

Village Board Meeting
July 28, 2008

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

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

On a motion by Trustee Mattheus, seconded by Trustee Higgins, the Board voted to enter into an Attorney-client privileged session at 7:05 p.m. for a discussion of proposed Local Law #1 of 2008.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye

On a motion by Trustee Mattheus, seconded by Trustee Higgins, the Board voted to end the Attorney-client privileged session at 7:30 p.m.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye

Mayor Weinberger called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m., and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Trustee Bloom, seconded by Trustee Higgins, the agenda was accepted as submitted.

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 Higgins, seconded by Trustee Fast, the Minutes of the July 7, 2008 Village Board Work Session were accepted as submitted.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	abstain – absent on July 7, 2008

On a motion by Trustee Mattheus, seconded by Trustee Bloom, the Minutes of the July 14, 2008 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye

Communications

Mayor Weinberger presented a letter from Debra Randazzo requesting to close Pacer Court to traffic for a block party on September 6, 2008, from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Based on review by Chief Watt and Superintendent Nuzzolese, Trustee Higgins moved, and Trustee Mattheus seconded that permission be given for the street closure.

Bloom aye
Fast aye
Higgins aye
Mattheus aye

The Board reviewed a letter from Planner Stuart Turner of the Turner Miller Group, estimating additional budgeting for requested additional work.

On a motion by Trustee Higgins, seconded by Trustee Fast, the Board approved Mr. Turner's proposal for the additional sum of \$1500.00 for completion of proposals for the Greenwich Avenue Corridor, including field work.

Bloom aye
Fast aye
Higgins aye
Mattheus aye

On a motion by Trustee Higgins, seconded by Trustee Fast, the Board approved Mr. Turner's proposal for the additional sum of \$4,500 for additional work associated with proposed zoning amendments.

Bloom aye
Fast aye
Higgins aye
Mattheus aye

On a motion by Trustee Higgins, seconded by Trustee Fast, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract Numbers 08/09, number 4 in the amount of \$225,580.87; number 5 in the amount of \$12,844.02; and number 6 in the amount of \$273,094.00; for a grand total of \$511,518.89.

Bloom aye
Fast aye
Higgins aye
Mattheus aye

Items of Business

On a motion by Trustee Bloom, seconded by Trustee Fast, Raymond Simpson Jr. is hereby promoted to the position of Heavy Equipment Operator, on the recommendation of Department of Public Works Superintendent Michael Nuzzolese. In accordance with the current contract between the Village of Goshen and the CSEA Raymond Simpson, Jr. will be placed on the 2008 Step One of the pay scale for Heavy Equipment Operator, with an annual salary of \$44,537. This appointment shall become effective July 30, 2008.

Bloom aye
Fast aye
Higgins aye
Mattheus aye

On a motion by Trustee Higgins, seconded by Trustee Bloom, Court Clerk Leta Jagielski is hereby authorized to attend the New York State Association of Magistrates' Court Clerks Annual Conference, to be held September 21, 2008 through September 24, 2008 in Niagara Falls, New York. The total cost for this conference will be \$765.65.

Bloom aye
Fast aye
Higgins aye
Mattheus aye

On a motion by Trustee Higgins, seconded by Trustee Mattheus, the annual salary of Dispatcher Heather L. Lewis is hereby adjusted to the 2008/2009 budgeted amount of \$27,000.00, effective June 1, 2008.

Bloom aye
Fast aye
Higgins aye
Mattheus aye

Trustee Fast moved the following, which was seconded by Trustee Bloom:

WHEREAS, the County of Orange, under the Orange County Municipal Parks Grant Program, has awarded the Town of Goshen and Village of Goshen a 2008 Grant of up to \$15,000 for a pavilion and free standing restroom at Salesian Park,

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Intermunicipal Cooperation Agreement prepared by the County of Orange for the purpose of effectuating the foregoing grant.

Upon a roll call vote with 4 Trustees voting in favor and 0 voting against, the resolution was duly adopted.

Attorney Donovan reviewed proposed Local Law #1 of 2008, which is to impose a moratorium on new land use approvals in the OBH Zoning District for a period of one year.

On a motion by Trustee Higgins, seconded by Trustee Mattheus, the Village Board of the Village of Goshen hereby schedules a Public Hearing for August 11, 2008, at 7:30 p.m., or as soon after as may be heard, to consider the adoption of proposed Local Law #1 of 2008.

Bloom aye
Fast aye
Higgins aye
Mattheus aye
Weinberger aye

Mayor Weinberger reviewed a letter from the Chief Administrative Judge of the State of New York Unified Court System, that requests a copy of the most recent audit or examination of the Village court's records.

Trustee Bloom moved the following, which was seconded by Trustee Fast:

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Goshen hereby employs Michael Vernieri, CPA to conduct an audit of the Village court, as proscribed by law, for fiscal year 2007/2008, utilizing standard municipal accounting practices, for a fee not to exceed \$2000.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye

Trustee Bloom moved the following, which was seconded by Trustee Higgins:

WHEREAS, the County of Orange Department of Emergency Services has developed a plan for a countywide law enforcement records management system for the purpose of permitting all law enforcement agencies in the county to share data; and

WHEREAS, Orange County will absorb the cost of providing IMPACT's current level of data sharing, as stated in the Memorandum and outlined in the data sharing statement of work between Admit Computer Services and the County;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement between the Village of Goshen and the County of Orange for the purpose of implementing the program.

Following discussion, a motion to table the resolution was made by Trustee Bloom, and seconded by Trustee Fast.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustee Bloom reported the following recent activities of the DPW: crews have been rebuilding damaged catch basins; crews have been blacktop patching; parking meters have been emptied; microsealing preparation is underway; and brush has been removed in the line of site for various street signs.

Trustee Fast reported on a recent notice of violation received from the DEC. It is being addressed by the Village Engineer. Trustee Fast also discussed her response to a recent letter from Riverkeeper, Inc. regarding sewage overflows in the Village and Town of Goshen.

Trustee Mattheus discussed water issues, noting that the Village has been working aggressively on both CRV wells, and that the Health Department has been very cooperative. She is having the Village Engineer assess the usage for Epsilon, the company in the former Sorrento plant.

Trustee Higgins reported the following Police Department statistics: since July 14th there have been 14 arrests, 74 uniform traffic tickets, 67 parking summonses, and 12

motor vehicle accidents investigated. Trustee Higgins urged the other Board members to agree to the County's proposal for the countywide law enforcement records management system, as a tool to fight the increasing crime in the Village.

Trustee Higgins announced that the Village's website is up and running, and can be found at villageofgoshen-ny.gov. He thanked webmaster Bonnie Mayefsky for all of her work towards this goal.

Citizens' comments were received from Ray Rooney, Kit Wallace, Neil Hickok, and Joel Markowitz.

On a motion by Trustee Higgins, seconded by Trustee Fast, the meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Bloom	aye
Fast	aye
Higgins	aye
Mattheus	aye