

TOWN OF GOSHEN

BOARD OF FINANCE

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – June 22, 2022.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by chairman, Allan Walker. The meeting was a hybrid meeting held both on line and in person.

ATTENDANCE: Allan Walker, Scott Tillmann, Ned Bixler, and alternate Patrick Reilly. Also in attendance was First Selectman, Todd Carusillo
Excused: Bob Valentine, Jim Korner, Bill Lane, and Russell Murdock

SEATING OF ALTERNATE(S): Ned Bixler made a motion seconded by Scott Tillmann to seat Patrick Reilly as a regular member for this meeting. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR May 25, 2022: A motion was made by Scott Tillmann and seconded by Ned Bixler to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2022 meeting as presented. The motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

The financial reports from Debbie Franklin ending on May 31, 2022 were received and reviewed.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT: The Tax Collector's report for May 31, 2022 was received and reviewed. The Board of Finance feels that she is doing an excellent job.

Public Works Request: Garret Harlow, Public Works Supervisor, presented the Board of Finance with a request for \$15,000.00 to be used to purchase a bulldozer from Bill Colby. Mr. Harlow stated that he has some projects coming up where he will need to rent a bulldozer at a rate of approximately \$3,000/week. Similar machines are for sale online at about \$20,000. Bill Colby has agreed to sell the bulldozer to the town for \$14,000. Mr. Harlow is also requesting \$1,000 for any minor repairs that may be needed. Scott Tillmann made a motion seconded by Ned Bixler to appropriate \$15,000 from Unassigned Fund Balance to purchase this bulldozer and make some minor repairs. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT FROM FIRST SELECTMAN: given by Todd Carusillo

- Mr. Carusillo has been meeting with representatives to consider installing electric car charging stations in the Town Hall parking lot. He will give more information as things are firmed up.
- The Tax Collector has been offered \$67,000 to go to work for the Town of Winsted. She has no desire to leave, but has some requests for changes in benefits here in Goshen. She would like to have her husband added to the

insurance and would like to have a pension or 401K. This is not out of line with other employee's benefits. Mr. Carusillo will meet with the First Selectmen of Morris and Falls Village to work out the details.

- The Recreation Director has resigned. There are people in place to run the camp this summer. The opening for Director has been posted with a salary range of \$47,500 to \$51,000. Patrick Reilly stated that this was considered low when the last person was hired and it should be increased to a more reasonable figure. He said he believes that there was a letter from Randy Frank concerning this issue. Mr. Carusillo said he would look into it. Scott Tillmann also mentioned that they should take their time finding the right person since camp is covered. He recommends finding someone whose "Heart is in Goshen" rather than someone who is using the position as a stepping stone. Mr. Carusillo said that they will also consider a longer-term contract.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ANY OTHER BUSINESS proper to come before the meeting: None

ADJOURNMENT: Scott Tillmann made a motion seconded by Ned Bixler to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rebecca Burcroff
Rebecca Burcroff, clerk

Received June 23, 2022 @ 9:05 A.M.

Attest *Bartene K. Breen*
Goshen Town Clerk