Village Board Meeting August 8, 2011

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

Absent: Trustee Mattheus

Also present: Attorney Donovan, 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.

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

Char aye
Mattheus absent
Smith aye
Stewart aye

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 August 8, 2011, at 7:30 p.m. or as soon after as may be heard, to consider the adoption of a Local Law providing for dedicated parking spaces for the Goshen Volunteer Ambulance Corps, (111-16-3).

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.

By Order of the Village Board of Trustees Village of Goshen Margaret G. Strobl, Village Clerk

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Public Hearing to consider the adoption of Local Law #1 of 2011 was opened at 7:33 p.m.

Char aye
Mattheus absent
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Resident Ann Cola asked how many parking spaces would be reserved and was informed that it will be three.

Resident Joel Markowitz asked if the Local Law was run by the Planning Board as he felt it was a modification of the site plan. He was informed that that was not necessary.

There were no further comments.

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Char, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:35 p.m.

Char aye
Mattheus absent
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Char, the Village Board for 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 #1 of 2011.

Char aye
Mattheus absent
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Char, the Village Board hereby adopts Local Law #1 of 2011.

Char aye
Mattheus absent
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Mayor Roddey explained that Trustee Mattheus had told him earlier that she was in favor of adoption of the Local Law.

Minutes

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, the Minutes of the July 25, 2011 Village Board Meeting were accepted as submitted.

Char aye
Mattheus absent
Smith aye

Stewart abstain (absent on July 25, 2011)

Roddey aye

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Char, the Minutes of the August 1, 2011 Village Board Work Session were accepted as submitted.

Char aye
Mattheus absent
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Communications

Mayor Roddey reviewed an alcoholic beverage license renewal request from Betro and Pray, Inc., for informational purposes.

Mayor Roddey read a letter from the Chair of the recent Spirited Spokes bike event, which thanked those who supported the successful fundraiser.

The Mayor reviewed a memo from Village Treasurer Goldberg, advising that the Village's new dental plan will provide a savings of \$17,320.92 annually, at the current enrollment.

Items of Business

On a motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Char, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract 2011/2012 number 5, check numbers 2040 through 2060 in the amount of \$94,096.72.

Char aye
Mattheus absent
Smith aye
Stewart aye

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Smith, Court Clerk Leta Jagielski is hereby authorized to attend the New York State Association of Magistrates' Court Clerks Annual Conference, to be held September 25, 2011 through September 28, 2011, in Niagara Falls, New York. The total cost for this conference, including mileage and lodging, will be \$970.53.

Char aye
Mattheus absent
Smith aye
Stewart aye

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

WHEREAS, Section 2019-a of the Uniform Justice Court Act requires that town and village justices annually provide their court records and dockets to their respective town and village auditing boards, and that such records then be examined or audited and that fact be entered into the minutes of the board's proceedings; and

WHEREAS, the Unified Court System's *Action Plan for the Justice Courts*, announced November 2006, includes initiatives to improve accountability and controls over Justice Court finances and records, including an increased monitoring of town and village board compliance with section 2019-a; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Board of the Village of Goshen acknowledges that the required audit has been conducted by Michael Vernieri, CPA, and delivered to the Village on August 4, 2011.

Char aye
Mattheus absent
Smith aye
Stewart aye

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustee Stewart reported the following recent activities of the Department of Public Works: crews are out blacktop patching; catch basins are being cleaned and repaired; crews have been assisting with an energy audit of the village facilities; and crews were called out because of an oil spill on Fletcher Street at Golden Hill Avenue.

Trustee Char noted that the closing of Arden Hill Hospital, on August 5th, went smoothly, and the move to the new location at 707 East Main Street, in the Town of Wallkill was completed ahead of schedule.

Trustee Char reminded those present that it is now a primary offense to text while driving in NYS, and that observation by a Police Officer of a driver with a cell phone or other device in their hand is presumptive evidence of texting while driving and authorizes the Officer to pull you over and ticket you.

Trustee Smith commended the Justice Court Clerk for keeping costs associated with the Annual Conference down, by agreeing the share a room with another local Clerk.

Mayor Roddey urged residents to support their local businesses and to shop locally.

Citizens' Comments

Ann Cola and Laura Metzger asked several questions about broken water meters and street lights in Harness Estates.

Joel Markowitz asked questions about the Orange County Water Authority summary of leak study, dirt removal from the stockpile, and a consent order.

On a motion by Trustee Char, seconded by Trustee Stewart, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Char aye
Mattheus absent
Smith aye
Stewart aye