Village Board Meeting June 27, 2011

Members present: Mayor Roddey, Trustees Char, Mattheus, Smith, and Stewart

Also present: Engineer Tully, and Village Clerk Strobl

Mayor Roddey called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance, and a Moment of Silence to honor the memory of former resident Jeff Timmerman.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Agenda was modified by the addition of Communications #1 and #2; St. Patrick's Day Parade request, and GOVAC parking lot.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Minutes

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Minutes of the June 13, 2011 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Communications

Mayor Roddey read a letter from Megan Sullivan-Mollahan, President of the Mid Hudson St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee, requesting that the Village once again host the parade on March 12, 2012.

Mayor Roddey will send a response letter explaining the necessity to charge groups for the costs of police and public works overtime incurred for special events that take place in the Village.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Stewart, approval was granted for the 2012 St. Patrick's Day Parade to be held in the Village, based on adherence to the new policy being developed by the Village in regard to event costs.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Mayor Roddey reviewed a letter from the Goshen Volunteer Ambulance Corps. Secretary regarding destruction of parking lot property.

On a motion by Trustee Mattheus, seconded by Trustee Char, the Village Board resolved to schedule a Public Hearing for July 25, 2011, to consider dedicated parking spaces for the Goshen Volunteer Ambulance Corps., pending advice from the Village Attorney.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Items of Business

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract 2010/2011 number 30, check numbers 1695 through 1781 in the amount of \$250,506.60.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Goshen has heretofore prepared the plans and specifications necessary for the implementation of a project known as the "Sewer Trunk Line Replacement" which project involves the replacement of an undersized trunk sewer line with a new, larger, trunk sewer line for the purpose of reducing and/or eliminating overflows associated with high flow events; and

WHEREAS, this project in an unlisted action as that term is defined by the implementing regulations of the *Environmental Conservation Law* set forth at 6 NYCRR Part 617 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Village Engineer has prepared the necessary Short Environmental Assessment Form together with the necessary application for approval of said project to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation; and

WHEREAS, compliance with the requirements of the implementing regulations of the Environmental Conservation Law is a requirement for completion of said application; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board determines that the implementation of the project hereinabove described will not have a significant adverse impact upon the environment;

NOW, **THEREFORE**, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village Board hereby issues a Negative Declaration in connection with the above described project.

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

The following was moved by Trustee Char, and seconded by Trustee Stewart:

Jason Wilson is hereby appointed Chairman of the Environmental Review Board.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

The following was moved by Trustee Mattheus, and seconded by Trustee Smith:

Neil Hickok is hereby appointed to the Environmental Review Board for a term to expire in 2012.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Char, Luke Nelson is hereby appointed Seasonal Intern Laborer for the Village of Goshen Department of Public Works at a salary of \$12.00 per hour, for a term to begin on June 29, 2011 and end on August 30, 2011.

This appointment is effective upon successful completion of a pre-employment physical exam, and pre-employment paperwork.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Mattheus, seconded by Trustee Smith, Joshua Bell; having successfully completed the certification for *Grade II Wastewater Treatment Operator*, is hereby promoted to the position of Water/Wastewater Treatment Operator II. In accordance with the current contract between the Village of Goshen and the CSEA, Joshua Bell will be placed on the 2011 Step Two of the pay scale for Water & Sewer Operator 2, with an annual salary of \$40,472.

This appointment shall become effective immediately.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, Brian Ritchings; having successfully completed the certification for *Grade II Wastewater Treatment Operator*, is hereby promoted to the position of Water/Wastewater Treatment Operator II. In accordance with the current contract between the Village of Goshen and the CSEA, Brian Ritchings will be placed on the 2011 Step Two of the pay scale for Water & Sewer Operator 2, with an annual salary of \$40,472.

This appointment shall become effective immediately.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Mattheus, seconded by Trustee Stewart, Michael Sullivan; having successfully completed the certification for *Grade II-A Water Treatment Operator*, is hereby promoted to the position of Water/Wastewater Treatment Operator I. In accordance with the current contract between the Village of Goshen and the CSEA, Michael Sullivan will be placed on the 2011 Step Three of the pay scale for Water & Sewer Operator 1, with an annual salary of \$39,288.

This appointment shall become effective immediately.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustee Mattheus reported that the reservoir has remained full, which is particularly good news at this time of year. She also noted that the Village continues working with the County on CRV approvals.

Trustee Stewart read the following recent activities of the Department of Public Works: crews assisted plumbers at Carriage Hill Apartments with the replacement of valves in a building; parking meters have been emptied; and because of recent downpours, crews have been working on drainage.

Trustee Char offered congratulations to Goshen High School graduating senior Kristina Davila, the winner of the annual Chief John H. Egbertson scholarship.

Mayor Roddey offered best wishes to Isabel Smith, wife of Trustee Smith, who has returned from deployment to Iraq. He also congratulated graduating seniors Christine Attanasio and Ceira Dawson, recipients of the Village of Goshen scholarships for 2011.

Mayor Roddey thanked Supervisor Doug Bloomfield and the Town Board members for agreeing to meet to discuss new sewer agreements.

Citizens' Comments

Geri Corey asked if the repairs to the Mayor's office were covered by insurance, which they are.

Joel Markowitz noted that the Board may have to go to the Planning Board regarding the GOVAC parking lot. He also asked questions about the posted land along the Heritage Trail, various litigations the Village is involved in, and whether there is litigation involving the stockpile.

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Char, the Board entered into Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. for a discussion of arbitration with the Town.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Stewart, the Executive Session was concluded, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Char aye
Mattheus aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye