

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, March 15, 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: Marty Harris; Henrietta Horvay; Cindy Barrett; Audrey Blondin; Barry Hall; John McKenna, Republican American; Dawn Wilkes; Brigget Michaud; Mady Flynn; Chris Sanders; Don Wilkes

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 March 8, 2022:

In a motion made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was voted to approve the minutes of March 8, 2022 as submitted. Voted unanimous.

3. Matters Arising Out of the Minutes: Regarding the Resolution for Support of Ukraine, Selectman Dexter Kinsella requested that the word "crisis" be deleted from the minutes of March 8, 2022, under Public Comment. The Resolution supports the country of Ukraine, not a crisis.

4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – March 10, 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 17, 2022 in the amount of \$102,785.26. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$20,829.56 and the warrant in the amount of \$81,955.70 Voted unanimous. Items of note: Credit Card- \$5,782.12; Harvest Moon (timber frame for Pavilion – \$11,460.00; Lemelin Environmental (fuel tracking) – \$12,097.00; Sepples Tree (removal) - \$9,500.00.

5. First Selectman's Report:

COVID-19, in Litchfield County – Monday it was 0, unfortunately on Tuesday, it was 1.

The water leak at Camp Coch has been fixed. It needed replacement of the antiquated clogged filter with two updated cannisters.

Todd attended the Connecticut Department of Housing Workshop; Small Cities CD 101 from 9:00 a.m. to ~~1:00~~ ^{1:30} p.m. This concerned grant writing for applications.

Todd brought attention to the great articles in the newest issue of *Town Topics* regarding "recycling". He asks that everyone follow the important guidelines put forth on the "Goshen Website" also. Much information on composting is now available.

Approvals for the "Goshen Stampede" have begun coming in.

The Tax Collector reported today, that collections as of 3/15/2022 were 99%.

Litchfield County Dispatch approved their budget; Goshen's charges went from \$38,941.00 down to \$36,832.00. Nice little savings.

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6. Public Comment:

Audrey Blondin publicly thanked everyone for approval of the Ukraine support resolution; the Litchfield Bd of Selectmen may follow in adoption of same.

Henrietta Horvay noted that "Ukraine" was spelled incorrectly on the BOS agenda for March 15, 2022.

Upon her question of whether the construction of the Pavilion at Camp Coch had begun, she was told it had not, in that the second deposit had just been mailed.

Mr. George Burka, Goshen resident, asked if it is permissible to set up a "spent nuclear fuel storage" facility on his property. Mr. Burka was given the information to contact Marty Connors of Planning & Zoning to move forward with his request.

7. Correspondence: None

8. Old Business:

8a. Appointments:

Mark S. Harris put forth the name of Ms. Dawn Wilkes for the open position on the Board of Assessors.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to appoint Dawn Wilkes to the Board of Assessors term to expire 10/31/2022. Voted unanimous. Todd lauded Ms. Wilkes for her 20yrs experience as an Appraiser.

8b. Budgets: Fire Protection; Insurance; Cemeteries (including Old Middle Street Cemetery)

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to receive the aforementioned budget projections with the understanding that they may be subject to adjustments. Voted unanimous.

9. New Business:

9a. The Resolution for the *Support for Ukraine* was adopted at the BOS meeting of March 8, 2022. The Resolution was adopted by motion at the BOS meeting of March 8, 2022. (See attached)

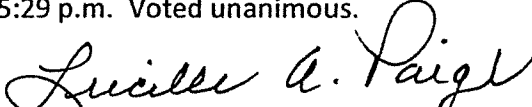
A Resolution Adopting the Northwest Hills Council of Governments Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2022-2027 was read aloud by Selectman Dexter S. Kinsella. (See attached)

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, the aforementioned Resolution was adopted March 15, 2022 by **unanimous vote**.

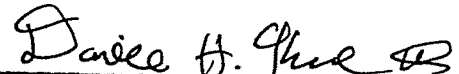
10. Other Business: Todd will bring the request from Bob Leigh (Yucatech) to add cyber security (for e-mails) to our system here at Town Hall to the Board of Finance at their meeting of March 23, 2022.

11. Adjournment:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:29 p.m. Voted unanimous.


Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide

Received March 16th, 2022, 1:45 PM

Attest 
Goshen Town Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION
TOWN OF GOSHEN BOARD OF SELECTMEN

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE NORTHWEST HILLS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN UPDATE, 2022-2027**

WHEREAS, the Town of Goshen has historically experienced severe damage from natural hazards and it continues to be vulnerable to the effects of those natural hazards profiled in the plan (e.g. *flooding, high wind, thunderstorms, winter storms, earthquakes, droughts, dam failure, and wildfires*), resulting in loss of property and life, economic hardship, and threats to public health and safety; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Goshen Board of Selectmen approved the previous version of the Plan in 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Goshen and Northwest Hills Council of Governments developed and received conditional approval from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the Hazard Mitigation Plan Update, 2022-2027 under the requirements of 44 CFR 201.6; and

WHEREAS, public and committee meetings were held and public input was sought in 2020 and 2021 regarding the development and review of the Hazard Mitigation Plan Update, 2022-2027; and

WHEREAS, the Plan specifically addresses hazard mitigation strategies and Plan maintenance procedure for the Town of Goshen; and

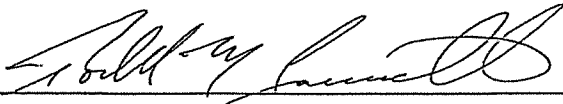
WHEREAS, the Plan recommends several hazard mitigation actions/projects that will provide mitigation for specific natural hazards that impact the Town of Goshen, with the effect of protecting people and property from loss associated with those hazards; and

WHEREAS, adoption of this Plan will make the Town of Goshen eligible for funding to alleviate the impacts of future hazards; now therefore be it

RESOLVED by the Board of Selectmen:

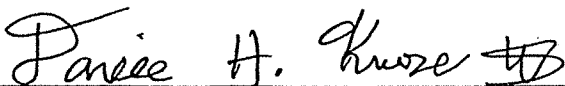
1. The Plan is hereby adopted as an official plan of the Town of Goshen;
2. The respective officials identified in the mitigation strategy of the Plan are hereby directed to pursue implementation of the recommended actions assigned to them;
3. Future revisions and Plan maintenance required by 44 CFR 201.6 and FEMA are hereby adopted as a part of this resolution for a period of five (5) years from the date of this resolution.
4. An annual report on the progress of the implementation elements of the Plan shall be presented to the Board of Selectmen.

Adopted this 15 day of March, 2022 by the Board of Selectmen of Town of Goshen, Connecticut

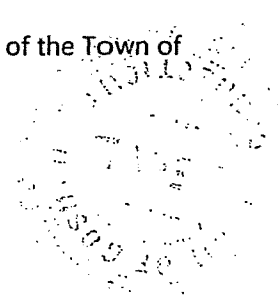


First Selectman

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has affixed his/her signature and the corporate seal of the Town of Goshen this 16 day of March 2022.



Town Clerk



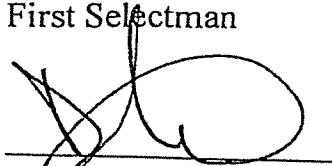
**AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION OF THE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF GOSHEN**

SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE

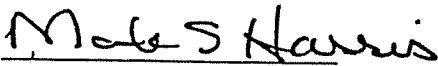
We the undersigned, Board of Selectmen of the Town of Goshen, Connecticut do hereby proclaim our support for Ukraine, a sovereign nation under an illegal invasion by the hostile Russian government, and our support for the people of Ukraine in their pursuit of the Divine Rights of Liberty, Justice, Freedom, and Self-Determination.



Todd M. Carusillo
First Selectman



Dexter S. Kinsella
Selectman



Mark S. Harris
Selectman

March 15, 2022

Received March 16th, 2022, 11:08 AM

Attest Danée H. Ghera
Goshen Town Clerk