

Village Board Meeting  
March 22, 2010

Members present: Mayor Higgins, Trustees Char, Mattheus, Roddey, and Stewart.

Also present: Attorney Donovan, Chief Watt, Engineer Tully, and Village Clerk Strobl.

Mayor Higgins called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Roddey, the agenda was accepted with the addition of an Executive Session for discussion of collective negotiations.

Char	aye
Mattheus	aye
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye

On a motion by Trustee Mattheus, seconded by Trustee Stewart, the Minutes of the March 8, 2010 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Char	aye
Mattheus	aye
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye

#### Communications

Mayor Higgins read a letter from the Social Worker at the Goshen Intermediate School in which she expressed gratitude to Crossing Guard Brock for his assistance with a walking field trip on March 5<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Higgins asked that Chief Watt extend the Board's appreciation to Mr. Brock.

#### Items of Business

Mayor Higgins read the following Village of Goshen March 16, 2010 Election results:

For Trustee:

H. Malcolm Stewart III	354
Marcia B. Mattheus	290
Lynn A. Cione	267

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Roddey, the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign an agreement between the Village of Goshen and the Law Firm of Donoghue, Thomas, Auslander & Drohan, LLP, for the services of Labor Attorney Stuart S. Waxman, for the 2010/2011 fiscal year, at a fee of \$195.00 per hour.

Char	aye
Mattheus	aye
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye

Trustee Char moved the following, which was seconded by Trustee Stewart:

The Village Board of the Village of Goshen hereby schedules the Public Hearing on the proposed 2010/2011 budget for April 12, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as may be heard.

Char	aye
Mattheus	aye
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye

Mayor Higgins read a request from the NYC – Southern New York MS Society for a proposed fundraising walk, to be held April 17, 2010.

On a motion by Trustee Mattheus, seconded by Trustee Roddey, the proposed walk was approved, pending provision of the necessary insurance indemnification.

Char	aye
Mattheus	aye
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye

#### Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustee Roddey offered congratulations to Trustees Mattheus and Stewart for their re-elections. Trustee Roddey noted that things were running smoothly in the sewer department, and that Joint Recreation had recently held a very productive meeting with the Goshen Schools Superintendent.

Trustee Char reported that the March 14<sup>th</sup> St. Patrick's Day Parade went smoothly, despite rainy weather. Trustee Char also announced a free child protective seat installation event to be held April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Further information is on the Village website ([www.villageofgoshen-ny.gov](http://www.villageofgoshen-ny.gov)), on which a "Police Bulletins" section has been added.

Trustee Stewart listed recent major activities of the DPW: crews are out chipping branches from trees which suffered storm damage; a tree company has taken down damaged trees which could have created possible emergency situations; crews were cleaning and preparing for the St. Patrick's Day Parade; and yard waste collection will begin on Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Trustee Mattheus thanked the voters for her re-election. Trustee Mattheus announced that the application for a DEC permit regarding the CRW water source is complete and a technical review has commenced. She also noted that a fire hydrant was repaired on North Church Street, as well as a water main break nearby.

Mayor Higgins congratulated the incumbents on their re-elections.

Citizens' comments were received from Neil Hickok and Joel Markowitz.

On a motion by Trustee Mattheus, seconded by Trustee Char, the Board entered into Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. for a discussion of collective negotiations.

Char	aye
Mattheus	aye
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye

On a motion by Trustee Roddey, seconded by Trustee Char, the Executive Session was ended at 8:50 p.m.

Char	aye
Mattheus	aye
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Char, the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Char	aye
Mattheus	aye
Roddey	aye
Stewart	aye