

Town of Goshen Board of Finance

PUBLIC HEARING FOR GENERAL FUND BUDGET YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2021

May 13, 2020

7:30 pm

This hearing was recorded via Zoom.us and is available as a recording on the Goshen website.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Allan Walker at 7:31 p.m.

Attendance: Allan Walker, chairman; Ned Bixler, vice chairman; Scott Tillmann; Jim Korner; Russell Hurley; Bill Lane, and alternates Patrick Reilly and Alan Booth.

Also present: Bob Valentine, First Selectman; Mark Harris, Selectman; Jeanne Sadowski; Dawn Wilkes; Chris Sanders

Mr. Walker introduced and asked for comment on the Budget for fiscal year 2020-2021. He explained that all but one capital expense, which is reimbursable for the Town Clerk's office, has been eliminated at this time in order to keep the mill rate stable. If conditions improve we will revisit the capital requests.

Mr. Valentine explained that the only substantial increase is from MIRA which is the result of the increase in tipping fee, effective July 1, 2020.

- Chris Sanders asked what happened to the Goshen bus for Seniors. Mr. Valentine answered that it is funded entirely by a grant and in-kind services so it no longer needs to be budgeted as an operating expense.
- Patrick Reilly suggested sending out a message to the town citizens by the emergency notification system that any questions and concerns can be emailed to the Board of Finance at [boardoffinance@goshenct.gov](mailto:boardoffinance@goshenct.gov) by noon on May 20, 2020.
- Jeanne Sadowski said she thought it would be valuable for the citizens of Goshen to know that it was mandated by the Governor to have the Board of Finance adopt a budget and set the mill rate.
- Chris Sanders thanked the Board of Finance for doing a great job in a difficult time.
- Patrick Reilly asked what the anticipated fund balance will be. Mr. Valentine said he thinks the fund balance will be approximately \$1,800,000.00.

Jim Korner made a motion seconded by Bill Lane to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Byrcroff  
Rebecca Byrcroff (RS)  
Rebecca Byrcroff, clerk

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Attest Megan Scanlon  
ASST. Goshen Town Clerk