

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday May 3, 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; Annette Lott; Dave Boisvert;

1. Call to order: Todd M. Carusillo called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of April 26, 2022:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of April 26, 2022 as corrected. Voted unanimous.

3. Matters Arising Out of the Minutes: State Representative Maria Horn is her correct title (She, in error, was identified as "Senator").

4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – May 5, 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 May 5, 2022 in the amount of \$22,054.62; Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$12,091.53 and the warrant in the amount of \$9,963.09. **Voted unanimous.** Items of note: Mountain Top Trucking (stone) - \$1,988.56.

5. First Selectman's Report:

Last week COVID-19 cases in Litchfield County are holding at 0. Continued good news.

Todd reported that Goshen now has their own Animal Control Unit; some small equipment has been distributed to that department, i.e, uniforms, gloves, snares, bags, etc. Animal Control information has been posted on the website and will be found in the June issue of *Town Topics*.

The Board of Finance moved monies from the former animal control (Torrington contract) over to Capital. Overall the budget will show some long term savings and some short term savings.

The Board of Finance also moved \$15K unassigned capital-non recurring to Recreation to complete the construction of the Pavilion.

Monies for replacement of windows in the Library budget was moved over to the "building maintenance" in the town budget. Consideration will have to be given to replacement of windows in the Town Clerk's office as well.

Town Attorney Chip Roraback has reviewed and corrected some local ordinances: Title 25A Peddlers and Hawkers, the First Selectman has the right to reject commercial salesmen from soliciting from private homes; Title 69, Animal Control, is being worked on; along with Title 67, fees coming in to Town Hall for animal calls; Title 27, a new ordinance for our Building Dept. regarding dumpsters.

6. Public Comment:

Audrey Blondin stated that the link for the agenda for didn't work for her. She also wanted to send to Todd the information on the legislation that was approved (*Connecticut Mirror*) allowing the continuance for remote access for the public regarding municipal meetings. She also suggested that e-mail links for town employees be placed on the Goshen website.

Henrietta Horvay expressed her confusion over the senior citizen programs in Goshen. There is the Goshen Community Care and Hospice and some listings in Town Topics where seniors are urged to attend such as the "Tuesday Cruise Social" and the Recreational Commission lists some "senior" programs. Can someone investigate?

Cindy Barrett suggested it may be a good idea to list the Town Hall workers e-mail on the Goshen website. Litchfield has that on their town website.

7. Correspondence:

Suburban Transportation dba "Valley Cab" has made application to the State of CT to do business in the small towns here in northwest Conn., including Goshen. When completed, it will bring cab service to Goshen and other surrounding towns.

A question has arisen regarding the availability of the "canoe racks" located at Camp Coch. The canoe rack is ***closed to public use during the weeks that camp is in session*** (6 weeks) for the **safety** of the children. Strangers walking among the children presents a clear and present danger to them, the counselors, etc.

8. Old Business:

8a. Appointments:

Two appointments that previously were mentioned are "on hold" pending receipt of letters of resignations from said members. Upon receipt of said letters, new appointments will be put forward.

8b. Budgets: None

9. New Business: None

10. Other Business: Selectman Mark Harris passed along thanks to all those who participated in "GIVE LOCAL" to the non-profits. Our local charitable organizations did very well.

11. Adjournment:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. Voted unanimous.