

GOSHEN BOARD OF FINANCE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 25, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Allan Walker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Allan Walker, Ned Bixler, Russell Hurley, Jim Korner, Scott Tillmann, William Lane and alternates Alan Booth and Patrick Reilly. Also present was First Selectman, Bob Valentine.

Excused: Jim Korner

SEATING OF ALTERNATES: Ned Bixler made a motion, seconded by Scott Tillmann to seat Patrick Reilly as a regular member for this meeting. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Ned Bixler made a motion seconded by Scott Tillmann to accept the minutes of the August 28th meeting as presented. The motion carried with one abstention- William Lane.

THE FINANCIAL REPORT: The financial report for August 31, 2019 from Debbie Franklin was received and reviewed.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

The Tax Collector's report for August 31, 2019 was received and reviewed.

SELECTMAN'S REPORT: was given by Bob Valentine.

- The expected use of the Unassigned General Fund balance of \$195,034 in May actually finished up at \$58,503.14. Many departments came in under budget.
- The auditors have completed their work and will be here to present the audit at the October meeting of the Board of Finance.
- The Milton Road Rural Minor Collector project is coming along well and should be paved next week.
- An Economic Development Commission has been appointed and our next meeting on Economic Development will be open to the public. This meeting will be held Thursday, September 26, 2019 at 7:30 in the Goshen Center School Cafeteria.
- 620.5 acres on Beech Hill Rd. has recently been put on the market. The Board of Selectmen would like to explore the possibility of purchasing it to preserve the property. The selectmen would like to work with the Goshen Land Trust and State of Connecticut DEEP to obtain the necessary funds. The consensus of the Board of Finance was that this is a worthy project.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

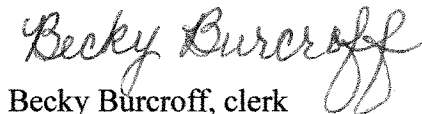
CORRESPONDENCE: None

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Mr Bixler had requested that the issue of unseating alternates when a regular member arrives late be discussed at this meeting. There are no clear cut statutes regarding this situation. The board was evenly divided so it was decided that they would continue to unseat an alternate when a regular member arrives as has been done in the past.
- It was suggested that we schedule an extra regular meeting between the April and May meetings to go over the budgets. Board of Finance members also requested that each department submit their capital requests at the same time that they submit their operating budgets. In this way the Board of Finance can keep a running total of expenses.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Scott Tillmann and seconded by Ned Bixler to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.


Becky Burcroff, clerk

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Attest 
Goshen Town Clerk