Town of Goshen

Board of Finance

Public Hearing and Special Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by chairman, Allan Walker. This was a hybrid meeting.

Attendance: Chairman Allan Walker, Vice Chairman Ned Bixler, Jim Korner, Bill Lane, Scott Tillmann, Bob Valentine and alternates Russell Murdock and Patrick Reilly. Also present were selectmen Todd Carusillo and Dexter Kinsella as well as Garret Harlow, Henrietta Horvay, Theresa Kelly, Lorraine Lucas, and John McKenna

Public Hearing:

Henrietta Horvay asked about the salary increases. Mr. Valentine clarified that while a 3% raise was given to elected officials and contracted people, the employees that are paid using the pay matrix, do not all receive a 3% raise. There is a 3% merit increase on a sliding scale based on the employee evaluation and where they are in the pay matrix. The increase in the salary for the financial person is due to the fact that the company she works for, King & King, raised their rates. The assistant tax collector has an increase in salary because she has taken classes so there were increased hours and she is now certified. There was an error in the amount noted for the selectmen. The figure will be corrected to reflect a 3% increase.

Mrs. Horvay asked about the cost for trimming at Tyler Lake. She was told that they are still trimming at the dam.

Mrs. Horvay also mentioned that the money in the Library Budget for computers had been taken out.

Theresa Kelly asked why there is still money in the budget for roadside mowing. It was explained that the new mower will not be in until October so they still need to rent a mower this summer.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:45pm and the special meeting was called to order.

Approval of Minutes: There were no comments on the minutes of the May 4, 2022 meeting so they were approved as presented.

Financial Reports: Debbie Franklin's reports were received and reviewed.

Tax Collector's Report: Bill Lane made a motion seconded by Ned Bixler to receive the Tax Collector's Report. The motion passed unanimously.

Selectman's Report: Nothing to report at this time.

Budget: Bob Valentine made a motion seconded by Bill Lane to:

- 1. Make an adjustment in the figure for Selectman's salaries to reflect a 3% increase
- 2. Take \$112, 000 out of the Public Works line item for truck replacement because it will be coming out of Unassigned Capital Non Recurring
- 3. Put \$1,650 back in the Library Capital Non Recurring for computers

The motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn: Bob Valentine made a motion seconded by Jim Korner to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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