

Village Board Meeting
December 9, 2024

Members present: Mayor O'Donnell, Trustees Hand, Rouis and Wohl

Also present: Village Clerk Darby, Attorney Donovan, Interim DPW
Superintendent Morgiewicz and Police Chief Rich

Mayor O'Donnell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Trustee Rouis, seconded by Trustee Hand, the December 9, 2024 Village Board Meeting Agenda was accepted as presented.

Gurda	absent
Hand	aye
O'Donnell	aye
Rouis	aye
Wohl	aye

On a motion by Trustee Wohl, seconded by Trustee Rouis, the Minutes of the November 25, 2024, Village Board Meeting were accepted.

Gurda	absent
Hand	aye
O'Donnell	aye
Rouis	aye
Wohl	aye

Items of Business

1. Supporting Orange County Open Space Funding Application

RESOLUTION 127 of 2024

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AND CONCURRING IN THE APPLICATION OF THE VILLAGE OF GOSHEN THROUGH THE ORANGE COUNTY OPEN SPACE PROTECTION PROGRAM TO PURCHASE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 29 ERIE STREET, GOSHEN, NY 10924

WHEREAS, in 2024, the Orange County Legislature appropriated \$1 million to the Orange County Open Space Fund to preserve and protect valuable open space and natural resources throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Open Space Fund provides matching grants to villages, towns, cities, qualified not-for-profits, and individual property owners for the purchase of land, development rights, or conservation easements that meet the objectives set forth in the Orange County Open Space Plan;

WHEREAS, **Goshen Central School District** wishes to convey, and the Village of Goshen wishes to purchase, the land located at 29 Erie Street listed on the Village of Goshen tax map as SBL 108-6-34; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Goshen intends to apply to the Orange County Open Space Fund for matching support to purchase the proposed park property; and

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY

RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Goshen, does hereby support and concur in the application by the Village of Goshen for funding to purchase park property from the Goshen Central School District over their lands located at 29 Erie Street, Goshen, NY 10924, listed on the tax map as SBL 108-6-34.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Rouis and seconded by Trustee Wohl. The vote was 4 ayes to 0 nays with 0 abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on December 9, 2024.

2. Comp Alliance - Member Participation Agreement and Funding Contribution

RESOLUTION 128 of 2024

A RESOLUTION TO SIGN THE MEMBER PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT AND PAY THE ANNUAL FUNDING CONTRIBUTION OF \$155,481.00 AND AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL ASSESSMENT OF \$8,651.75 FOR THE 2025 CALENDAR YEAR TO COMP ALLIANCE, THE VILLAGES' WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

WHEREAS, the Village of Goshen carries coverage for worker's compensation insurance; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the Mayor can sign the Participation Agreement with Comp Alliance and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Village of Goshen can pay Comp Alliance \$155,481.00 for their annual funding contribution, and \$8,651.75 for the estimated annual assessment for the calendar year 1/1/25 – 12/31/25.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Hand and seconded by Trustee Rouis. The vote was 4 ayes to 0 nays with 0 abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on December 9, 2024.

3. Award of Boiler Bid

RESOLUTION 129 of 2024

A RESOLUTION AWARDING THE BOILER REPLACEMENT AT VILLAGE HALL TO CANDELA'S PLUMBING & HVAC WITH A BID RECEIVED OF \$53,356.00

WHEREAS, Gerard & Associates and Lanc & Tully put together a bid package; and

WHEREAS, two contractors submitted completed bid packets on December 2, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Gerard & Associates reviewed the bid packets for thoroughness; and

WHEREAS, Gerard & Associates recommend the contract be awarded to Candela's Plumbing & HVAC with a bid of \$53,356.00;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, the Village Board of the Village of Goshen approves to award replacement of the boiler at Village Hall to Candela's Plumbing & HVAC with a bid of \$53,356.00.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Wohl and seconded by Trustee Rouis. The vote was 4 ayes to 0 nays with 0 abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on December 9, 2024.

4. Abstract of Vouchers #5 of 2024-2025 Budget

RESOLUTION 130 OF 2024

A RESOLUTION EXAMINING ABSTRACT NUMBER 5 FOR FISCAL YEAR 6/1/24 – 5/31/25 FOR CHECK NUMBERS 24696 THROUGH 24770 TOTALING \$570,143.89

WHEREAS, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract Number 5 for fiscal year 2024/2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the following were approved:

1. Check numbers 24696 through 24770; and
2. Abstract number 5 in the amount of \$570,143.89.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Wohl and seconded by Trustee Hand. The vote was 4 ayes to 0 nays with 0 abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on December 9, 2024.

5. Abstract of Vouchers #6 of 2024-2025 Budget

RESOLUTION 131 OF 2024

A RESOLUTION EXAMINING ABSTRACT NUMBER 6 FOR FISCAL YEAR 6/1/24 – 5/31/25 FOR CHECK NUMBERS 24771 THROUGH 24874 TOTALING \$1,367,035.28

WHEREAS, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract Number 6 for fiscal year 2024/2025; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the following were approved:

1. Check numbers 24771 through 24874; and
2. Abstract number 6 in the amount of \$1,367,035.28.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Hand and seconded by Trustee Wohl. The vote was 4 ayes to 0 nays with 0 abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on December 9, 2024.

Department Head Comments

Interim DPW Superintendent Morgiewicz reported on the following major activities of the Department of Public Works from November 23rd, 2024 through December 9th, 2024, 2024:

STREETS

1. Sweep streets throughout the Village
2. Collected and maintained parking meters, placed holiday free parking cards
3. Bulk leaf pickup throughout the village
4. Asphalt patching throughout the village
5. Began restoration of Village Hall sign
6. Put up snowflakes downtown and ornaments by monument in the square
7. Replace and fix lights on tree in square and place star on top of tree
8. Plant two trees at St. John's church and 2 trees at 76 South Street (Replacing trees previously taken down)
9. Blow and pickup leaves downtown on sidewalks and by PD
10. Bring Barricades and cones to square for holiday tree lighting and parade
11. Salt roads and village owned sidewalks during storm on 12/5

WATER

1. Normal operations
2. Annual leak detection survey by NorthEast Water Technology
3. Repair water leak on Woodhills Drive

SEWER

1. Normal operations
2. Sewer main repair on Main Street

Village Clerk Darby reported on the following activities:

- Worked w/ Mayor & KOD on submitting Open Space Grant
- ZBA Applications
- Website updates
- Sexual Harassment Training scheduled for 12/11 and 12/18, and there is a plan in place for employees who are unable to make either of the dates
- Boiler bid project
- Lead Service Line Inventory Project – touch base meeting scheduled for next week
- Safety Award from Comp Alliance in the amount of \$8,500

Chief Rich shared that all of the events went very well. Supervisors are working on end of year reporting and policy reviews, and Chief Rich is working on the Wreaths Across America procession that will take place on Thursday.

Mayor and Trustee Comments

Trustee Wohl shared that the reservoir level is in good shape.

Mayor O'Donnell offered her condolences on the passing of Maureen Quinn who was a police dispatcher with the Village of Goshen for over 30 years. Mayor O'Donnell also offered her condolences to Larry Ryan who has been part of the Goshen community for years. Mayor O'Donnell shared that a girl scout will continue the maintenance of the manger. Mayor O'Donnell advised that the December 23, 2024 Village Board meeting is cancelled, and wished everyone a very happy holiday season.

Citizens' Comments

There were not any comments received from the public.

On a motion by Trustee Rouis, seconded by Trustee Wohl, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Gurda	absent
Hand	aye
O'Donnell	aye
Rouis	aye
Wohl	aye