

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday September 6, 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

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 August 30, 2022:** In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was voted to approve the minutes of August 30, 2022 as modified. Under paragraph 3, item 5. First Selectman's Report. *The town residents will be given an opportunity to review said plans to "give their support"*. Voted unanimous.

3. **Matters Arising Out of the Minutes:** None

4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – September 8, 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 September 8, 2022 in the amount of \$58,174.65. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$28,121.39 and the warrant in the amount of \$30,053.26. Motion carried with Dexter S. Kinsella abstaining. Included in this warrant: Eversource - \$1,904.43; Lenard Engineering- \$5,137.50; Vision Govt. Solutions (reval.) - \$3,838.48.

5. First Selectman's Report:

COVID – 19: Per this weeks' report from TAHD, there are "0" cases in Goshen.

The appraisal firm that has been retained by the town of Goshen, *Vision Government Solutions*, has Ms. Liz Stabile performing on-site inspections of properties to ensure accuracy of the town's data. She will be carrying a Vision Government Solutions employee identification badge; she drives a 2020 Teal Gray Honda HRV with CT plate # 694-ZAT. Please don't hesitate to contact the Goshen Town Hall for verification or any questions: Assessor's Office: 860-491-2115 – x230; First Selectman's Office: 860-491-2308 -x228.

Supervisor of Public Works, Garrett Harlow has advised that Mountain Top Trucking has raised their prices on materials, etc. As such, future required materials will "go out to bid".

Region 20 has forwarded to the State Dept. of Education the list of the new members that comprise Region 20's full Board of Education members and their tenure dates. This list will be forwarded to Town Clerk, Barbara Breor for recording and compliance with future town meetings.

6. Public Comment:

Todd reported that the Goshen Fair was great this year; everyone had a great time. Governor Lamont and other candidates from both parties attended, walking around, greeting, chatting with the public.

Audrey Blondin shared information she discovered about *Eversource* car charging stations. She stated that Torrington obtained one from *Eversource* free of charge. Todd responded that Torrington got that "free" due to grants that *Eversource* had. As such Eversource prices **were** in the range of \$20,000. Actual pricing now is in the range of \$150,000 each for level 3 chargers. (Recall of electric Volkswagens provided those grants).

Goshen cannot provide a location next to a major highway, nor is interested in an “electric” sign pkg.

Henrietta Horvay conveyed receipt of an e-mail from Amy Breakwell announcing **2022 Candidate Forum**, sponsored by Goshen Business Circle to be held at Sunset Meadow Vineyards, 30th and 64th district representatives Wednesday, September 14, 2022, 6:30 p.m.

7. Correspondence:

Todd received correspondence from TAHD that they have a reported 1st case of the West Nile virus in New Haven. He advised that everyone get rid of standing waste water, water accumulated in old tires, water sitting in children’s plastic pools, etc.

Aquarion Water Company has advised they have applied to PURA to amend their rates.

8. Old Business: None

8a. Appointments - None

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, 9a. *Black Bear Americana Music Festival*. Voted unanimous.

9. New Business:

9a. Special Event Permit: Black Bear Americana Music Festival

All Special Event Permit requirements have been met for the *Black Bear Americana Music Festival*. In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the Black Bear Americana Music Festival special permit to be held on October 7th, 8th and 9th, 2022. Voted unanimous.

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 5:12 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman’s Aide