# Town of Goshen BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING

## Tuesday, May 23, 2023

PRESENT: Todd M. Carusillo, Mark S. Harris

**EXCUSED:** Dexter S. Kinsella

OTHERS: Dawn Wilkes; Audrey Blondin; Henrietta Horvay; Scott Olson; Cindy Barrett; Don Wilkes; Robert

Harmon;. Goshen News.

1. Call to order: Todd M. Carusillo called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

- 2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 16, 2023: In a motion made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was voted to approve the minutes of May 16, 2023 as corrected. Under First Selectman's Report: "This is in violation of Goshen's Ordinance", should have read 'This is in violation of State Ordinance." Voted unanimous.
- 3. Matters Arising Out of the May 16, 2023 meeting: None
- 4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant May 25, 2023: In a motion made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, was voted to approve the total warrant and payroll of May 25, 2023 in the amount of \$42,253.01. Included was the warrant in the amount of \$15,150.06 and the payroll in the amount of \$27,102.95. Voted unanimous. Included in this warrant: Dan Kallmann, LLC Public Works truck \$2,640.112; Overhead Door Public Works garage door \$2,689.00

#### 5. First Selectman's Report:

"Black Board System" - refers to the system in place to address uptick in car break-ins, vandalism, etc. On West Side Road, a car was broken into. If this happens, our residents are asked to reported to Todd and State Police.

HR – 6607 Lights Out: This refers to House Bill 6607 to address migrating birds. Residents are asked to turn down property lights from 11:00 P.M. to 6:00 A.M. Migrating birds across Connecticut takes place April 1st to May 31st, and then again from September 1st to November 15th. The birds travel/navigate by the light of the moon and stars. Bright artificial lights can turn them off course. Turn off decorative lights, extinguish spot and flood lights, nonessential interior lighting, especially on upper floors, etc.

Residents are asked to put out garbage on the same day it's going to be picked up. Thus, the garbage is not sitting outdoors for several days unattended. BEARS ARE OUT! Both USA Hauling and Joe Rocco regularly find bear-proof garbage containers knocked around yards, roads, etc.

There are more compost bins here at Town Hall to be picked up. Recycle, compost and scrap.

Todd chose to share some good news of his family. His grandson was born this past weekend and bears the name of Todd Michael Carusilllo, III.

#### 6. Public Comment:

Audrey Blondin put forth her congratulations to Todd and his family on the announcement of his new grandson. She also congratulated Henrietta Horvay on her being honored this past weekend at the Acqua Turf by Connecticut Democrats to receive the Connecticut Leadership Award.

Bob Hamon, Goshen resident, spoke about the vandalism going on at night/early morning. He stressed the need for something to be done. He suggested a "town-wide" Task Force to be created to combat this issue. Contacting the State Police for guidance and help to make our homes/cars safe. Mark Harris a "neighborhood watch" may be helpful. (Litchfield is having a meeting to discuss having the SRO's be armed.)

7. Correspondence: None

#### 8. Old Business:

#### 8a. Appointment

In a motion made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was voted to appoint Clyde Breakell to the position Alternate Zoning Board of Appeals for a two (2) yr. term to expire on April 23, 2025. Voted unanimously.

#### 9. New Business:

### 9a. Annual Budget Meeting (Wednesday May 31, 2023): See attached.

First Selectman, Todd M. Carusillo read aloud the Warning – Annual Budget Meeting and Special Town Meeting, Town of Goshen. In a motion made by Selectman Mark S. Harris, seconded by First Selectman Todd M. Carusillo, it was voted to accept the call of the Annual Budget Meeting and Special Town Meeting for Wednesday, May 31, 2023. Voted unanimous.

- 10. Other Business: None
- 11. Adjournment: In a motion made by Mark S. Harris, it was voted to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectively submitted:

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide

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Attest

asst Goshen Town Clerk

# WARNING ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING AND SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF GOSHEN

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83094382895

Zoom is viewing only Voting will be held in person ONLY

Meeting ID: 830 9438 2895 Phone In: 1-929-205-6099

We, the Selectmen of the Town of Goshen, hereby give warning to persons legally entitled to vote thereat that the Annual Budget Meeting and a Special Town Meeting will be held in the Cafeteria of Goshen Center School in said Town of Goshen on Wednesday, May 31, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

- 1. Upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance, to consider and act upon a budget for the Town of Goshen for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.
- 2. To elect one member of the Board of Education of Regional School District #6 from the town of Goshen for the term to commence July 1, 2023 until the finalization of Regional District #6.
- 3. To authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and receive any state or federal grants for the benefit of the Town, provided that any appropriation of municipal funds shall be approved in advance by the Board of Finance, and if the amount exceeds \$20,000, a town meeting.

Dated at Goshen, Connecticut, this 23rd day of May, 2023.

Todd M. Carusillo

Dexter S. Kinsella

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Mark S. Harris

**BOARD OF SELECTMEN** 

Received May 24, 2023 @ 11:02 X.M

Goshen Town Clerk