

**TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION
FEBRUARY 20, 2007**

The Work Session Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 20th day of February 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	Philip Canterino	Councilman
George Lyons	Councilman	Louis Cappella	Councilman
Kenneth Newbold	Councilman		

Also Present: Dennis Caplicki, Town Attorney; Susan Cleaver, Planning Board Member; Neal Halloran, Building Inspector.

Supervisor Bloomfield called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Items Discussed:

1. Supervisor Bloomfield announced the two PDR farms that will be submitted to the County for this next round of selections. He explained they are contiguous to each other and are in the scenic overly. He said one is the Slesinski Farm and the other is the Tuthill Farm. After discussing the two parcels Supervisor Bloomfield made a Motion to authorize the Supervisor to submit the Richard Slesinski Farm and the Roger Tuthill Farm to the County for it's first PDR round for 2007. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Canterino. Motion carried 4 to 0 as Councilman Lyons will be arriving later due to a personal obligation.
2. Beazer Homes USA, Inc.: is presently constructing homes at Glenview Heights subdivision on Route 94 in the Town of Goshen and the Village of Goshen. Clifford Bell, Land Representative approached the Board. Mr. Bell explained he came to ask for a temporary detour of traffic from Route 94 to Durland Road so the installation of a sanitary sewer pipe can take place. The work to be done will take two to three months due to the presence of rock under the highway. He said if they can detour traffic, from nine to three, during the day using Durland Road to avoid this section of Route 94 it would greatly increase the speed at which the work can be completed. The contractor would like to start the project on April 1, 2007.

The Board discussed the project at length and is concerned for the safety of the residents along Durland Road. Councilman Cappella remarked Durland Road is very narrow and many times cars are driving over the center line. He felt it could not accommodate heavy traffic or heavy trucks. Several alternatives were suggested, keeping one lane open at all times as opposed to shutting down both lanes as the request is asking for. Supervisor Bloomfield suggested making a lane along side the existing road and Councilman Newbold a traffic light system. The Board would like to have a traffic count on Route 94. The Board agreed shutting the road down entirely is very unsafe and they would like to find some other solution. Mr. Bell will talk to the DOT about obtaining a traffic study and will contact the Town's Highway Superintendent with the results.

3. Supervisor Bloomfield/Councilman Newbold: Water Meter Installation Proposal For Scotchtown Park: Supervisor Bloomfield reported he would like it to be placed on the agenda for Thursday so that a Public Hearing can be set for March 22nd to put the project out to bid.
4. Traffic Mitigation Proposal for Burke School: Supervisor Bloomfield reported he received a number of letters from the Parent/Teacher Organization from Burke High School reporting traffic problems when parents drop their children off at school in the morning and afternoon. He reported the traffic study reported this section needs a four way stop sign. The Board reviewed the traffic study and discussed the fact that there is already one stop sign in place now and possibly two. The Board will set a Public Hearing on the installation of the number of stop signs needed for March 22nd.
5. Conservation Easement: Estate of John Dickerson: Postponed till further information can be obtained.
6. Water Protocol Change Proposals Status: Supervisor Bloomfield reported Attorney Caplicki would like to meet with Engineer Ron Gainer and Edward Garling, Planner, one more time before presenting the change proposal. Attorney Caplicki reported he is meeting with the Engineer and Planner on Thursday and may have a report for them on Thursday night. After reviewing the proposal a Public Hearing will be set.
7. Zoning Code Change Proposals: As it is time to review the Comprehensive Plan the Board discussed Heritage Estates and the amount of traffic all the new developments will bring. The Board discussed at length the demands on the water supply and traffic and what zoning can be put in place to handle all of this. They

discussed bonuses that are offered in the current Comprehensive Plan. The Board agreed there is a need for the Planning Board and the Town Board to work together. All types of construction such as hamlets, PACs, etc. were discussed. Councilman Cappella was particularly concerned about the PACs taking up any of the Commercial corridors, as he felt these areas need to be kept clear for the ratables the Town is trying to attract. Attorney Caplicki said the current Comprehensive Plan is too flexible for the Planning Board to have good control of the proposed plans in front of them and there is no infrastructure plan in place for the Boards to work with. These are some of the things that need to be addressed in the review. Supervisor Bloomfield said he felt the special use permit needs to be addressed and he would like the Board to have the final decision on the special use permit that deals with PACs or perhaps the developer would have to come before the Town Board first. Attorney Caplicki is working with the planner and the engineer on the review and will report back to the Board at the next work session.

8. Three Local Laws: 1. Wells; 2. Wetlands Water Course; 3 Stormwater. : Susan Cleaver, Planning Board member and Neal Halloran, Building Inspector joined the Board and presented them with three proposals for Local Laws. They had presented the Board with the three proposals previously, but they have been consulting various engineers and consultants and have fine tuned them so they are workable and are ready for the Board to consider them. Inspector Halloran stated he thinks they are ready for the Attorney to review them and perhaps a Public Hearing can be set. Attorney Caplicki explained the process of creating a new Local Law. Ms. Cleaver and Inspector Halloran gave an overview of the three laws and left them with the Board and attorney for their review.
9. Request from Building Inspector and Susan Cleaver to Attend Wetlands Delineation Training: The training is being offered by Rutgers University and will be held on June 14-15 at a cost of \$1,685.00 each. The request will be placed on Thursday's agenda.
10. SRO Agreement: This is for the agreement between our Police Department and BOCES to provide two officers to the BOCES school. May be placed on Thursday's agenda
11. Set Public Hearing for Stop Signs at Burke Intersection: Will be placed on Thursday's agenda.
12. Joint Recreation: Councilman Canterino reported the Commission is still

Considering the truck highway is taking off the road and is awaiting an opinion from BOCES to see if it can be repaired to pass inspection.

He also reported a project to put new dugouts in for the playing fields is being considered. It would be a combined effort on the part of Little League, the Girl Scouts and volunteers who would donate the supplies at cost. The Board discussed the possibility of using Capital Improvement money or Parkland Fees. Expanding the kitchen at Craigville Park was also discussed.

Councilman Lyons made a Motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a grievance. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Newbold. Motion carried unanimously.

Time: 10:15 p.m.

Valma Eisma, Town Clerk