

**Town of Goshen**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Tuesday May 25, 2021**

This meeting held and recorded via Zoom.us and is available as a recording

**PRESENT:** Robert P. Valentine, Mark S. Harris, Dexter S. Kinsella

**OTHERS:** Garrett Harlow, Supervisor of Public Works; John McKenna, Republican American

**1. Call to order:** Robert P. Valentine called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

**2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 18, 2021:**

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of May 18, 2021 as submitted. Voted unanimous.

**3. Matters Arising Out of the Minutes:** None

**4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – May 27, 2021**

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll of May 27, 2021 in the amount of \$62,667.15. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$24,881.72 and the warrant in the amount of \$37,785.43. Voted unanimous. Invoices highlighted: Connecticare (health insurance) - \$15,002.53; King, King Associates (Accounting Consultants) - \$1,1764.50.

**5. Public Comment:** None

**6. First Selectman's Report:**

The Annual Budget meeting will be held, Wednesday, May 26, 2021, at 8:00 p.m. at the Goshen Center School gymnasium. Bob Valentine read aloud the "Rules of Hybrid Annual Budget and Special Town Meeting". **Attached.**

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to accept the "*Rules of Hybrid Annual Budget and Special Town Meeting*", as read aloud by First Selectman, Bob Valentine. Voted unanimous.

The Goshen Town Hall is now open without a mask requirement, if the person(s) have been vaccinated. The Board of Selectmen have yet to agree that the Goshen Town Hall can now be used for boards and commissions to hold their regular meetings but most likely will in June. The "Hybrid" for Zoom type meeting will be available for those meetings to include those residents who may wish to attend said meeting for informational purposes as long as the Governor's executive orders are in place or if the Legislature amends the statutes to allow it.

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Bob reported that the working committee for RSD #6 met yesterday and are close to a final document for the creation of a “new” school district. The district will be comprised of Goshen, Litchfield, Morris and Warren. It is hoped to have the question of a merger will be put on the ballot for the November 2<sup>nd</sup> elections. The grammar schools would stay as they are currently, Junior High, grade 6 – 8 would be housed in Litchfield’s facilities and WAMOGO would be used for High School, grades 9-12.

At last week’s meeting the federal *American Rescue Plan* was discussed, wherein Goshen was to receive approximately \$847,922.00 in two (2) payments. Bob has just received updated news that Goshen will receive \$8,530 more than the previous estimate.

**7. Correspondence: None**

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris it was **voted** to add to the agenda under 9 New Business, 9a. Bid Opening: 3-4 Yd. Dump Truck. Voted unanimous.

**8. Old Business: None**

**a. Town Continuation of Operations RE: COVID-19 Governor Lamont’s Executive Orders:**

Bob received an email advising that there is only 1 of COVID-19 hospitalization case in Litchfield County.

**b. Appointments: None**

**c. Budgets:**

Some minor adjustments to the budget were made by the Board of Finance at their meeting last week. In that Summer Camp will now be more in line with past years, \$3000 was put back in staff salaries; other monies were moved to pay for a new Benthic Barrier in the lake.

**9. New Business:**

**9a. Bid Opening: 3-4 Yd Dump Truck:**

**BID: 3-4 YD. DUMP BODY, V SNOW PLOW and SPREADER  
(May 25, 2021)**

**Hartford Truck Equipment**  
95 John Fitch Blvd.  
South Windsor, CT 06074  
860-290-9516

Total price for one (1) Dump Body, Front Plow and Hitch system,  
S.S. Spreader, Lighting and Electrical System, and all required  
Items listed per specification or not; fully functioning plow truck:  
**\$ 31,250.00**

Additional Alternate Bid Items:

Total price for one (1) S.S. Dump Body (with equipment):  
**\$ 36,050.00**

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Total price for one (1) Electric Hydraulic Tarp System and original Body:

**\$ 2,100.00**

(Approximate 5 – 6 weeks after receipt of Chassis if ordered before September 2021.)

**Universal Body & Equipment, LLC**

17 Dinunzio Road

Oakville, CT 06779

860-274-7541

Total price for one (1) Dump Body, front Plow and Hitch System, S.S. Spreader, Lighting and Electrical System, and all required items listed per specifications or not; for fully functioning plow truck:

**\$ 34,404.00**

*\*This proposal is made with the understanding that it will not be withdrawn before elapsed time: All pricing subject to future steel surcharges without notice.*

Additional Alternative Items:

Total price for (1) S.S. Dump Body

**\$ 40,259.00**

Total price for one (1) Electric Hydraulic Tarp System:

**\$ 3,450.00**

(Rugby dump package – January, 2022.)

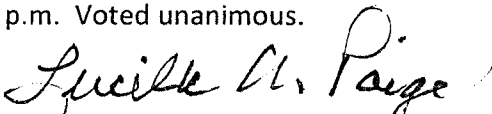
(Air Flo Body Package – November, 2021.)

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to forward the above bids to Garret Harlow, Supervisor of Public Works, for his review and recommendation. Voted unanimous.

**10. Any Other Business:** None

**11. Adjournment:**

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:28 p.m. Voted unanimous.

  
Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide



## Town of Goshen

### Rules of Hybrid Annual Budget and Special Town Meeting May 26, 2021

This meeting will be conducted pursuant to Governor Ned Lamont's Executive order No. 9H -1.a and 12B

Health precautions; the meeting will follow all CDC, State of Connecticut Department of Public Health, and Torrington Area Health District protocol as applicable.

The public may attend the meeting in person.

Those choosing to attend electronically via Zoom.us must be electors or tax payers of the Town of Goshen.

Each device logged into the meeting via Zoom.us will receive ***NO MORE THAN ONE VOTE PER QUESTION.***

Individuals wishing to listen to the meeting, without voting, can phone into the meeting using the Zoom phone in number and access code.