

GOSHEN BOARD OF FINANCE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

December 18, 2019

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

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

Excused: Ned Bixler

SEATING OF ALTERNATES: Jim Korner made a motion, seconded by William Lane to seat Patrick Reilly as a regular member for this meeting. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Jim Korner made a motion seconded by William Lane to accept the minutes of the November 20th meeting with the following correction: "Under Other Business an appropriation was made for the replacement of a truck for Public Works. It should be noted that the motion carried." The motion carried with two abstentions, (Russell Hurley & Scott Tillmann).

Patrick Reilly made a motion seconded by Jim Korner to make the following corrections to the October 25th minutes. The residual amount for Animal Control was \$567.45 not \$547.45 The residual amount for the Selectmen was \$896.59 not \$869.59. The total residual amount to be transferred was \$3,986.58. The motion carried.

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

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

The Tax Collector's report for November 30, 2019 was received and reviewed.

SELECTMAN'S REPORT: was given by First Selectman, Robert Valentine.

- The new Public Works loader has arrived and is being put to use.
- The new Public Works truck has been ordered and scheduled to be delivered at the end of January.
- There have been additional meetings with Warren and Morris leaders concerning averaging the ADM in Region #6. There has been some agreement that no town shall have an increase of more than 5% because of a change in student population.
- There have been two meetings with State representatives, Land Trust, and HVA concerning the purchase of the property at 65 Beach Hill Road consisting of 621 acres.

Both meetings were very positive and encouraging. The State is expected to announce its intentions soon.

- The Goshen Business Circle has raised donations of \$437.00 to facilitate the work of the EDC toward their goal of raising \$1,000.00. The funds need to be appropriated to the EDC Capital which needs to be created.
- We would like to use some of the budget "Marketing and Research" for clerical staff to take meeting minutes.
- The Town Aid Road Grant and Local Capital Improvement Projects Grant are in our budget but have not yet been funded. Hopefully this will be approved to be bonded by the state when they meet for a special session in January.
- Torrington, Litchfield and Goshen are applying through the NW Hills GOG for a Regional Performance Incentive Program grant to get additional funds for the Animal Control Facility.
- The Tax Collector is now sending out notices to delinquent tax payers.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OTHER BUSINESS

ADJOURN: A motion was made by Jim Korner and seconded by Scott Tillmann to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Becky Burcroff

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Board Clerk

Received Dec. 19, 2019 @ 1:56 P.M.

Attest Baibian L. Burr
Goshen Town Clerk