

TOWN OF GOSHEN
TOWN BOARD WORK SESSION

April 10, 2017
M I N U T E S

A work session of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 10th day of April, 2017 at the Town Hall located at 41 Webster Avenue, Village of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York.

Present:	Douglas Bloomfield	Supervisor
	George Lyons	Councilmember
	Kenneth Newbold	Councilmember
	John VanDerMolen	Councilmember

Absent:	Melissa Gallo	Councilperson
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Also Present:	Richard Golden, Esq.	Attorney for the Town
	Priscilla Gersbeck	Town Clerk

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bloomfield at 7:32pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. DISCUSS AND APPROVE REQUEST BY THE GOSHEN HUMANE SOCIETY TO APPLY FOR A GRANT TO BUILD A FENCED IN YARD TO WALK DOGS.

The Goshen Humane Society is applying for a grant for a community fenced "yard" for dogs outside. A 50 X 50 X 50 X 50 square foot fenced in area is planned. The DPW and the Police Department support the concept.

Councilperson Lyons made the motion to authorize the Goshen Humane Society to apply for said grant. Councilperson Newbold seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT

2. REVIEW AND APPROVE HIRING KIRSTEN SANTANGELO AS PART-TIME DEPUTY CLERK, IN TRAINING, IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE EFFECTIVE APRIL 10, 2017.

Kirsten Santangelo has experience using the computer software program (BAS). In addition to her professional and administrative skills, she is fluent in Spanish. The demand for Spanish has increased as the general public has gotten more cosmopolitan.

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to approve hiring Kirsten Santangelo as part-time Deputy Clerk At a starting rate of \$18.43 per hour effective April 10, 2107. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE REQUEST BY DEPUTY CLERK MARY RISO TO ATTEND A FRED PRYOR SEMINAR IN HUMAN RESOURCES ON APRIL 26, 2017 PLUS ADDITIONAL SEMINARS FOR A TWELVE MONTH MEMBERSHIP AT A COST OF \$348.00.

The cost for the April 26, 2017 seminar is \$149.00. It is cost effective to apply for the Pryor Plus membership in the sum of \$199.00 that covers any additional seminars for a twelve month period for free. Another seminar on the Essentials of HR Law will be given in July.

Councilperson Van Der Molen made the motion to authorize Deputy Clerk Mary Riso to attend the Fred Pryor Seminar April 26, 2017 at a cost of \$149.00 and to approve the twelve month membership at an additional cost of \$199.00. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT

4. DISCUSS LEASING A COPIER REPLACEMENT FOR A PROPOSED FOUR-YEAR LEASE AT \$134.00 PER MONTH AND AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE SAME.

The Supervisor's office copier lease is up for renewal. The price of the new lease is \$12.49 less per month than the current lease for a 48 month savings of \$599.52.

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to effectuate the proposed four-year lease at \$134.00 per month. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT

5. DISCUSS AND PASS A DECLARATION OF SUPPORT FOR "MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH" FOR THE MONTH OF MAY. THE LOCAL GROUP REPRESENTING THE NATIONAL ALLIANCE OF MENTAL ILLNESS WILL BE PLACING RIBBONS THROUGHOUT THE TOWN AND VILLAGE AS WITH OTHER PROMOTIONAL ACTIVITIES.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) of Orange County "aims to improve the quality of life through support, education, and advocacy for individuals of all ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds who live with mental illness as well as for their families." Supervisor Bloomfield read the PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2017 AS "MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH" which will be posted on the Town website and sign board.

Councilperson Van Der Molen made the motion to declare the month of May 2017 as "Mental Health Awareness Month". Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT

6. DISCUSS AND APPROVE HIRING RALPH HUDDLESTON TO ASSIST NEAL HALLORAN IN MS4 ENFORCEMENT. A CURRENT NEED IS ON THE ADC MAPLEWOOD PROPERTY.

Recently an incident occurred on property owned by ADC Maplewood where heavy equipment was operating without any erosion and sediment control measures and an incomplete or missing habitat assessment. Previously Neal Halloran recused himself from all responsibilities on this site. Therefore, the Town has to appoint a person to replace Mr. Halloran for anything on this property.

Councilperson Van Der Molen made the motion to hire Ralph Huddleston to handle the MS4 and Floodplain administrative issues associated with ADC Maplewood. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT

7. DISCUSS AND PASS RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN OF GOSHEN INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO SIGN AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO INITIATE DISCUSSION FOR MVP MEDICAL COVERAGE FOR YEAR 9/1/2017 THRU 8/31/2018.

Councilperson Lyons made the motion to authorize the Town of Goshen insurance commissioner to initiate discussion for MVP medical coverage for the year 9-1-2017 thru 8-31-2018. Councilperson Newbold seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT

8. FINANCE:

Councilperson Van Der Molen made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Manual A/P runs as of 2/28/2017 amounting to \$7,905.70, Manual A/P runs as of 3/31/2017 amounting to \$16,610.38 and Accounts Payable check run as of 4/13/2017 amounting to \$216,315.13. Councilperson Newbold seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT

9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilperson Newbold made the motion, with one typo correction, to approve the work sessions of March 6, 2017 and March 20, 2017 and regular meetings of March 9, 2017 and March 23, 2017. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 4 AYES Bloomfield, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen
0 NAYS
1 ABSENT

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Councilperson Newbold recognized the passing of Judge Richard Gillette. He served Goshen for many years as a teacher and Judge.

Congratulations to the team members for winning the New York State Odyssey of the Mind tournament in Binghamton. In May they will compete in Michigan in the world finals tournament.

Councilperson Lyons announced Little League opening day will be held on April 22, 2017. The opening ceremonies will begin at 9:30am at Myron Urbanski Park.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the following:

1. DISCUSS REQUEST FOR A POTENTIAL INCREASE IN COMPENSATION TO PARTICULAR EMPLOYEES.
2. DISCUSS THE PURCHASE PRICE OF A PROPOSED SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, BECAUSE THE PUBLICITY OF THE POTENTIAL SALE PRICE WOULD SUBSTANTIALLY AFFECT THE VALUE OF THE PROPERTY IN NEGOTIATIONS FOR ITS SALE.

With the intent not to return. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Lyons. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:00PM

Priscilla Gersbeck, Town Clerk