

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday May 17, 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; Dave Bosivert; Don Wilkes; Bridgett Michaud; Paul Collins.

1. Call to order: Todd M. Carusillo called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 10, 2022 and Public Hearing May 10, 2022:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of May 10, 2022, as submitted. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing, May 10, 2022 as submitted. Voted unanimous.

3. Matters Arising Out of the Minutes: None

4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – May 19, 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 19, 2022 in the amount of \$29,406.31. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$12,629.11 and the warrant in the amount of \$16,777.20. **Voted unanimous.** Items of note: Hartford Healthcare - \$1,750.00; MIRA (recycling) - \$11,020.80.

5. First Selectman's Report:

Last week COVID-19 cases in Litchfield County per the State of CT holding at 0. However, some cases of COVID 19 week reported for Goshen. Town Hall employees have all been tested and all tests were reported "negative".

The May 14th, Senior Fishing Derby for 60 yrs + was a good time. Kudos to Katie Hennessy for having and helping at this fun event for seniors.

A Goshen Town-Wide Communications Task Force will be headed up by Paul Collins (203 243 5747). This will create a better way to communicate in the Goshen community. This effort will increase public involvement; create a survey garnering strongest method of reaching the majority of residents, bottom line, enhances communications. John Leary, Tim Loomis have asked if the Town would split the cost of an "electric sign" to announce "school closings" and other community events.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to have Paul Collins look into this endeavor and report back to the BOS. Voted unanimous.

Todd has received a copy of the Charlotte Hungerford Hospital (Hartford Healthcare) agreement regarding the Paramedic Intercept Support Services contract with Goshen Fire Company. This agreement provides emergency support services for Goshen Fire Company through December 31, 2022. A report showing the number of "calls" will be provided to Todd.

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The Tax Collector has reported that 99.58% of Goshen taxes have been collected.

6. Public Comment:

Henrietta Horvay reported that the AARP Safe Driving Course was not available in the fall issue and the March issue of Town Topics. She also noted that the Recreation Commission Agenda does not contain "Public Comment." Mrs. Horvay will serve on the Goshen Town-Wide Communications Task Force, headed up by Paul Collins.

Audrey Blondin echoed her support for the Communications Task Force. She also discussed further regarding "Gay Pride Month" (June). Anyone having any suggestions on how Goshen can participate in this can contact Selectman Dexter Kinsella, 860-601-3285.

Cindy Barrett stated the Communications Task Force is excellent idea; provide good input for all who live in Goshen.

7. Correspondence:

National Poppy Day (U.S.A. Veterans) is observed the Friday before Memorial Day. Funds collected for the Poppies are from donations. The American Legion Auxiliary is conducting this activity.

Assistance for home heating costs is available through Energy Assistance and Weatherization (203-575-4382). This program is the New Opportunities organization.

Housatonic Valley Association is providing an EXPLORE-A-THON hike for June 2022. Explore the Housatonic Valley, support a healthy environment and win awesome prizes.

Todd has received two (2) letters of resignation: Becky Burcroff will resign her position as Clerk for the Board of Finance as of June 30, 2022. Earle Tyler will resign position as custodian for the Town Hall as of June 30, 2022. (He will continue his duties at Camp Cochipianne).

Goshen Park and Recreation is seeking *donations* for the Senior Picnic to be held on Wednesday, June 8th at Camp Cochipianne. Donations will be appreciated for raffle prizes, and food items (for 150 people). Please contact Katie Hennessy at 860-601-6089, or online ParkandRec@GoshenCT.gov.

A new garage/shed is being purchased by the Recreation Dept. (the money is in Recreation "capital"). The garage will be 14' x 28" Cape Garage to store the mechanical equipment for the Rec Dept.

8. Old Business:

8a. Appointments – None

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to add to the agenda under 9. New Business, 9a. Call for the Goshen Town Meeting, May 25, 2022, 8:00 p.m. Voted unanimous.

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Selectman Dexter Kinsella read aloud the Warning: Hybrid Annual Budget Meeting and Special Town Meeting, Town of Goshen, May 25, 2022, at 8:00 p.m. **(Copy attached)**.

Selectman Mark Harris added that the School Superintendent, Chris Leone, reported on the upcoming merger of Region 6 schools into a new Region 20. As such, while there are currently 3 members of the Board of Education for Region 6, there may be a vote for 3 *new* Board of Education members for the new Region 20.

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 5:36 p.m. Voted unanimous.


Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide

Received May 18, 2022 @ 3:24 P.M.

Attest Barbara K. Breen
Goshen Town Clerk

WARNING
HYBRID ANNUAL BUDGET MEETING AND
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF GOSHEN

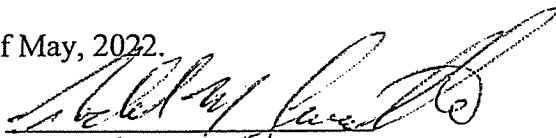
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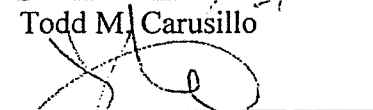
We, the Selectmen of the Town of Goshen, hereby give warning to persons legally entitled to vote thereat that the Annual Budget Meeting and a Special Town Meeting will be held in the Gymnasium of Goshen Center School in said Town of Goshen on Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 8:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. Upon the recommendation of the Board of Finance, to consider and act upon a budget for the Town of Goshen for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023.
2. To elect one member of the Board of Education of Regional School District #6 from the Town of Goshen for the term of three years from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025.
3. To authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and receive any state or federal grants for the benefit of the Town, provided that any appropriation of municipal funds shall be approved in advance by the Board of Finance, and if the amount exceeds \$20,000, a town meeting.
4. To take such action as the voters deem best with respect to the appropriation of \$112,000.00 from Capital Non Recurring to Public Works Truck Replacement.
5. To take such action as the voters deem best with amending Title 25A Hawkers and Peddlers Ordinance a copy of which is available for inspection at the office of the Goshen Town Clerk, Town hall, 42 North Street, Goshen, Connecticut 06756.
6. To take such action as the voters deem best with respect to rescinding Title 69 Regional Animal Control Fee ordinance adopted on August 4, 2014.
7. To take such action as the voters deem best in adopting an ordinance entitled Animal Control Fee Ordinance, a copy of which is available for inspection at the office of the Goshen Town Clerk, Town hall, 42 North Street, Goshen, Connecticut 06756.

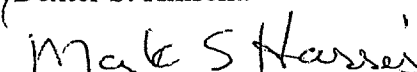
Dated at Goshen, Connecticut, this 17th day of May, 2022.



Todd M. Carusillo



Dexter S. Kinsella



Mark S. Harris