motion was seconded by Supervisor Bernstein. Councilman Cappella stated he had questions about the way the agreement was written and said it is more for the Village and less for the Town. He also stated he thought ten years was too long. He said he felt it should be evaluated further, perhaps with the planner. Councilman Cappella said it would encourage density and go against the Board's open space plan. Also he felt the amount to be paid to the Village was not clear.

Councilman Roberts said he respected Councilman Cappella's concerns and felt if Councilman Cappella was uncomfortable with it the Board should wait until the Councilman had his answers.

Councilman Bloomfield stated he was concerned with how the developer would be paying the Village. Would they be paying a large amount up front for the privilege of hooking in addition to what the individual homeowners will pay over the next thirty years. I have no objection to taking another month to review this and possibly talk with our planner.

After lengthy discussion between the Board and the Attorney, Councilman Cappella made a Motion to table the previous Motion. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Bloomfield. Supervisor Bernstein called for a vote on the first Motion to authorize the Supervisor to sign the IMA with the Village. Vote: 2 AYES and 3 Nays. Motion not carried.

7. IMA with County – Authorize Supervisor to Sign

Supervisor Bernstein explained that this is an inter-municipal agreement for shared services regarding the County wide Law Records Management System. Councilman Roberts made a Motion to authorize the Supervisor to Sign the IMA with the County. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Newbold. Motion carried 5 to 0.

TOWN OF GOSHEN County of Orange, State of New York

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY FOR SHARED SERVICES

Introduced by: Councilman Richard Roberts
Seconded by: Councilman Kenneth Newbold
Date of Adoption: December 15, 2005

WHEREAS, the Town of Goshen has received an Inter-Municipal Agreement from the County of Orange for Shared Services regarding the County wide Law Records Management Program.

WHEREAS, the Town of Goshen Town Board agrees that it would be in their best interest to enter into the Inter-Municipal Agreement for Countywide Law Records Management Program as reviewed by our attorneys.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Goshen hereby authorizes the Supervisor to sign the attached Inter-Municipal Agreement for Countywide Law Records Management Program.

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

8. Salesian Park Phase I Bond Approval

Supervisor Bernstein stated this was a bond passed at an earlier meeting, however the Newspaper made an error in the date of publication. Therefore, the process would have to begin all over. Councilman Roberts made a Motion to accept the Resolution as presented. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Newbold. Motion carried unanimously. See file for complete text of Resolution.

9. Annexation Meeting with the Village of Florida – Set Date for 1/12/2006

Councilman Bloomfield explained a petition has been filed to annex a parcel of land located in the Town of Goshen to the Village of Florida. This would require a combined Public Hearing where the Town Board would meet with the Village of Florida's Mayor and Board of Trustees to hear the comments from the public. Councilman Bloomfield made a Motion to set the Public Hearing on the annexation for January 12, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Roberts. Motion carried 4 to 0 with Supervisor Bernstein abstaining.

10. OFFER OF DEDICATION FOR COLONIAL DRIVE AND CHESTNUT LANE

Supervisor Bernstein reported an Offer of Dedication for Colonial Drive and Chestnut Lane located in Sawyer's Peak has come before the Board for acceptance. Councilman Bloomfield made a Motion to accept the Offer of Dedication of Colonial Drive and Chestnut Lane providing certain conditions are met. That the Highway

Superintendent and the Town Engineer submit written reports that both roads meet the Town's specifications and all legal requirements for dedication are met in the opinion of special counsel. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Roberts. Motion carried unanimously.

F. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Budget Officer Requests

- a. Authorize Budget Officer to Transfer Excess Money to (DA) Highway Fund**

**TOWN OF GOSHEN
County of Orange, State of New York**

**RESOLUTION
BUDGET TRANSFER
TO (DA) HIGHWAY FUND**

Introduced by: Councilman Louis Cappella
Seconded by: Councilman Douglas Bloomfield
Date of Adoption: December 15, 2005

WHEREAS, a transfer of budget monies from the General Fund to (DA) Highway Fund has been requested by Bill Standish, Budget Officer of the Town of Goshen; and

WHEREAS, there is an excess of \$70,000 in the General Fund (A) from mortgage tax revenue received in 2005, and the transfer will offset the continuing high costs of salt and sand purchases which continue to run higher than originally projected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Town Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the Town to transfer the \$70,000 in the General Fund (A) from mortgage tax revenue received in 2005 to the (DA) Highway Fund to offset the continuing high costs of salt and sand purchases as provided in the Memorandum dated December 15, 2005, to the Town Board from Bill Standish, Budget Officer for the Town of Goshen.

On a vote of 5 to 0, the Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

- b. Authorize Budget Officer to Make Miscellaneous Year-end Transfers**

TOWN OF GOSHEN
County of Orange, State of New York

RESOLUTION
MISC. YEAR END BUDGET TRANSFERS

Introduced by: Councilman Bloomfield
Seconded by: Councilman Newbold
Date of Adoption: December 15, 2005

WHEREAS, a transfer miscellaneous year end budget transfers has been requested by Bill Standish, Budget Officer of the Town of Goshen; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED.

That the Town Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the Town to make the year-end budget transfers as outlined in the attached Memorandum dated December 12, 2005, from Bill Standish, Budget Officer for the Town of Goshen.

On a vote of 5 to 0, the Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

c. Authorize Budget Officer to Attend Conference

TOWN OF GOSHEN
County of Orange, State of New York

RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING BUDGET OFFICER
TO ATTEND SEMINAR

Introduced by: Supervisor Honey Bernstein
Seconded by: Councilman Douglas Bloomfield
Date of Adoption: December 15, 2005

WHEREAS, the Budget Officer, Bill Standish, has requested authorization to attend the Association of Towns Annual Meeting being held from February 19, 2006 through February 22, 2006 in New York City at a lodging cost of 240.00 per night plus transportation and registration costs; and

WHEREAS, the Town Board has determined that it is in the best interest to authorize said attendance at said seminar as set forth and discussed on the attached Memorandum from Bill Standish dated December 12, 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Board hereby authorizes the Budget Officer, Bill Standish, to attend the Association of Towns annual Meeting to be held on February 19, 2006 through February 22, 2006, which the Town will cover the cost of registration and transportation and hotel costs for one night.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor Bernstein	AYE	Councilman Newbold	AYE
Councilman Roberts	AYE	Councilman Bloomfield	AYE
Councilman Cappella	AYE		

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

d. Authorize Budget Officer to Carry Over unused 2005 Vacation to 2006

**TOWN OF GOSHEN
County of Orange, State of New York**

**RESOLUTION
FOR BUDGET OFFICER TO
CARRYOVER UNUSED 2005 VACATION**

Introduced by: Councilman Richard Roberts
Seconded by: Councilman Newbold
Date of Adoption: December 15, 2005

WHEREAS, the Budget Officer, Bill Standish, has requested to carryover 40 hours of 2005 vacation time to 2006, as it is not feasible for him to take a week off at year end.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Town Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the Town to allow the Budget Officer, Bill Standish to carry over 40 hours of 2005 vacation time to 2006.

On a vote of 5 to 0 , the Supervisor declared the resolution adopted.

2. Establish Official Radio Station

Councilman Roberts made a Motion to allow the Town Clerk and the Supervisor's Secretary permission to contact and choose a radio station for important, emergency announcements and present it for the Reorganization Meeting to be held on January 3, 2006. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Newbold. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Pius X11 Request

TOWN OF GOSHEN
County of Orange, State of New York

RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING PIUS XII TO USE TOWN HALL
AS EMERGENCY EVACUATION CENTER

Introduced by: Councilman Kenneth Newbold
Seconded by: Councilman Richard Roberts
Date of Adoption: December 15, 2005

WHEREAS, the Town of Goshen offices has received a request from Pius Xii Early Learning Center to be able to be to use the Town of Goshen Town Hall as an emergency evacuation site.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Board of the Town of Goshen hereby authorized the Pius Xii Early Learning Center to use Town Hall as an Emergency Evacuation Center subject to the Town receiving an Indemnification Agreement releasing the Town of Goshen of any liability and providing insurance listing the Town of Goshen as additional insureds.

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

G. FINANCE

Councilman Richard Roberts made the Motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Voucher #2005-3014 to Voucher #2005-3266 amounting to \$287,127.62.

H. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Debbie Marone stated since there is an open space on the Board for this next year I would encourage the Board to look at the best candidate as opposed to, since the Board's majority is Republican, feeling that you have to choose a Republican. If you have to pick a Republican I would suggest you appoint Dick Roberts.

Doris Bialas said she was aware an appointment had to be made also and suggested since the voters had gone to the poles with four candidates perhaps the next person in line should be chosen since he did not lose by much. She also asked for a definition of a farm vehicle where weight limits are placed on a road. She asked about a milk truck. Attorney Cappella said he was sure there was a written definition, but he couldn't think of it at this time, but would find it for her.

Ralph Huddleston said as a resident of Goshen, he would like to thank Supervisor Bernstein for your remarkable record over the last four years.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Newbold made a Motion to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Cappella. Motion carried unanimously.

Time: 10:55 p.m.

Valma Eisma, Town Clerk

