Village Board Meeting June 10, 2013

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

Member absent: Trustee Stewart

Also present: Attorney Donovan, Engineer O'Rourke, 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.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Agenda was amended by the addition of an Executive Session for discussion of the employment history of a particular employee.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart absent

Minutes

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Minutes of the May 13, 2013 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart absent

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Minutes of the May 20, 2013 Village Board Work Session were accepted as submitted.

Char abstain (absent on May 20, 2013)

Gurda aye Smith aye Stewart absent Roddey aye

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Char, the Minutes of the June 3, 2013 Village Board Work Session were accepted as submitted.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart absent

Communications

Mayor Roddey read a letter from Peter and Laura Rollins to Chief Watt, thanking Sgt. Henderson for his assistance to them on Memorial Day. The Mayor expressed his gratitude to Mrs. And Mrs. Rollins for all that they do for the Village.

The Board reviewed a letter from Grover vonPentz, the Fundraising Chairperson for the First Presbyterian Church, requesting approval for children's rides during the Great American Weekend.

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Char, the Board approved the request, subject to compliance with conditions as stated by the Chief of Police.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart absent

Mayor Roddey read a letter from Jason Giordano, of the Goshen Rotary Club, regarding Goshen Rotary Family Fun Day, scheduled for August 17, 2013.

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the request for signs to advertise the event, as described in Mr. Giordano's letter, was approved.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart absent

Items of Business

Engineer O'Rourke gave an explanation of the history leading to the need for emergency repair of the Minisink Trail Pump Station.

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Goshen is the owner and operator of a certain municipal improvement known as the "Minisink Trail Pump Station" which pump station is part of the Village's municipal sewage collection and treatment system; and

WHEREAS, the said pump station is in need of upgrade and Village Board has heretofore authorized the Village Engineer to design the necessary upgrade to the said pump station; and

WHEREAS, the Village is currently under a Consent Order imposed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation the terms of which prohibit any overflows that would result from pump station failures; and

WHEREAS, there have been two failures at the pump station over the past month which did not result in overflows but the nevertheless heightened the concern that overflows may occur in the future; and

WHEREAS, the Village Engineer, in correspondence dated June 6, 2013, affirmatively states that another failure at the pump station is "likely" and recommends that the Village Board "declare the repair and upgrade to the Minisink Pump Station as an emergency situation";

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that an emergency situation exists with regard to the needed repair and upgrade to the Minisink Pump Station; and it is further

RESOLVED that as a result of said emergency situation, the time frame required to prepare and advertise for public bid for the work required to repair and upgrade the pump station would result in delay that would pose adverse consequences to the environment; and it is further

RESOLVED that the Village Engineer is therefore authorized and empowered to obtain proposals from qualified contractors on an expedited basis and to present to the Mayor the most appropriate proposal for the work required and the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a contract on behalf of the Village for said work.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart absent

Engineer O'Rourke reviewed a letter from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation approving the design plan for the rain gardens, which are part of the mandated environmental benefit project.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract 2012/2013 number 14, check numbers 5399 through 5516, for a total of \$282,810.23.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart absent

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Village Board hereby authorizes the Turner Miller Group to complete an analysis and prepare a report regarding alternative approaches to upgrading CVS Plaza, as outlined in their proposal dated May 23, 2013.

It is understood that the cost for this proposal will not exceed \$9,500, and that the report will be presented to the Village Board in approximately four months.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart absent

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Village Board hereby resolves to hold a Public Hearing on July 8, 2013, at 7:30 p.m., or as soon after as may be heard, for the consideration of adoption of: A Local Law to amend Section VII of Appendix A of the Code of the Village of Goshen – Sign Regulations.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart absent

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustee Gurda reported that the reservoir is full at this time, and that crews are installing a bar screen barrier at the reservoir spillway for the containment of the triploid grasseating carp which will be placed in the lake shortly.

Trustee Char noted that all is well at the Police Department.

In Trustee Stewart's absence, Mayor Roddey reported the following recent activities of the Department of Public Works: crews continue painting curbs, fire hydrant areas, and no parking areas with yellow paint; the road mower has been out cutting grass along the sides of village streets; crews assisted in the installation of a new pump at the Harriman Square fountain; flowers have been placed on the lamp posts in the downtown area; and crews set up and cleaned up for the Memorial Day parade.

Mayor Roddey thanked Goshen Restoration for the refurbishing of the fountain, noting that it looks fantastic.

Mayor Roddey reminded the public about the Cash Mob event to be held Saturday, June 15th, and urged all to shop locally.

Public Comment

Comments were received from Ed Gibbs, Reynell Andrews, and Joel Markowitz.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Board entered into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. for a discussion of the employment history of a particular employee.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart absent

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Executive Session was concluded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart absent