

Village Board Meeting  
January 26, 2009

Members present: Mayor Weinberger, Trustees Bloom, Fast, Higgins, and Mattheus.

Also present: Attorney Donovan, Superintendent Nuzzolese, Chief Watt, and Village Clerk Strobl.

Mayor Weinberger called the meeting to order at 7:45 p.m.

Mayor Weinberger asked for a moment of silence to honor the memory of Theola Mann, recently deceased wife of DPW employee Jeff Mann.

Mayor Weinberger led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Trustee Mattheus, seconded by Trustee Higgins, the agenda was accepted as presented.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye

Mayor Weinberger offered privilege of the floor to speak to the agenda. There were no comments.

On a motion by Trustee Mattheus, seconded by Trustee Bloom, the Minutes of the January 5, 2009 Village Board Work Session were accepted as submitted.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye

On a motion by Trustee Higgins, seconded by Trustee Fast, the Minutes of the January 12, 2009 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	abstain (absent on 1/12/09)

#### Communications

Mayor Weinberger reviewed the following letter from resident Amy Curran:

*Dear Mr. Weinberger and Goshen Village Board,*

*I recently had to call on the assistance of the Building Inspector, Mr. Ted Lewis for some problems I was having here at ( - ) with the sewer line from my home going out to the street. The problem involved a contractor as well as the property management company. For many months I tried to reach out to different local and state agencies for assistance with this very frustrating problem and kept coming up against dead end streets and no where to turn for assistance in resolving this issue.*

*Mr. Lewis should be highly commended for taking the time to listen to the problem in its entirety and intervening on my behalf and taking the time to do his job in a very timely, efficient and effective manner.*

*It is with tremendous gratitude that I write this letter. Without his efforts and know how, I do not believe I would have managed to get this most important issue on the right road to getting taken care of.*

*Thank you again Mr. Lewis!*

Mayor Weinberger reviewed a letter from Eileen Dorian, President, David Sky, Inc., informing of the reapplication for a liquor license for the New Street Tavern.

On a motion by Trustee Higgins, seconded by Trustee Fast, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract 08/09, 24 and 25, numbers 33975 through 34023 in the amount of \$596,338.46, and numbers 34024 through 34057 in the amount of \$103,263.26, for a grand total of \$699,601.72.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye

#### Items of Business

#### Village Court Request – Petty Cash

On a motion by Trustee Higgins, seconded by Trustee Bloom, this issue was tabled until the next meeting.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye

***Upon the motion of Trustee Fast, seconded by Trustee Bloom, the following Resolution was moved and adopted:***

**WHEREAS**, J&J Sass Electric, Inc., has submitted a proposal to provide labor and material necessary to replace faulty hardware regarding the SCADA System at the Waste Water Treatment Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the said proposal has been reviewed by the Village Engineer, HDR, Engineering and Architecture, P.C., and found to be acceptable; and

**WHEREAS**, HDR recommends that the proposal be accepted;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is hereby

**RESOLVED**, that the Mayor is authorized to execute the proposal submitted by J&J Sass Electric, Inc., which proposal is annexed hereto and made part hereof thereby authorizing the work outlined in said proposal to be completed at a cost no greater than \$10,054.00; and it is further

**RESOLVED**, that said payment be made under protest and with a reservation of rights to allow the Village to pursue whatever rights, if any, it may have against any and all contractors, subcontractors, their agents and/or employees relative to any improper design and/or installation work in connection with this replacement of the faulty hardware.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye

#### Mayor/Trustee Comments

Mayor Weinberger announced that the following Boy Scouts from Troop 63 will be receiving the Eagle Scout Award on March 8, 2009: Robert Colin Crossley, Justin Lees, Ethan Henkler, and Evan Zane Earl Hammond. Trustees Bloom and Fast will attend the ceremony in the Mayor's stead.

Trustee Bloom reported the following recent activities of the Department of Public Works: crews repaired a 6" water main leak on Glen Drive, crews have been cold patching potholes, sign work is being done, weather permitting, and crews have remained busy plowing and salting.

Trustee Fast advised that she had met with HDR regarding the SCADA system at the treatment plant, which had led to the resolution passed this evening.

Trustee Fast noted that the first luncheon provided at the Senior Center had served approximately 70, and was deemed a success.

Trustee Higgins thanked village residents for all the calls, letters, and outreach his family had received following the recent airplane crash into the Hudson River, which his wife and mother-in-law survived.

Trustee Higgins reported the following statistics for the Police Department: since January 12<sup>th</sup> there have been 10 arrests, 78 uniform traffic tickets, 47 parking tickets issued, and 14 motor vehicle accidents investigated. He also reminded those present that holiday free parking in downtown metered spots is over and meters are back in effect and being enforced.

Trustee Mattheus reported that the reservoir is full, and that the winter conditions have made it difficult at the plant, and with water main breaks. She advised that it is important to not leave a house empty with no heat, as the DPW have recently been called to five locations to deal with broken and frozen pipe damage.

## Citizens' Comments

Comments were received from: Jerome Dally, Ray Rooney, Mary Ann Gerace, who was present with members of her Girl Scout Troop, 706, as a requirement toward their Silver Awards, and Neil Hickok.

On a motion by Trustee Higgins, seconded by Trustee Fast, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye