

Village Board Meeting
April 11, 2022

Members present: Mayor Wohl, Trustees O'Donnell and Scotto

Member via teleconference: Trustee Henderson

Member absent: Trustee Gurda

Also present: DPW Superintendent Birney, Village Clerk Darby, Attorney Donovan, Building Inspector Lewis, Police Chief Watt, and Village Treasurer Winters

Mayor Wohl called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Wohl revised the agenda to add the appointment of Margaret Shanley as the Senior Commissioner. On a motion by Trustee Henderson, seconded by Trustee O'Donnell, the Agenda was accepted as presented.

Gurda	absent
Henderson	aye
O'Donnell	aye
Scotto	aye

On a motion by Trustee Scotto, seconded by Trustee O'Donnell, the Minutes of the March 28, 2022 Village Board Meeting were accepted as presented.

Gurda	absent
Henderson	aye
O'Donnell	aye
Scotto	aye

Public Hearing

2022/2023 Village of Goshen Budget

On a motion by Trustee O'Donnell, seconded by Trustee Henderson, the Public Hearing was opened at 7:03pm.

Mayor Wohl then asked if there was public comment, which was then received.

George Lyons inquired about his request to increase the annual amount received from the Village to GOVAC from \$15,000 to \$25,000. Mr. Lyons explained that there has not been an increase in years, and there is a need to offer the GOVAC staff increases. Mayor Wohl confirmed that he did receive the request and that it is being considered.

Mayor Wohl asked if there were any comments from the Trustees or Department Heads, which there were not.

Mayor Wohl thanked Ms. Winters, along with the Department Heads for their efforts with the 2022/2023 Village budget.

On a motion by Trustee Henderson, seconded by Trustee Scotto, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:06pm.

Communications

1. Resignation of Trustee Dan Henderson

Mayor Wohl read the correspondence from Trustee Henderson regarding his retirement, which would take effect April 29, 2022. Trustee Henderson said that this was a difficult decision, however, he retired from law enforcement three months ago and would be moving down South. Mayor Wohl thanked Trustee Henderson for all of he did while being on the Village Board for three years, and for his 20 years with the Village of Goshen Police Department, and 8 years with Harriman, where he retired from.

2. Village Wide Earth Day Clean Up 4/23/22

Mayor Wohl shared that the Village will be holding a Village wide cleanup event for Earth Day 2022 on April 23, 2022, with many partners in the Village. The cleanup event will be from 12pm – 2pm, and residents can go to Erie Street Park for assignments.

Items of Business

1. Authorize ARPA Funds

RESOLUTION 37 of 2022

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW THE \$275,383.78 IN ANTICIPATED ARPA FUNDS TO BE INTENDED FOR VILLAGE WATER INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, the Village is expected to receive \$275,383.78 in ARPA funds as a second allocation in the Summer of 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Village needs to identify a use for the funds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the Village approves the use of ARPA funds to be intended for the Village Water Infrastructure as allowed in Overview of the Final Rule by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Scotto and seconded by Trustee O'Donnell. The vote was 4 ayes to 0 nays with 0 abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on April 11, 2022.

2. Relevy of Unpaid Water/Sewer Balances

RESOLUTION 38 of 2022

A RESOLUTION TO RELEVY \$277,992.25 OF UNPAID WATER/SEWER BALANCES ON THE 2022/2023 VILLAGE PROPERTY TAXES

WHEREAS, there is an unpaid balance on water/sewer billing; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the following was approved:

1. Unpaid water/sewer balances in the amount of \$277,992.25 will be relevied on the 2022/2023 property taxes.

Motion to adopt by Trustee Henderson and seconded by Trustee O'Donnell. The vote was 4 ayes to 0 nays with 0 abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on April 11, 2022.

3. Approval to Apply for Grants

Chief Watt discussed the two grants the department would like to apply for: Cyber security to enhance hardware and software within the Village, as well as unified email addresses throughout the Village, and the other grant opportunity is to obtain a camera system that could be monitored remotely for assembly areas within the Village including the church park and the downtown area.

RESOLUTION 39 of 2022

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW THE VILLAGE OF GOSHEN TO APPLY FOR TWO GRANTS FOR THE VILLAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR A CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM AND A CYBER SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Village Police Department identified two grant opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Village Police Department would immensely benefit from said grants; and

WHEREAS, the Village Police Department is not eligible to directly apply for the grant; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the Village of Goshen Board approves the following grants to be applied for through the Village of Goshen for the Village of Goshen Police Department:

1. CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM
2. CYBER SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

Motion to adopt by Trustee O'Donnell and seconded by Trustee Henderson. The vote was 4 ayes to 0 nays with 0 abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on April 11, 2022.

4. Schedule Public Hearings

In brief, the public hearings are for housekeeping laws. One law is for being able to change the rate for towing through a resolution. The other law is to amend the parking restriction on McNally Street, to only be no parking during school hours.

RESOLUTION 40 of 2022

A RESOLUTION SCHEDULING THE PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR TWO LOCAL LAWS ON MONDAY, APRIL 25, 2022 AT 7PM:

TITLE: AMENDING CHAPTER 54, ENTITLED, "TRAFFIC," TO THE EXTENT OF MODIFYING CHAPTER 54-6 ENTITLED "IMPOUNDMENT, REDEMPTION OF VEHICLES."

TITLE: AMENDING CHAPTER 54 ENTITLED, "TRAFFIC," TO THE EXTENT OF ADDING A NEW SECTION, SECTION 54-230 TO DIVISION 3 OF CHAPTER 54, WHICH IS ENTITLED "PARKING RESTRICTED."

WHEREAS, the Village of Goshen Attorney has modified two local laws at the direction of a Resolution from the Village Board; and

WHEREAS, a Public Hearing must be scheduled; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the following laws will be heard at a Public Hearing on April 25, 2022 at 7:00 pm:

1. **TITLE: AMENDING CHAPTER 54, ENTITLED, "TRAFFIC," TO THE EXTENT OF MODIFYING CHAPTER 54-6 ENTITLED "IMPOUNDMENT, REDEMPTION OF VEHICLES."**
2. **TITLE: AMENDING CHAPTER 54 ENTITLED, "TRAFFIC," TO THE EXTENT OF ADDING A NEW SECTION, SECTION 54-230 TO DIVISION 3 OF CHAPTER 54, WHICH IS ENTITLED "PARKING RESTRICTED."**

Motion to adopt by Trustee O'Donnell and seconded by Trustee Scotto. The vote was 4 ayes to 0 nays with 0 abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on April 11, 2022.

5. Abstract #10

RESOLUTION 41 of 2022

A RESOLUTION EXAMINING ABSTRACT NUMBER 10 FOR FISCAL YEAR 6/1/21 – 5/31/22 FOR CHECK NUMBERS 20349 THROUGH 20467 TOTTALLING \$1,094,564.57

WHEREAS, bills as examined by members of the Board were approved in accordance with Abstract 2021/2022 number 10; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that the following were approved:

1. Check numbers 20349 through 20467; and
2. Abstract number 10 in the amount of \$1,094,564.57; and

Motion to adopt by Trustee Scotto and seconded by Trustee O'Donnell. The vote was 4 ayes to 0 nays with 0 abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on April 11, 2022.

6. Appointment of Senior Commissioner

Mayor Wohl acknowledged and thanked Louise Hingul for the last 9 years as the Senior Commissioner to the Goshen Senior Center Board of Directors.

RESOLUTION 42 of 2022

A RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MARGARET SHANLEY AS THE SENIOR COMMISSIONER TO THE GOSHEN SENIOR CENTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM OF 3 YEARS

WHEREAS, a Village resident that qualifies, is appointed as the Senior Commissioner to the Goshen Senior Center Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, there is a vacancy for said position after Ms. Hingul resigned from the position after serving in the role for 9 years; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY,

RESOLVED, that Margaret Shanley is hereby appointed the Senior Commissioner to the Goshen Senior Center Board of Directors for a term of 3 years effective immediately.

Motion to adopt by Trustee O'Donnell and seconded by Trustee Henderson. The vote was 4 ayes to 0 nays with 0 abstentions. The Mayor declared the Resolution adopted on April 11, 2022.

Department Head Comments

Chief Watt reported on the recent events at the school where students consumed unknown substances. In addition, he met with School Safety Committee and identified strategies to enact to help manage the issues. A grant was received from the AKC for \$7,500 to obtain another police dog.

Building Inspector Lewis reported about Limoncello expected to receive their CO on Wednesday. Mr. Lewis is currently overseeing two new projects, one at 260 Main Street and the other at 195 Montgomery Street. Mr. Lewis was sure to include on the permit to the applicant for 260 Main Street that the building is in the Architectural Design District.

DPW Superintendent Birney reported that on the Road side, sweeping of Village streets has taken place; removal of failed tree limbs on Fletcher and the removal of a tree stump at Village Hall; preparation to plant a new tree at Village Hall; continued to repair streets and lawns from plow damage; replaced failed Golden Hill culvert; and started cleanup of Village parks. On the Water side, hydrant flushing is expected to start this evening; repaired failed service valve box on Greenwich Avenue and also repaired a failed drain line at North Church Street Pump Stations. Lastly, on the Sewer side, sewer jetting of Mains throughout the Village continued, and they also cleared a sewer clog at Old Mile Track.

Village Clerk Darby reported that she continues to work with Trustee O'Donnell, specifically on the Recycle Coach app, and will be sure the updated website has a dedicated page to recycling.

Mayor/Trustee Comments

Trustee Scotto reported that plans are progressing to get well #3 online. In addition, Trustee Scotto shared that sewer plant maintenance and upgrades are also planned.

Trustee O'Donnell asked about the date of the tree planting, and Mr. Birney advised that the tree is expected to be planted on or before April 22, 2022. Trustee O'Donnell also thanked the Village Police Department for all that they do.

Mayor Wohl thanked Louise Hingul for her time and contributions as the Senior Commissioner for the last 9 years.

Citizens' Comments

George Lyons asked about the ARPA funds being used for water infrastructure. Mayor Wohl advised that currently, the plans would be for the rehabilitation of the old water plant at the reservoir, and also the design of the construction of the new treatment facility for well water that comes from Scotchtown Avenue.

George Lyons offered a suggestion to the Board of only picking up garbage once a week during winter months, as he didn't feel that there was a need for garbage pick-up twice a week during that time. Mayor Wohl thanked Mr. Lyons for his suggestion and advised that the Village would consider it.

On a motion by Trustee Scotto, seconded by Trustee Henderson, the Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Gurda	absent
Henderson	aye
O'Donnell	aye
Scotto	aye