

Town of Goshen  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

*REGULAR MEETING*  
**Tuesday July 26, 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 (zoom)

**OTHERS:** Henrietta Horvay; Audrey Blondin; Scott Olson; Cynthia Barrett Paul Collins; Erin Reilly; John McKenna, Republican American

**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 July 19, 2022:** In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of July 19, 2022, as corrected. (Under No Parking Signs at Sandy Beach: it should correctly read Sandy Beach Road.) **Voted unanimous.**

**3. Matters Arising Out of the Minutes:** see above

**4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – July 28, 2022:**

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll of July 28, 2022 in the amount of \$87,246.99. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$31,802.05 and the warrant in the amount of \$55,444.94. **Motion carried with Dexter S. Kinsella abstaining.** Items of note: Connecticare:- \$13,974.45; Lenard Engineering (East St. South access road) - \$2,525.70; Timothy Wyllie, Land Surveyor, bridge 05155 – \$9,900.00.

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

Todd has received no report of COVID-19 cases in Litchfield County (TAHD).

C&M Electric Co. will be at Town Hall to repair the ADA entry button on the front door.

Governor Lamont announced a new \$150,000,000 loan program for Connecticut Small Businesses and Non-Profits organizations. (4.5% interest rate).

Todd announced that an individual has been chosen to be Goshen's Recreation Director, per the results of the members of the Search Committee.

**6. Public Comment:**

Henrietta Horvay thanked Todd for taking action on getting the ADA entry button fixed. She had reported this needed repair three (3) months ago. And "Road" needed to be specified regarding the parking signs on Sandy Beach Road.

Audrey Blondin reported on the fine birthday celebration that was given for Henrietta Horvay on Monday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at the Blondin residence. In attendance were Governor Lamont, Sen. Richard Blumenthal and other notable guests.

Cindy Barrett reported that she had been on vacation last week. Notwithstanding, she wanted the public to know that those planning on attending the Town Meeting to vote via "zoom" attendance, must observe that they must be "signed in" before the start time of the Town Meeting, i.e., 8:00 p.m. to be able to cast a vote. Perhaps the Town Meeting can be held at Camp Coch having more space? (Those arriving after the meeting is called to order will be acknowledged as in attendance, but cannot cast a vote.)

Dexter Kinsella stated for public record, that henceforth he will be in attendance at the BOS meeting via zoom. He has been assigned to work from Lynn, Mass. by his employer. He thanked the audience for their indulgence during this assignment.

**7. Correspondence:**

Todd reported that he has received correspondence from *All Points Technology* (Waterford, CT) that they will be engaged in conducting proposed tower facilities for any adverse effect they may have on historic properties (5 Old Middle Street).

Todd also reported that *Northeast Site Solutions* (Burlington, CT) will be doing work at the existing tower at 113 Brush Hill Road here in Goshen.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to add to the agenda under 8. Old Business, 8b. Podunk Bluegrass Music Festival (August 11, 12, 13, 2022). Voted unanimous.

**8. Old Business:**

**8a. Appointments** – None

**8b. Podunk Bluegrass Music Festival:**

Todd reported that the representatives of the Podunk Bluegrass Music Festival, Inc. have successfully attained all the required approvals to proceed with the Podunk Bluegrass Music Festival. Todd will proceed with signed approval of the official permit.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the Podunk Bluegrass Music Festival, with required approvals. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to add to the agenda under item 9. New Business, item 9c. New Hire. Voted unanimous.

**9. New Business:**

**9a. Sustainable CT:**

Scott Olson, representing the EDC, has reviewed the ***Resolution to Approve Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy ("C-PACE") Agreement***. The EDC (Economic Development Commission) of Goshen has reviewed the Resolution, and has authorized the Goshen Board of Selectmen to adopt said Resolution within the best interest (a lending procedure for current/new businesses – CT Greenbank. CT Greenback offers financing for those businesses engaging in "green and sustainable energy" projects) for the Town of Goshen. Scott Olson will provide a **summary** outlining recommendations of the Resolution (not adding anything new/different to the actual resolution.) After BOS discussion it was decided to adopt the Resolution.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to adopt the *Resolution to Approve Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy (C-PACE)* as submitted. Voted unanimous.

**9b. Purchasing Policy:**

New proposals to the current *Purchasing Policy for the Town of Goshen* have been agreed upon by the BOS regarding the designations to the act of purchasing products and services for the town (items c & d):

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- a. Price
- b. Quality
- c. Warranty
- d. Service
- e. References
- f. Recycled content, Reused or Refurbished Products**
- g. Local company, products or services**

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to realign the designations for the act of purchasing products to be listed in the Purchasing Policy. Voted unanimous.

**9c. New Hire:**

Todd announced that the Search Committee for position of Recreation Director for the Town of Goshen has chosen Goshen resident Erin Reilly. The final vote came down to two (2) qualified candidates. In addition, Erin's skills as volunteer for Goshen Emergency Services will be a great asset to the position. She will be allowed to continue in her EMS services, while on town payroll. Mark Harris would like to publicly thank the Search Committee for a "job well done". The salary for this position will be finalized with the Board of Selectmen.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the hiring of Erin Reilly to the position of Recreation Director inclusive of her EMS duties. Voted unanimous.

**10. Other Business – None**

**11. Adjournment:** *(was called, for but immediately halted to address 9a. Sustainable CT)*

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.

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide