Village Board Meeting December 9, 2013

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

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

Mayor Roddey called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and, at his request, Superintendent Michael Nuzzolese led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Roddey requested a Moment of Silence to honor the memory of Ernest Smith, recently deceased father of Trustee Peter Smith.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Agenda was accepted as presented.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Recognition – Retirement of Department of Public Works Superintendent Michael Nuzzolese

Mayor Roddey spoke about Mike's outstanding 34 year career with the Village and his valuable and dedicated service to the residents.

Mayor Roddey introduced former Mayors John Higgins and Marcia Mattheus, both of whom spoke of their experiences working with Mike.

Mayor Roddey introduced the following, who presented plaques and gifts to Mike: Foreman Tom Lane and DPW personnel; First Assistant Chief Elmer Budd and Goshen Fire Department personnel; Lynn Cione of the Goshen Chamber of Commerce; and Joe Matta representing the Dark Side Riders bicycle club.

DPW liaison Trustee Stewart spoke about Mike's impressive career, as did Trustees Gurda, Char, and Smith.

Mayor Roddey read a proclamation recognizing Mike for 34 years of dedicated service to the Village of Goshen, and presented him with a plaque, wishing him well in his well-deserved retirement.

Public Hearing – Local Law #6 of 2013 – Recycling

Mayor Roddey read the following Legal notice:

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 December 9, 2013, at 7:30 p.m., or as soon after as may be heard, to consider the adoption of a Local Law to amend Article III of Section 38 of the Code of the Village of Goshen – Recycling.

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.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Public Hearing on Local Law #6 of 2013 was opened at 8:17 p.m.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Mayor Roddey explained the proposed changes to the current Recycling law, and its requirements to increase recycling by adopting penalties for offenses. He then opened the meeting to public comment.

Resident Sue Armistead expressed her agreement with the changes and stated that the more recycling the better.

Resident Ray Rooney asked who would enforce the new laws, and was told the DPW Superintendent.

Sue Armistead asked if the new system meant that furniture would no longer be picked up as garbage. Mayor Roddey explained that furniture would only be picked up during bulk pick-up.

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Public Hearing was closed at 8:22 p.m.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Minutes

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Stewart, the Minutes of the November 25, 2013 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Minutes of the December 2, 2013 Village Board Work Session were accepted as submitted.

Char aye Gurda aye Smith aye

Stewart abstain (absent on December 2, 2013)

Communications

Mayor Roddey read a letter from Robert J. Dickover, Associate Race Director for the Hambletonian Marathon, outlining plans for the group's proposed 2014 event. Mayor Roddey reviewed Chief Watt's comments, including the fact that overtime costs incurred

would be the responsibility of the group, and that the Village reserves the authority to cancel the event due to potentially dangerous weather.

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the proposed 2014 Hambletonian Marathon and Good Time Trotters Relay event was approved, contingent upon adherence to the Chief's comments.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Mayor Roddey reviewed an Alcoholic Beverage License application for Asia Kitchen Inc.

Items of Business

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Village Board of the Village of Goshen hereby adopts the following schedule for meetings during 2014:

The Board of Trustees of the Village of Goshen, New York, will hold Meetings in 2014 at the Village Hall, 276 Main Street, Goshen, NY at 7:30 p.m. on the following dates:

January 13	May 12	September 22
January 27	June 9	October 27
February 10	June 23	November 10
February 24	July 14	November 24
March 10	July 28	December 8
March 24	August 11	December 22
April 14	August 25	
April 28	September 8	

The Board of Trustees will hold Work Sessions in 2014 at 7:00 p.m. on the following dates:

January 6	May 19	September 15
February 3	June 2	October 6
March 3	June 16	October 20
March 17	July 7	November 3
April 7	July 21	November 17
April 21	August 4	December 1
May 5	August 18	December 15

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Smith, 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 #6 of 2013.

Char	aye
Gurda	aye
Smith	aye
Stewart	aye

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Goshen hereby adopts Local Law #6 of 2013, a Local Law to amend Article III of Section 38 of the Code of the Village of Goshen – Recycling.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Stewart, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract 2013/2014 number 10, check numbers 6304 through 6435, for a total of \$1,123,005.43.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustee Gurda reported the following major activities of the Water Department: crews repaired an 8" water main on North Church Street; the water meter replacement project is progressing; a water leak was repaired on a 4" main on Grand Street; and crews have been flushing and preparing the CRV Well in order to be put on line for emergency use.

Trustee Stewart noted the recent major activities of the Department of Public Works: holiday decorations have been placed in the downtown area; "free parking" cards are in the parking meters; crews are finishing up with the fall leaf collection; and crews were salting early in the morning due to an ice storm.

Trustee Char commended the Police Department for receiving awards from the American Automobile Association for Traffic Safety Efforts and the Village's 26 year fatality- free pedestrian safety record.

Mayor Roddey reported for the Sewer Department that the sewer main replacement project on St. John Street is complete, and the low spots in the sewer collection system are being jetted.

There were no citizens' comments.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Board voted to enter into Executive Session at 8:30 p.m. for a discussion of the proposed sale of real property.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Executive Session was concluded, and the Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye