Town of Goshen BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REGULAR MEETING Tuesday June 14, 2022

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

PRESENT: Todd M. Carusillo, Mark S. Harris, Dexter S. Kinsella

OTHERS: Henrietta Horvay; Cindy Barrett; Audrey Blondin; Pamela and Winthrop Wilson; Joel Skelton; Craig and Delores Spring

- 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 31, 2022: In a motion made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was voted to approve the minutes of May 31, 2022, as submitted. Voted unanimous.
- 3. Matters Arising Out of the Minutes: None

4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – June 9, 2022:

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll of June 9, 2022 in the amount of \$48,464.15. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$24,810.51 and the warrant in the amount of \$23,653.64. **Voted unanimous**. Items of note: Cardmember Services: \$4,654.55; Pittsfield Comm.- \$2,869.00.

Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – June 16, 2022: In a motion made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was voted to approve the total warrant and payroll of June 16, 2022 in the amount of \$38,647.82. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$13,860.11. and the warrant in the amount of \$24,787.71. Voted unanimous. Items of note: John Hancock (pensions)-\$4,495.13; Lenard Engineering - \$4,795.05; Target Enterprises (catch basins)-\$2, 119.90.

5. First Selectman's Report:

Last week's COVID-19 cases in Litchfield County from the State of CT were not given out. TAHD had a figure of 8 new cases; 4 overall in Goshen.

Selectman Harris and Todd attended the Sustainable CT meeting last Friday night; it was a good evening.

The Pavilion footings are being poured and installed at Camp Coch. Both Todd and Selectman Kinsella will visit the site tomorrow for inspection.

Todd announced that a letter of resignation has been received from Katie Hennessey, Recreation Director. A search committee will be formed to begin interviews for her replacement.

Todd is awaiting required approvals from the officials of the Tibet Fest that applied for a town permit.

A plumber came to the Town Hall to do an inspection on the Hydro Air System.

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Todd reported that he attended of a meeting with *Eversource* regarding a functional exercise from June 21st through June 23rd to test the processes and procedures per their Emergency Response Plan.

6. Public Comment:

Henrietta Horvay was grateful for having the electric door opener at front door of Town Hall to be fixed.

Audrey Blondin expressed her appreciation for the Board and Dexter Kinsella for their leadership and support for the LGBTQ Pride Month event.

Craig Spring stated that the Pride Flag that is flying on "Route 63 is not appropriate on *public* property; Pride supporters are free to fly their flag on their own property. The flag does not represent the general population of Goshen. What if ISIS, or NAZIs or BLM wish to fly their flags in public?"

Winthrop Wilson was in agreement with Mr. Spring in that "the flag raising opens all variations of political groups to demand "their" flag be flown also. Opens a can of worms."

Todd is going to get a copy of the ordinance from Southington regarding flag/signage of any organization on Town owned property, and submit it to Attorney Chip Roraback for review and advisement. Results from Chip Roraback's opinion may create a need to conduct a Special Town meeting. In that there are only 2 more weeks in June, the Pride flag can stay until then.

Town gets 3% of fees on usage of the Electric Car Charger.

Joel Skelton asked if the agreement with Morris and Falls Village (for the tax collector), is in writing and if it was agreed to have those towns pay 1/3 of her benefits. Todd explained the final agreement was now in writing and on file.

7. Correspondence: None

8. Old Business:

8a. Proclamation LGBTQ Pride Month:

This was done last week with the flag planted and the Proclamation being read.

9. New Business:

Todd is pleased to announce that William Clinton has been hired to serve as Fire House Maintenance for the year 2022-2023.

Todd received a call from *Artis Energy* (charging stations) for the Town Parking lot. He will be meeting with people from *Juice Bar* this Thursday to obtain quotations/prices for their charging stations. Goshen may receive 3% incentive for usage of electric car charges.

9a. Letter of Recommendation: S&S Asphalt & Paving, Inc.

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In a motion made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was voted to accept the recommendation submitted by Garret Harlow, Supervisor of Public Works, to accept the bid for Full Depth Road Reclamation-2022 from S&S Asphalt & Paving, Inc. on behalf of the Town of Goshen. Voted unanimous.

9b. Resolution: Names of Banks and Depositories:

Todd Carusillo read aloud the complete Resolution. Copy attached.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approved the *Resolution* designating said banks as depositories for the Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Recreation Commission and Library of the Town of Goshen. Voted unanimous.

10. Other Business:

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the hiring of Town Hall maintenance person through First Selectman Todd Carusillo. Voted unanimous.

11. Adjournment:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:21 p.m. Voted unanimous.

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TOWN OF GOSHEN

RESOLUTION

At a meeting of the <u>Board of Selectmen</u> of the <u>Town of Goshen</u> held on the 14th day of June 2022, a Resolution was adopted designating the following banks as official depositories for the Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Recreation Commission and Library of the Town of Goshen.

NAMES OF BANKS & DEPOSITORIES

Bank of America
Litchfield Bancorp
Union Savings Bank
The Torrington Savings Bank
Edward Jones
State of Connecticut – STIF account (short term investment funds)
National Iron Bank

This Resolution was passed in order that the Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Recreation Commission and Library of said Town might avail themselves of the protection afforded by Sec. 7-401 and Sec. 7-402 of the C.G.S. relating to depository banks. A certified copy of the Resolution designating the depositories has been filed in the Town Clerk's Office.

Barbara Breor, Town Clerk