## **GOSHEN BOARD OF FINANCE**

## **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

## November 16, 2022

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Allan Walker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
- 2. ATTENDANCE: Bill Lane, Jim Korner, Scott Tillmann, Allan Walker Chairman, Bob Valentine, Russell Murdock (Alternate), Pat Reilly and Todd Carusillo. Ned Bixler was excused

## 3. SEATING OF ALTERNATES:

Bob Valentine made a motion to seat Pat Reilly. It was seconded by Jim Korner and the motion passed.

- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Correction: Todd Carusillo attended the October 26, 2022, meeting.
  - Page 1 Summary of General Fund Balance, first paragraph:
    - o Stated: "Expenditures were low...". Restate as "...lower by"
  - Page 2 First paragraph:
    - Stated: This is due to <u>the timing</u> of the Capital nonrecurring transfers related to ARPA funds.".
      Restate as "This is due to Capital nonrecurring appropriations <u>being done later in year after the budget was adopted"</u>
  - Page 2 Fourth paragraph:
    - Stated: "It was concluded that a more appropriate treatment was to assign the money when it came in." Restate as "There was a question if ARPA funds received later in the year <u>required a</u> <u>receivable and George Sinnamon concluded that it did not."</u>
  - Page 2 –Sixth paragraph:
    - o Add to the sentence thanking the employees "... for the work and allowing a clean audit report."
  - Page 2 SELECTMAN'S REPORT First paragraph
    - o Capitalize "ARPA".
    - Change "Fire Department" to "Fire Company."
    - Restate as "Checks were \$25,000 for Tyler Lake Protective Association and \$25,000 for Friends of Westside".
  - Page 2 SELECTMAN'S REPORT Last paragraph
    - Stated "Chip Rorabach reviewed the Fire truck performance bond and recommended that it <u>be</u>
       <u>reviewed</u>." Restate as "Chip Rorabach reviewed the Fire truck performance bond and <u>found it in</u>
       <u>order</u> and recommended it be reviewed by CIRMA"
  - Page 3 First Paragraph
    - Stated "Barry Hall has approximately \$2000 plus \$199,000 from Fire company Donor and ARPA funds." Restate as "approximately \$2000 in donations and \$199,000 from ARPA funds
  - Page 3 Third Paragraph
    - Stated "The <u>reevaluation</u> is almost complete and property values are up about 25%.
    - o Change reevaluation to revaluation
    - o Strike the paragraph from the minutes as we don't know if the grand list will go up 25%

- Page 3 Fourth Paragraph
  - o <u>Legion 46</u> is <u>American Legion Post 46 on Sunset drive.</u>
  - Add "No action was taken"

Allan Walker made a motion to receive meeting minutes of October 26, 2022, with the changes noted above. It was seconded by all with No Nay votes

- 5. FINANCIAL REPORTS: Received and reviewed Financial Reports from Debbie Franklin dated October 31, 2022. Discussed and agreed that the \$4240 for the Old Middle Street Cemetery tree removal to come from Capital Non-Recurring Funds.
- 6. TAX COLLLECTORS REPORT Received and reviewed The Tax Collector's report dated October 31, 2022
- 7. SELECTMAN'S REPORT: Given by Todd Carusillo
  - Todd met with Chris Leone and the selectmen from the other towns about the surplus capital funds earmarked for Region 6. Goshen is to receive \$495,000. The first check for \$247,500 will come in June 2023 and the second check for \$247,500 in July 2024.
  - Todd talked to Tracy Cyr at Dime oil who advised waiting until after Thanksgiving for better prices. The price for oil is expected to be approximately double for next year.
  - Todd applied for a grant for the Goshen-Cornwall Bus.
  - Todd noted an increase in assistance requests of all kinds. Todd will conduct a 3 month survey on the needs for social services and requests for assistance.
  - Reported an average increase per household of 28% for real estate assessment.
  - Garret Harlow is applying for a TRIP grant to redo East Street North. Garret is working with CONNDOT
  - Bill Lane noted the Fire Company and Fire Commission often need a grant writer. It was stated that Federal dollars are available through Connecticut representatives which don't require grants and also that Darlene Demetri writes grants.
- 8. CORRESPONDENCE: None
- 2023 Board of Finance Meeting Calendar was Received and reviewed 9.
- **OTHER BUSINESS: None** 10
- 11 ADJOURN: Jim Korner made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Bill Lane The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

**Board of Finance Clerk** 

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