

**TOWN OF GOSHEN**  
**TOWN BOARD MEETING**

October 12, 2017  
MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Goshen was held on the 12th day of October, 2017 at the Town Hall located at 41 Webster Avenue, Village of Goshen, County of Orange, State of New York.

Present:	Douglas Bloomfield	Supervisor
	Melissa Gallo	Councilmember
	George Lyons	Councilmember
	Kenneth Newbold	Councilmember
	John Van Der Molen	Councilmember

Also Present:	Richard Golden, Esq.	Attorney for the Town
	Priscilla Gersbeck	Town Clerk

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Supervisor Bloomfield at 7:34pm, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. AMENDMENT TO THE AGENDA**

**C. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (agenda items only)**

**D. OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. REVIEW INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW NO.1 OF 2017 WHICH MODIFIES VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE TOWN OF GOSHEN CODE TO OMIT TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS AND TO AMEND PROVISIONS TO ENSURE CONSISTENCY AND CLARITY.**

Attorney Torre reviewed the first part of the above mentioned Local Law at our 10-10-17 Monday meeting. Dennis Lindsay, P.E. addressed the Board to review the second part pertaining to water protocols. He explained that the water testing protocols in our Town Code were appropriate with respect to community water supplies. However, with changes to subdivisions, below the threshold of 49 homes which do not require a community water supply, water testing protocols were written for a number of wells to be built and analyzed for sufficient water within the development. When the changes were published in our Code book, reference notes were published instead of the actual protocols. The changes in this Introductory Local Law *spell out* the water testing protocols for multiple lots with wells. Mr. Lindsay, P.E. reviewed minor changes within "B Protocols for Well Installation, Testing and Reporting – Community Water Supplies" which are updated. SEQRA documents will be prepared by the engineers at H2M. Attorney Golden will prepare the Environmental Assessment Form for review/adoption. Then a public hearing will be set.

**2. REVIEW TENTATIVE TOWN OF GOSHEN BUDGET FOR 2018 AND MAKE CHANGES IF NECESSARY. APPROVE THE TENTATIVE BUDGET AS THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET.**

Christine Cavaliere, Budget Officer, presented a budget summary for 2018.

VILLAGE TAX RATE DECREASE: -0.80%  
 TOWN TAX RATE DECREASE -0.01%  
 A FUND -1.33%  
 DA FUND 0.02%  
 B FUND -9.04%  
 DB FUND 6.24%

TAX LEVY INCREASE/(DECREASE):  
 A FUND -5,774  
 DA FUND 9,230  
 B FUND -94,962  
 DB FUND 106,566  
**TOTAL 15,060**

2018 Levy Limit \$5,397,636  
 2018 Proposed Levy \$5,197,028  
 Over (under) allowable Levy: \$ (200,608) (Under Tax Cap By This Amount)

**INCREASE/(DECREASE) PER FAIR MARKET VALUE:**

2018 AV=65% OF FMV				
2017 AV=65% OF FMV	\$150,000	\$200,000	\$300,000	\$400,000
VILLAGE \$	(1.95)	\$ (2.60)	\$ (3.90)	\$ (5.20)
TOWN \$	(0.05)	\$ (0.07)	\$ (0.11)	\$ (0.15)

VILLAGE TAX RATE: 2.4644 PER THOUSAND \$ ASSESSED VALUE  
 TOWN TAX RATE: 7.0087 PER THOUSAND \$ ASSESSED VALUE

OVERALL TAX RATE DECREASE: -0.01%  
 OVERALL TAX LEVY INCREASE: 0.87%  
 DOES NOT EXCEED NYS 1.84% TAX CAP

FUND BALANCES:	FUND BALANCE		
	2016	APPROPR. FOR 2017	12/31/2017
A	1,386,392	60,000	1,326,392
DA	257,042	0	257,042
B	1,570,091	210,000	1,360,091
DB	454,190	125,000	329,190

Councilperson Van Der Molen made the motion to approve the Tentative Budget as the Preliminary Budget.  
 Councilperson Gallo seconded the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

Supervisor, Douglas Bloomfield	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, Kenneth Newbold	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, George Lyons	<u>AYE</u>	Councilperson, John Van Der Molen	<u>AYE</u>
Councilperson, Melissa Gallo	<u>AYE</u>		

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

**E. NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR TOWN OF GOSHEN 2018 PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR NOVEMBER 9, 2017.**

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to set a public hearing for the Town of Goshen Preliminary Budget for November 9, 2017 at 7:30pm, or soon thereafter at 41 Webster Ave, Goshen NY. Councilperson Lyons seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen  
0 NAYS

**F. FINANCE:**

Councilperson Newbold made the motion to authorize the Supervisor to pay Accounts Payable check run for 9/28/2017 in the amount of \$182,758.16. Councilperson Gallo seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen  
0 NAYS

**G. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilperson Lyons made the motion to approve the work session minutes of September 11<sup>th</sup> to include the verbatim transcript subject to modifications by the Board and work session minutes of September 25<sup>th</sup>. Also the public hearing minutes of September 14<sup>th</sup> to include the verbatim transcript subject to modifications by the Board and regular meeting of September 28<sup>th</sup>. Councilperson Gallo seconded the motion.

On a Voice Vote, the motion passed: 5 AYES Bloomfield, Gallo, Lyons, Newbold, Van Der Molen  
0 NAYS

**H. PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**

None

**Councilperson Newbold** noted the passing of Jayne Wohl who was very active in the community, especially her involvement with Goshen In Bloom.

**I. ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilperson Van Der Molen made the motion to adjourn the meeting for an attorney client discussion. Councilperson Gallo seconded the motion. Motion carried.  
Meeting Adjourned 8:40PM.

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Priscilla Gersbeck, Town Clerk