

**TOWN OF GOSHEN  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, May 28, 2019**

PRESENT: Robert P. Valentine, Dexter S. Kinsella, Steven M. Romano

**1** Robert P. Valentine called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**2. Approve the minutes of the May 21, 2019 regular meeting:**

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2019 meeting as presented. Voted unanimous.

**3. Matters Arising out of the minutes:** None

**4. Approval of Payroll and Warrant of May 30, 2019:**

In a **motion** made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll for May 30, 2019 in the amount of \$30,357.26. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$12,164.02 and warrant in the amount of \$18,193.24. Voted unanimous. Included in the warrant were invoices in the amount of \$1169.20 for J.W. Tractor; \$2,244.00 Northeast Aquatic and \$3,023.00 for Northeast Crack Fill.

**5. Public Comment:** None

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

Bob Valentine reported that the funding to the Teachers Retirement System, a colossal unfunded state mandate is still alive in the legislature. The proposal requires *municipalities* to contribute \$73 million per year, i.e., shifting such payments onto Connecticut property owners. Combine this with the proposal to cut Education Cost Sharing (ECS) to the towns, the municipalities have no time to adjust to these reductions.

Two residents have shown interest in filling two upcoming vacancies on the Region 6 Board of Education.

Bob has locked Goshen into the prices offered by *Dime Oil Company* for the upcoming year: Heating Oil -\$2.2636; Diesel Fuel- \$2.2433; Gasoline-\$2.0680.

A reminder goes out to those interested in *Economic Development Committee*, understanding a potential economic development proposal, an informal gathering will take place this Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, at Camp Coch at 5:30 p.m. Information about what economic development is and how it would relate to a town such as Goshen will be discussed.

Bob Valentine reported on his conversation with RSD 6, Superintendent, Chris Leone, regarding the lease of the land adjacent to the Town Hall parking lot, near the tennis courts, for the installation of solar panels. Draft language of the agreement has been forwarded to Attorney Chip Roraback for legal review. In the draft agreement RSD 6 has agreed to maintain the existing tennis courts.

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All Goshen residents are reminded of the important **Annual Budget Meeting** and **Special Town Meeting, tomorrow – Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 p.m. at the Goshen Center School cafeteria.**

Bob Valentine reported that a second notice has been served to the Town regarding a property assessment appeal to the Superior Court in Torrington. This notice has been forwarded to the appropriate attorneys to handle such case.

**7. Correspondence:** None

**8. Old Business:**

**8a. Appointments:**

**In a motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was **voted** to appoint Edward (Ned) Bixler to Northwest Regional Mental Health . Voted unanimous.

**9. New Business:** None

**10. Any other Business:** None

**11. Adjournment:**

**In a motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:26 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide