Village Board Meeting October 28, 2013

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

Also present: Attorney Donovan, Engineer O'Rourke, Village Clerk Strobl, and Chief Watt

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

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Agenda was modified by removal of Items of Business #5 – Advertisement for Bids – Towing and #7 – DPW – Seasonal Interns; and the addition of The Goshen High School Leo Club – 3rd Annual Walk for the Hungry.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Recognition – Retirement of Sgt. Daniel Henderson

Mayor Roddey turned the meeting over to Chief Watt for a ceremony honoring Sgt. Daniel Henderson on the occasion of his retirement after an over 20-year career with the Village of Goshen Police Department.

Presentations were made by Chief Watt, State Assemblyman James Skoufis, Goshen Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Lynn Cione, and Jim O'Donnell. Mayor Roddey spoke about Sgt. Henderson's career, read a proclamation in his honor, and presented him with a plaque.

Sgt. Henderson introduced members of his family and spoke about his career with the Department, commending Chief Watt and his fellow Officers for their professionalism.

Minutes

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Minutes of the September 23, 2013 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Char aye Gurda aye Smith aye

Stewart abstain – absent on September 23, 2013

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Minutes of the October 7, 2013 Village Board Work Session were accepted as submitted.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Stewart, the Minutes of the October 21, 2013 Village Board Work Session were accepted as submitted.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Communications

Mayor Roddey reviewed a request from the Mid-Hudson St. Patrick's Parade Committee to hold its 38th annual parade on Sunday, March 16, 2014 in Goshen.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Gurda, permission for the parade was granted.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Mayor Roddey read a letter from Rabbi Meir Borenstein of the Chabad Center of Orange County, requesting to host the annual Menorah lighting on the Village green on December 1st and 2nd.

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Char, the event was approved.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Mayor Roddey reviewed a letter from the Rev. Thomas Dicks of St. John the Evangelist Church, requesting to hold the annual procession in honor of our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas, on December 15, 2013. Insurance and Indemnification have been provided.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, permission for the procession was granted.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Items of Business

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees must designate by Resolution and publish the offices which are to be filled in the Village election, and the terms thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Village of Goshen designates the following offices vacant at the end of the current official year, to be filled at the Village election to be held on March 18, 2014, for the following terms:

Two (2) Trustees for two (2) years

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village Clerk is hereby directed to publish this Resolution in full in the Goshen Independent. This Resolution will take effect immediately.

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

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

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

WHEREAS, The Village of Goshen owns property designated as:

13-1-32.61	Town of Goshen
15-1-8	Town of Goshen
15-1-48	Town of Goshen
15-1-50	Town of Goshen
61-1-43	Town of Wallkill

AND, WHEREAS, the above described property is used by the Village of Goshen for water supply purposes for its residents and others who use State and County facilities within the Village, and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature has exempted the described properties from County Taxation in years past,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village of Goshen is requesting the Legislature of Orange County to exempt the described property from County taxation, for the year 2015, in view of its use for municipal purposes.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

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

WHEREAS, Unico Goshen LLC, the owner of certain real property located at 107 West Main Street in the Village of Goshen which property is designated on the tax map as Section 111, Block 15, Lot 16 has heretofore made application to the Village Planning Board for certain land use approvals; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Code of the Village of Goshen applicants for land use approvals are responsible to pay certain fees in the amounts, including professional consultants fees, as set forth therein; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 2-163 of the Village Code, the Village Board is empowered to levy any unpaid fees; and

WHEREAS, multiple attempts have been made to collect the fees due from Unico Goshen LLC who has at all times refused and neglected to pay the amounts rightly due and owing to the Village of Goshen;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Village determines to levy the unpaid fees owed by Unico Goshen LLC to the Village of Goshen on the next Village tax bill regarding the real property known and designated as Section 111, Block 15, Lot 16 and the Village is hereby empowered to take any and all actions necessary and required to effectuate this Resolution.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Gurda, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract 2013/2014 number 8, check numbers 6043 through 6252, for a total of \$891,365.56.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Gurda, Lanc & Tully Engineering and Surveying, P.C., is authorized to submit a Notice of Intent, (NOI), that the Village of Goshen intends to be authorized by the NYS DEC SPDES General Permit for Storm Water Discharges from Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems, (MS4s).

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

The Goshen High School Leo Club was represented by Dan Goldstein, President, and the Club's advisor. Mr. Goldstein described the Club's 3rd annual Walk for the Hungry, scheduled for Saturday, November 16th from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The Board agreed to help publicize the event.

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustee Gurda reported the following activities of the Water Department: a fire hydrant was rebuilt on Woodhill Drive; crews replaced couplings on two pumps at the filter plant; and hydrant flushing will be done this week between 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

Trustee Gurda announced that the installation of the new water meters will begin next week.

Trustee Stewart noted the recent activities of the Department of Public Works: crews have been blacktop patching; crews assisted in crowd control for the recent Mustang Show; crews prepared for and assisted in the Hambletonian Marathon; and Fall leaf pick up has begun.

Mayor Roddey reported that there has been a lot of trouble with the Winston Drive pump station because of baby wipes being flushed and clogging pumps.

Mayor Roddey commended those responsible for the recent successful Hambletonian Marathon, and thanked the Police Department and the Department of Public Works for all their work on the event.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Board entered into Executive Session at 8:02 p.m. for an Attorney/Client privilege discussion.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Executive Session was concluded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Smith aye
Stewart aye