

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday January 11, 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

1. Call to order: Todd M. Carusillo called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of January 4, 2022:

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of January 4, 2022. Motion passed with Dexter S. Kinsella abstaining.

3. Matters Arising Out of the Minutes: None.

4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – January 13, 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 January 13, 2022 in the amount of \$59,929.77. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$27,105.81 and the warrant in the amount of \$32,823.96. Voted unanimous. Items of note: EMT Books, EMT Course: \$5,460.70; John Hancock (Pensions) \$5,208.72.

5 . Public Comment: None

6. First Selectman's Report:

COVID-19 has risen to 39 cases in Litchfield County Hospitals .

In review of those budgets presented last week, *Board of Assessment Appeals* showed an increase that can be attributed the extra hours that are needed for the **revaluation** that is to be done.

The town received 3,840 masks and 180 COVID test kits. All were distributed to the public. 2,900 masks are still available at town hall; those who need the masks are welcome to them.

Ms. Ronnie Loggins is unable to assume the job of Board Clerk for Commissions (December 28, 2021 minutes). As such the employment ad will be posted again.

7. Correspondence:

It appears that *Bay State Consultants* have cut ties with CCM. We need to lock into an electricity rate for 2023; currently we are paying .0832 cents per kwh. Todd is investigating the continued role of CCM in this situation and awaiting their response.

With reference to the breakfast/dinner allowances being increased for the Public Works department and the personnel of Goshen's Fire Company, Todd had a conversation with Mark Wasdo from AJ's Steak & Pizza restaurant regarding the increase in allowances are now up to \$12.00- no sales tax. Mark will work with the town and forward invoices from the men accordingly.

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8. Old Business:

8a. Appointments: None

8b. Budgets:

The following budget “**projections**” were presented for review:

Fire Commissioners	Land Use Enforcement
Inland Wetlands Commission	Miscellaneous Expenditures

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to receive the budget “projections” as submitted. Voted unanimous.

9. New Business: None

10. Other Business:

Selectman Kinsella, upon a request from several Goshen residents, suggested “Public Comment”, item 5 on the BOS agenda, be moved down to item 6, while item 6, First Selectman’s Report be moved up to item 5. It was felt that this change of order on the agenda would enable the public to have more input on items presented by the First Selectman. After some discussion, a motion was made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, to adjust the items on the BOS agenda to reflect **item 5. First Selectman’s Report** and **Item 6. reflect Public Comment with public comments to be limited to 2 minutes per person**. Voted unanimous.

11. Adjournment:

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

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman’s Aide