

Village Board Meeting
April 23, 2018

Members present: Mayor Roddey, Trustees Gurda, Nuzzolese, and Smith

Member absent: Trustee Char

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

Mayor Roddey called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Roddey read the following:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Goshen, New York, will hold a Public Hearing at Village Hall, 276 Main Street, Goshen, New York, on April 23, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon after as may be heard, to consider the adoption of a Local Law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law 3-c.

The Village of Goshen will make every effort to assure that the Public Hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Anyone requiring special assistance and/or accommodations should contact the Village Clerk.

By Order of the Village Board of Trustees
Village of Goshen
Margaret G. Strobl, Village Clerk

On a motion by Trustee Nuzzolese, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Public Hearing for proposed Local Law #1 of 2018 was opened at 7:01 p.m.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

There was no public comment.

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Public Hearing for proposed Local Law #1 of 2018 was closed at 7:02 p.m.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Nuzzolese, the Agenda was accepted as submitted.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

Minutes

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Minutes of the March 26, 2018 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	abstain (absent on March 26, 2018)
Smith	aye
Roddey	aye

The Minutes of the April 2, 2018 Village Board Meeting were tabled due to lack of a quorum of those present at that Meeting.

Communications

Mayor Roddey read a letter of resignation received from part-time Police Officer Michael B. Condon, effective April 1, 2018.

Mayor Roddey read a letter of resignation received from Department of Public Works Laborer Ian Mertens, effective April 26, 2018.

The Board reviewed a request from the Event Manager of the Tour de Simcha, regarding a cycling event scheduled for July 3, 2018, with a route which passes through the Village.

On a motion by Trustee Nuzzolese, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the event was approved, pending provision of the necessary insurance and indemnification.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

The Board reviewed a request from the Rotary Club of Goshen to hold the annual Great American Weekend 5K/10K Run on Saturday, June 30, 2018.

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Nuzzolese, the request was approved, pending receipt of the Club's insurance certificate.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

Mayor Roddey reviewed a letter from State Senator John J. Bonacic acknowledging the Village's Resolution on the CPV power plant, and enclosing a letter which he had previously written to NYS Attorney General, Eric Schneiderman, requesting that he conduct an independent investigation of the project's permitting process.

The Board reviewed a request from Orange-Ulster BOCES to use the Village Green as the site for the Special Education Including Communities program graduation celebration. The event is scheduled for Tuesday, June 19th at 8:00 a.m., and the request included indemnification and insurance.

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Smith, the request was approved.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

Items of Business

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Smith, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract 2017/2018 number 10, check numbers 14005 through 14138 in the amount of \$1,180,082.78.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

Mayor Roddey made the following comments about the 2018/2019 Budget:

When the budget cycle began, it started with a 10% tax increase, which we have been able to get down to 6.2%.

Every year since the inception of the State's 2% tax levy cap, the Village has been below the cap. We have been able to do this by holding the line in spending, and using money from our fund balance to balance the budget. I am proud of our past success, but now we must plan for the future.

Our goal for this budget was to eliminate any use of our fund balance, reduce our expenses where possible, while maintaining public safety and quality of service. I believe this final product does that. All members of the Village Board agree that our decisions should be made based on long-term sustainability.

This increase has been driven by factors outside of the Village's control such as health insurance and retirement increases, and contractual raises. This budget does not contain any new personnel or initiatives. Additionally, it succeeds in eliminating any use of our fund balance for budgeting.

We have been able to reduce the increase through the following changes:

--Switching to single-day garbage pick-up beginning at the end of the summer of 2018; this move will save man hours/overtime while also encouraging more recycling. The more residents recycle, the less the Village pays in tipping fees.

--Conversion of street lights to LEDs to reduce electric cost

--Reduction in major road paving projects in 2018 summer

--Some special events to be reconfigured to reduce overtime costs

--Apply for grant funding to study consolidation of Village Court Department and Building Department with the Town of Goshen

--Reduction in staffing through attrition when appropriate and in the best interest of public safety

Mayor Roddey thanked Treasurer Sara Winters for all her diligent work on the budget.

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Nuzzolese, the Village Board of the Village of Goshen, as lead agency, hereby issues a negative declaration pursuant to the applicable provisions of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, set forth at 6NYCRR Part 617 *et seq.*, in the action: adoption of Local Law #1 of 2018.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Goshen hereby adopts Local Law #1 of 2018, a Local Law to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Village of Goshen, pursuant to General Municipal Law 3-C.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

Trustee Smith moved the following, which was seconded by Trustee Gurda:

Whereas, the preliminary budget for the year 2018/2019 has been duly presented to the Village Board of Trustees, and a duly advertised public hearing has been held on April 2, 2018;

Resolved: pursuant to Section 5-508(4) of the Village Law, that the said preliminary budget, as changed, altered, and revised, be and hereby is adopted as the budget of the Village of Goshen for the year 2018/2019.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

Trustee Nuzzolese offered the following Resolution, and moved its adoption:

RESOLVED: To re-levy on the 2018-2019 Village of Goshen Property Taxes, the amount of \$338,138.16, reflecting the total amount of unpaid water/sewer bills for 2017.

The foregoing Resolution was seconded by Trustee Gurda, and a vote resulted as follows:

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Nuzzolese, the Treasurer is hereby authorized to transfer budget line items as designated in the attached schedule. The purpose of these transfers is to balance Sewer Fund budget lines.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

Batch Id: TRANSFER Batch Date: 04/24/18 Batch Type: Standard

Account No. Account Description	Type	Entry Description	Amount	Seq
G -1910-4300 UNALLOCATED INSURANCE	Transfer In	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	6,682.90	1
G -1990-4001 CONTINGENT ACCOUNT.CONTRACTUAL	Transfer Out	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	75,000.00	2
G -8110-4320 SEWER ADMIN.ATTORNEY..	Transfer Out	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	3,000.00	3
G -8110-4344 SEWER ADMIN.SOFTWARE MAINT CONTR	Transfer In	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	7,130.75	4
G -8120-4010 SANITARY SEWERS.LEGALS	Transfer Out	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	100.00	6
G -8120-4564 SANITARY SEWERS.PUMP STATIONS REPAIRS	Transfer In	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	23,459.57	7
G -8120-4565 SANITARY SEWERS.INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIRS	Transfer Out	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	20,000.00	8
G -8120-4760 SANITARY SEWERS.TELEPHONE	Transfer In	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	725.60	9
G -8130-2001 SEWAGE TREAT/DISPOSAL.EQUIPMENT	Transfer In	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	8,315.07	10
G -8130-4050 SEWAGE TREAT/DISPOSAL.CHEMICALS	Transfer In	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	7,239.54	11
G -8130-4150 SEWAGE TREAT/DISPOSAL.ELECTRIC	Transfer Out	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	1,000.00	12
G -8130-4560 SEWAGE TREAT/DISPOSAL.EQUIPMENT REPAIRS	Transfer In	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	43,411.24	13
G -8130-4570 SEWAGE TREAT/DISPOSAL.BUILDING REPAIR	Transfer In	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	1,386.94	14
G -8130-4760 SEWAGE TREAT/DISPOSAL.TELEPHONE	Transfer In	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	14.49	15
G -8130-4810 SEWAGE TREAT/DISPOSAL.EDUCATION	Transfer Out	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	743.34	16
G -8130-4830 SEWAGE TREAT/DISPOSAL.CLOTHING	Transfer In	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	326.36	17
G -9010-8001 STATE RETIREMENT..	Transfer In	BUDGET TRANSFERS TO BALANCE	1,150.88	18

Fund Description	Fund	Expenditures	Reimbursements	Transfer In	Transfer Out	Cancel	Encumbrances
SEWER	G	0.00	0.00	99,843.34	99,843.34	0.00	0.00
Total Of All Funds:		0.00	0.00	99,843.34	99,843.34	0.00	0.00

	Entries	Amount
Expenditures:	0	0.00
Reimbursements:	0	0.00
Transfer In:	11	99,843.34
Transfer Out:	6	99,843.34
Cancel:	0	0.00
Encumbrance:	0	0.00
Total:	17	199,686.68

There are NO errors in this listing.

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustee Nuzzolese reported that the sewer plant is running well, and that work continues on the new water tank.

Trustee Gurda noted that applications are now being accepted for the Joint Recreation summer camp, which fills up quickly, and that the DPW has been working on Spring clean-up activities.

Trustee Smith said that the exterior renovation of the Police Station is going well and looks good.

Mayor Roddey expressed thanks to Sen. Bonacic for providing funding for the Police Station repainting project. He also noted that a grant received from the County will go towards enhancements to the bus shelter.

Mayor Roddey reviewed a request from Orange & Rockland Utilities for Village water and sewer at their property in the Town. Attorney Donovan will be researching the request.

Mayor Roddey announced that the Painted Trotters and Keys of Goshen projects are both in the works.

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Nuzzolese, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Char	absent
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye