Town of Goshen

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday March 1, 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; Scott Olson; Judy Armstrong;

1. Call to order: Todd M. Carusillo called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of February 22, 2022:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of February 22, 2022 as submitted. Voted unanimous.

3. Matters Arising Out of the Minutes: None

4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – March 3, 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 March 3, 2022 in the amount of \$79,071.03. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$13,442.65 and the warrant in the amount of \$65,628.38. Voted unanimous. Items of note: Connecticare-\$10,699.80; Morton Salt - \$34,466.59; Segalla Sand & Gravel-\$4,587.98.

5. First Selectman's Report:

COVID-19 again has been reduced - to 2. This is awesome news.

Goshen's Economic Development Commission sent Todd a preview copy of their new brochure. It was done nicely great color photos and containing a lot of good information regarding future plans for Goshen.

Randi Franks sent their new updated "payroll matrix" for salaries. Todd sent this information onto the Board of Finance for their review.

The proposed Animal Control Facility (located in Torrington) that has seen a lot of negotiations over the past several years. Last total for construction of this facility was \$2.7 million. Goshen has \$136,000 budgeted for it. (Litchfield is *out* of that initial arrangement.) Todd has spoken to Chris Byrnes of Stone Hill about becoming Goshen's Animal Control officer- using his facilities for the animals, etc. Litchfield may be on board to join us. It was suggested to contact other animal facilities in the area such as Diamond Creek and the Little Guild in Cornwall to what may be competitive.

Mark S. Harris spoke about Patrick Lucas and the discussions at last week's P&Z meeting. This item will be on the P&Z agenda for their meeting of March 22, 2022. Mark also spoke with Tom Hennick of the FOIA regarding *requirement of taking attendance* public meetings. Attendance at municipal meetings is **NOT** required. *Title 1-225E) It is not required to take attendance. However, those individuals who wish to have it noted that they <u>are</u> in attendance is permitted.

6. Public Comment: Henrietta Horvay referring to the tractor bids, wanted the *Total Price* to be *defined* in what was included (parts/options, etc.) Selectman Carusillo defined the quotation. Garret Harlow Supervisor of Public Works is putting together a chart of parts/expenses for clarity.

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7. Correspondence:

MIRA (Materials Innovation and Recycling Authority) sent notice/amendment of tipping fee FY 2023 initially at \$116/ton down to \$111/ton - short term fees. This action was taken to further town favorable consideration and execution of the amendment.

Bob Leigh of Yucatech, our computer programming company, has suggested that due to the dangers of cyberspace hacking (with Russia/Ukraine conflict), a cyberspace security software can be given to our computer users (31). The cost is \$744/per year. Todd has passed this cost into the Board of Finance for consideration.

Pat O'Reilly stopped into the meeting to announce that Jeff Johnson has retired from the Friends of the Goshen Library. Jeff has served the Goshen Public Library for many years of which all are very grateful.

8. Old Business:

8a. Appointments: None

8b. Budgets: None

9. New Business:

9a. Proposal for Survey Services -Bridge 05155:

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SURVEY SERVICES BRIDGE 05155

Total price for all field Survey Work and creation of digital mapping per Scope of Services #1-15, Additional Information #1-3, Survey Limit Map, Hydraulic Cross Section Map, and Typical Channel Section and Notes.

Total Price: BSC Group-Connecticut \$19,500

655 Winding Brook Drive Glastonbury, CT 06033 617-896-4564

LANDTECH \$22,500

518 Riverside Avenue Westport, CT 06680 203-454-2110

\$13,500 Hrica Associates, LLC

44 Maple View Trail P.O. Box 1861

Litchfield, CT 06759

860-567-2112

Timothy G. Wyllie, Land Surveyor, LLC \$ 9,900

122 Old North Road Barkhamsted, CT 06063 860-605-9075 **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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9b. Wetland Delineation Services – Repair to Bridge -05155 WETLAND DELINEATION SERVICES Repair Bridge 05155 West Hyderdale Dr. over Marshapaug River

Total price for all field Wetland Delineation, Creation of Reports and Forms and Maps per Scope of Services #1-7 and attachment Survey Limit Map:

<u>Total Price</u> \$ 5,500.00

Soil Science and Environmental Services, Inc.

95 Silo Drive Rocky Hill, CT 06067 203-272-7837

LANDTECH \$ 5,470.00

518 Riverside Avenue Westport, CT 06680 203-454-2110

BSC Group-Connecticut \$ 5,000.00

655 Winding Brook Drive Glastonbury, CT 06033 617-896-4564 (Rob Newton)

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

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to add to the agenda under item 9 New Business, 9c, Tax Collector's Report – 2 28 2022. Voted unanimous.

9c. Tax Collector's Report: 2/28/2022:

Adjusted Tax Levy (as of moth end - \$11,805,520.20. Current year collection rate –(collected vs. tax levy) – 98.75%. Collection rate – collected less refunds vs. total budgeted: 100.71%

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to receive the Tax Collector's Report of 2/28/2022 as submitted. Voted unanimous.

10. 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 5:38 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide