

Village Board Meeting
September 28, 2015

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

Also present: Attorney Donovan and Village Clerk Strobl

Mayor Roddey called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Nuzzolese, the Agenda was accepted as submitted.

Char	aye
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Char, the Minutes of the September 14, 2015 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Char	aye
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

Items of Business

Trustee Nuzzolese moved, and Trustee Char seconded the following:

The Village of Goshen will institute an 8:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Halloween Curfew for Wednesday, October 28, 2015 through Monday, November 2, 2015.

Char	aye
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Nuzzolese, the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign a proposal from Lanc & Tully Engineering and Surveying, P.C., for Engineering & Surveying Services for Sidewalk Replacement at Greenwich Avenue. The fees for the proposal are Surveying \$2,200, Design Services \$4,000, Construction and Contract Documents \$1,200, Project Bidding \$900, and Construction Observation and Contract Administration \$1,400, for an overall project cost of \$9,700.

Char	aye
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

Trustee Smith offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

BE IT RESOLVED: to transfer \$3,000.00 from A.1990.4000 Contingent Account to A.1010.4570 Board of Trustees Website. The purpose of this transfer is for payment of bills associated with the Code Red emergency notification system.

The foregoing resolution was seconded by Trustee Char, and the vote resulted as follows:

Char	aye
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

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

WHEREAS, the Village of Goshen has received three bid proposals for the Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bid, in the amount of \$134,625.00, was received from National Water Main Cleaning Co., of Kearny, New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, National Water Main Cleaning Co. is the lowest responsible bidder for the Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project, having submitted all required documentation and bidding certification to consider their bid in the amount of \$134,625.00 complete; and

WHEREAS, Lanc & Tully Engineering and Surveying, P.C. has determined through review and reference checks that the contractors are equipped and the performance records are satisfactory for completion of this type of project;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project be awarded to National Water Main Cleaning Co.

Char	aye
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

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

WHEREAS, Chester LeBaron has heretofore filed a proceeding in the Supreme Court of Orange County pursuant to Article 7 of the Real Property Tax Law seeking to contest the assessment imposed on the real property located in the Village of Goshen, which property is designated on the tax map as Section 109, Block 5, Lot 24 or 40 Park Place; and;

WHEREAS, the duties of assessing real property in the Village for purposes of real property taxation are vested with the Assessor's office for the Town of Goshen; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Goshen and their Assessor have heretofore determined that it is in the best interests of all parties that the proceeding commenced by Chester LeBaron, be settled and compromised; and

WHEREAS, the Village is in receipt of a Consent Judgment duly signed and approved by the attorneys representing the Town of Goshen, the attorneys representing the Petitioner and the Office of the Orange County Attorney which Consent Judgment has been approved by the Honorable Catherine M. Bartlett, Supreme Court Justice; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the terms and provisions of said Consent Judgment the Village is obligated to refund certain tax amounts heretofore paid by Chester LeBaron;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that pursuant to said Consent Judgment the Village Board hereby directs the Village Treasurer to issue a check in the amount of \$26,025.35 and to deliver the same to Savad Churgin, as attorneys for Petitioners, as provided for in said Consent Judgment.

Char	aye
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

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

State Environmental Quality Review
NEGATIVE DECLARATION
Notice of Determination of Non-Significance
Village of Goshen, Orange County, New York

Name of Action: Downtown Streetscape Improvement Plan

Date: September 28, 2015

This notice is issued pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 (State Environmental Quality Review Act) of the Environmental Conservation Law.

The Village of Goshen Board of Trustees, as Lead Agency, has determined that the proposed action described in the project narrative and Environmental Assessment Form consistent with the procedures and criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR 617.7, analyzed the relevant areas of environmental concern using the SEQR standards and determined that the proposed Action will not have a significant adverse impact on the environment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

SEQR Status: Unlisted

Conditioned Negative Declaration: No

Description of Action: A streetscape improvement plan for West Main Street. Recommendations include street furniture, lighting, landscaping, gathering areas, signage and crosswalks as well as a more prominent definition of the Orange County Heritage Trail where it intersects the corridor. The plan also incorporates stormwater management improvements.

The stated goal of the plan is to create a unique, pedestrian orientated sense of place within the Village of Goshen which will encourage public engagement, attract new customers to local businesses, spur economic development and improve quality of life for residents and visitors of the Village while respecting and complimenting the quaint, historic local character.

Location: West Main Street from Church Street to High Street

Reasons Supporting This Determination:

The proposed action is not anticipated to result in any adverse environmental impacts based on the following:

1. All improvements are recommended in areas of the Village which are currently developed. No undeveloped, raw land will be disturbed. The proposal will not have negative impacts on wetlands, wildlife, significant habitats or threatened or endangered species as no such resources exist within the project site.
2. The study area is outside of the Village's historic district and architectural design district and no cultural or historic resources will be directly impacted by the plan. However, given the study area is in close proximity to both districts and the Village's character is heavily based upon the quaint, historic Village character all recommendations are consistent with and intended to complement the existing historic Village character.
3. Stormwater management improvements such as rain gardens, catch basin improvements and new planters will reduce stormwater runoff within the study area.
4. The proposed creation of gathering areas in the vicinity of the bus station and improvements to existing bus shelter will encourage use of public transportation.
5. Land uses in and around the study area include commercial, residential, restaurants and office uses. All recommendations are consistent with existing land uses in, and in the immediate vicinity of the study area.
6. The proposed plan will have a positive impact on local businesses by creating a safe, pedestrian orientated and visually interesting public realm which is intended to attract additional customers to the Village's downtown.

For Further Information, Contact:

Margaret Strobl, Village Clerk
276 Main Street
Goshen, New York 10924
(845) 294-6750

Char aye
Gurda aye
Nuzzolese aye
Smith aye

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Village Board of the Village of Goshen hereby adopts the Downtown Streetscape Improvement Plan, dated September 2015, and prepared by Turner Miller Group and Lanc and Tully Engineering and Surveying, PC.

Char aye
Gurda aye
Nuzzolese aye
Smith aye

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Gurda, the Village Board of the Village of Goshen, hereby resolves to hold a Public Hearing on October 26, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon after as may be heard, for the consideration of adoption of Local Law #4 of 2015: Amending Chapter 30 of the Code of the Village of Goshen entitled "Nuisances" by adding a provision prohibiting the placement of clothing bin containers on all property in the Village of Goshen.

Char	aye
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

On a motion by Trustee Nuzzolese, seconded by Trustee Char, the Village Board of the Village of Goshen, hereby resolves to hold a Public Hearing on October 26, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon after as may be heard, for the consideration of adoption of Local Law #5 of 2015: Amending Chapter 42 of the Code of the Village of Goshen entitled "Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places" by adding a provision regarding Dumpsters and Dumpster enclosures.

Char	aye
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustee Nuzzolese reported that yard lighting at the Sewer Plant has been replaced with energy-saving LED bulbs.

Trustee Gurda noted that Water Department personnel continue spot flushing of hydrants throughout the Village to maintain water quality, and that the reservoir is down 31".

Trustee Char said that the Police Department is running smoothly.

Trustee Smith reported that the sidewalk project at Village Hall has been completed, and that paving projects throughout the Village are near completion.

On a motion by Trustee Gurda, seconded by Trustee Char, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Char	aye
Gurda	aye
Nuzzolese	aye
Smith	aye