

**GOSHEN
TOWN BOARD MEETING**

January 28, 2021

MINUTES

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 28th day of January, 2021 at the Town Hall located at 41 Webster Avenue, Village of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York via videoconference due to the recent Covid-19 pandemic.

Present:	Douglas Bloomfield	Supervisor
	Philip Canterino	Councilmember
	Richard Florio	Councilmember
	George Lyons	Councilmember
	Kenneth Newbold	Councilmember

Also Present:	Richard Golden Esq.	Attorney for the Town
	Sean Hoffman, P.E.	Town Engineer
	Bill Canavan	Town Hydrogeologist
	Priscilla Gersbeck	Town Clerk
	Christine Cavaliere	Budget Officer
	Mary Riso	Clerk to the Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER

Councilperson Canterino motioned to open the meeting at 7:30pm and was seconded by Councilperson Florio. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. Moment of silence for Steve Andryshak who died on January 19. Steve worked for the Town of Goshen as Highway Superintendent for 35 years.**

It was noted that he strove to do his best for Goshen.

- 2. Discuss possibility of using Bridle Path to travel to and from Section F of Hambletonian Park during clearing/grading and construction (see attached letter from Jim Ullrich).**

Currently the Bridle Path isn't used for anything and the Town has an easement through it.

Jim Ullrich, representing the applicant is requesting to use the Bridle Path for construction clearing only. If the Bridle Path will be needed for anything else in the future, he will return with that request.

Supervisor Bloomfield agreed the Bridle Path should be used only for construction vehicles. This will eliminate construction vehicles from damaging the roadways in Hambletonian Park.

Councilperson Newbold is concerned that the new water/sewer lines laid for Heritage Estates will be damaged by construction vehicles.

Sean Hoffman, P.E. commented the existing force main for Hambletonian Park is under the Bridal Path. The applicant will have to identify exactly where *all* of the pipes are located under the Bridal Path to flag and protect them.

Councilperson Lyons believes that a gate should be installed along with signs, to prohibit others from using the Bridal Path. He approves of using the Bridle Path for construction clearing and to see how it works out. Councilperson Canterino agreed to have a gate installed.

Attorney Golden noted this should be done by a license agreement to include insurance coverage to protect the underground pipes.

Councilperson Florio would like to see something on paper to cover damage to the Bridle Path caused by the clearing vehicles and perhaps restored to the way it is prior to using it for construction purposes.

Attorney Golden agreed to restore the path and to add item #4 for improvement.

Jim Ullrich is asking the Board to condition the license agreement with a time frame.

Councilperson Canterino made the motion to approve a license, revocable at will, by the Town to allow Fourteen Arthur Place LLC a temporary construction access into Part F of Hambletonian Park for heavy construction equipment only, that would be gated and locked and to flag and protect all utilities in the Bridle Path and have the appropriate insurance coverage. Councilperson Newbold seconded the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield AYE
Councilperson, Philip Canterino AYE
Councilperson, Rick Florio AYE

Councilperson, George Lyons AYE
Councilperson, Kenneth Newbold AYE

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

3. Hear Bill Canavan's report regarding the fecal/coliform ground water study of Hambletonian Park and surrounding areas and discuss recommendations with Bill and Town Engineer Sean Hoffman P.E.

Sean Hoffman P.E. introduced sampling results of fecal coliform from different locations taken in 2019 and 2020. Attached is a map showing the sampling locations.

Bill Canavan, President HydroEnvironmental Solutions, Inc. explained how he took five sets of surface water sampling and the locations. In summary, there are exceedances of fecal coliform in Hambletonian Park area stations and in areas not expected such as Station 11 (past Ward Rd). A final report will be delivered to the Board. He would like to do a dye test and possible camera study of the Hambletonian Park force main. Also to include in the report will be "housekeeping" management practices for drainage in the water shed and farming management practices. He wants to mainly focus in Hambletonian Park to make sure there are no leaks in the force main.

Sean Hoffman, P.E. pointed out that the highest level of fecal coliform was at Ward Rd. sample site. Another elevated level location was a sample taken at Knoell Rd. by the Black Meadow Creek Crossing. He is concerned with the locations along the length of the force main which is approximately 3,600 linear feet and would like to do a dye test. An estimate of \$5,000 would cover the dye test for two days. For the dye test, the first day field crews will walk the alignment of the force main to look for signs of leakage. On the second and third day, the dye will be introduced into the pump station. Again, a walk along the force main alignment will see if there is dyed water leaking through onto the soil. This test is a good way to evaluate the situation in a quick manner.

Bill Canavan will finalize the report and submit a final proposal to the Town Board.

Councilperson Lyons asked why there is such a big difference between the samples taken by Neal Halloran prior to 2019 and the samples taken in 2019 by Bill Canavan. This will be investigated.

4. **Information:** The OCDOH has approved the design of the Arcadia Hills Water supply tank and bid openings will be at 3:00PM on Thursday, February 4th (see letter of approval dated 1/15/21, from OCDOH).

As stated, for information only.

5. **Information:** The NYS Grant Administration (DASNY) has completed internal reviews for the \$100,000 grant request for the Arcadia Hills Water Supply tanks. However, additional guidance from the Comptroller's Office as to the availability of funds is needed.

As stated, for information only.

6. **Review and approve minutes of the 1/14/2021 virtual Town Board Meeting.**

Minutes are unavailable at this time.

7. **Information:** A zoom meeting is being requested by the Town with the NYSDEC regarding Tilcon's request for a permit renewal.

A tentative meeting has been set up for February 10th.

Sean Hoffman, P.E. noted the DEC (Lead Agency) has contacted the Town to set-up a meeting to discuss the Town's concerns.

8. **Councilperson Canterino: Update Town Board on status of the Salesian Building**

He phoned Mayor Nuzzolese of the Village of Goshen as to the Village's decision about the Salesian Building. The Village doesn't have the money budgeted for this project. He would like another meeting with the Village.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Review and approve a Town of Goshen Emergency Preparedness Plan for future community medical occurrences. This plan is required by Governor Cuomo's office. Once approved by the Town Board, a copy will be forwarded to both the CSEA and PBA for review. The final plan will be sent to the state no later than April 1, 2021.**

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to forward the prepared Town of Goshen Emergency Plan to be passed on as required by law to the Union for comments. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, George Lyons	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, Philip Canterino	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, Kenneth Newbold	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, Rick Florio	<u>AYE</u>		

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

2. **Information:** A long standing multi-state burglary spree was finally ended with arrest of a suspect.

As stated, for information only.

FINANCE:

1. Councilperson Canterino made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Accounts Payable check run on January 28, 2021 in the amount of \$278,946.11. Councilperson Newbold seconded the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, George Lyons	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, Philip Canterino	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, Kenneth Newbold	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, Rick Florio	<u>AYE</u>		

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

2. Councilperson Lyons made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Manual Workman's Comp run for \$455.11. Councilperson Florio seconded the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, George Lyons	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, Philip Canterino	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, Kenneth Newbold	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, Rick Florio	<u>AYE</u>		

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

3. Information: Budget Officer, Christine Cavaliere, conducted as accounts payable audit for 1/27/2021. (attached)

As stated, for information only.

After thoughts:

Councilperson Newbold received more complaints of over-weight vehicles traveling on Gate School House Rd., which is weight restricted. He will contact the State Police to see if they are able to place scales on the road.

Councilperson Lyons noted Gladys Bally passed away. She was the Town tax collector and active member in the Goshen Seniors club.

Secondly: The Senior Center is closed due to the COVID pandemic. He would like the Senior Center open for seniors to get their taxes done by AARP, free of charge. This will be looked into by the Center Coordinator.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Time: 8:40PM

Priscilla Gersbeck, Town Clerk