

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday November 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,

OTHERS: Henrietta Horvay; Audrey Blondin; Don Wilkes; Paul Collins; Annette Lott; Dave Boisvert; Garret Harlow; Joyce Mowrey; Mady Flynn; Judith Armstrong; Kontor Violes; John McKenna,
Republican American

EXCUSED: Dexter S. Kinsella

1. Call to order: Todd M. Carusillo called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Approval of the minutes: None

3. Matters Arising Out of the meeting. None

4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – 11/10/2022:

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll of November 10, 2022- \$66,325.68. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$29,170.40 and the warrant in the amount of \$37,155.28. Motion carried unanimously. Included in this warrant: Eversource - \$1,573.55; Sepples Tree Service (Old Middle St. Cemetery) - \$4,000.00

Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – 11/17/2022:

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll of November 17, 2022 – \$28,293.45. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$13,358j.82 and the warrant in the amount of \$14,934.63. Motion carried unanimously. Included in this warrant: Eastside Electric (Camp smoke detectors) - \$1,999.00; JW Tractor - \$2,672.22; Yucatech – \$2,147.35.

5 First Selectman's Report:

The Flu is going around here in Goshen. Everyone stay safe.

Conflicts with the use of the tennis courts has arisen. As such, a "usage" policy needs to be put in place in early spring.

Todd urged everyone to pay attention to the "digital" speed signs located on Route 63. It seems the large trucks appear to be traveling at slower speeds through the rotary.

6. Public Comment:

Henrietta Horvay asked if there were anything new regarding the installation of Broadband. Todd reported that Mark McCarthy had a meeting with Optimum/ALTICE. Ms. Horvay also asked if there were an "ordinance" in place regarding the Tennis Courts usage. She asked if the Annual Town Meeting will be held in the GCS gym.

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Todd, in response, announced that the Annual Town Meeting will be held in the CGS gym. He stated that the meeting will be available for residents to attend via "zoom" but without the ability to vote. Those residents wishing to vote must **attend in person** to do so. He clarified that via "zoom" are NOT a requirement. It is very problematic for the big screen to be carried and moved over to the school gymnasium. In addition, it is very difficult to tally the vote off the screen.

Audrey Blondin was dismayed that there will be no "zoom" in that there is the technology in place. She is hoping the Selectmen reconsider this decision.

Paul Collins stated that there was great participation for the "midterm" elections. Unfortunately, there was a minor car accident in the parking lot. He suggested that the parking lines be repainted this spring.

Henrietta Horvay asked if item 12 on the agenda for the Annual Town Meeting regarding "adoption of an Ordinance Establishing Four-Year Terms of office for the First Selectman, Members of the Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk and Treasurer" was authorized. This was overseen by Town Attorney, Chip Roraback, Esq. Todd replied.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was voted to approve the Annual Town Meeting tally voting by in-person attendance of said voter. Voted unanimous.

8. Old Business:

8a. Appointments:

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to appoint **Dawn Wilkes** to the Board of Assessors for a term of 3 years. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to appoint **Erin Reilly** for Agent for the Elderly for a term of 2 years. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to appoint the firm of **Roraback & Roraback** to represent the Town of Goshen for 1 year. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to appoint **Paul Gallo** to the Conservation Committee for a term of 4 years. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to appoint **Jarrold Upton** to the Building Board of Appeals for a term of 2 years. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was voted to appoint **Russ Hurley**, to the Water Pollution Control Authority for a term of 3 years. Voted unanimous.

9. New Business:

9a. Call: Town Meeting, November 21, 2022:

The call of the Town Meeting for November 21, 2022 was read aloud by Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** unanimous to approve the Call of the Annual Town and Special Town Meeting for the Town of Goshen, dated November 15, 2022.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to add to the agenda 9. New Business; 9b Request for Bid: All season dump plow package; 9c. Proposal: Funding Application – Reconstruct East Street North; 9d. Sustainable CT Bronze Certification; 9e. Tax Collector. Motion carried unanimously.

9d. Sustainable CT:

Joyce Mowrey reported how the *Goshen Division of Sustainable CT* has received a Bronze Certification Plaque effective through December 31, 2025 from Sustainable CT Central. This award was presented at the Sustainable Awards Celebration on November 14, 2022, at the West Hartford Town Hall. The accomplishments of Goshen's Sustainable CT earned this honor.

9b. Request to proceed to bid: Garret Harlow, Supervisor of the Public Works Department, submitted his request for Bid for a Tandem AR450 Steel All-Season Dump Body, Central Hydraulics, and Plow Package. The chassis was delivered two months ago. In that funding for the Dump Body was not in the Public Works Budget at that time, this expenditure can be included in the new fiscal year budget, July 1, 2022. In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to proceed with this bid process for the tandem AR450 Steel All-Season Dump Body, Central Hydraulics and Plow Package. Voted unanimous.

9c. Proposal: Funding Application: Reconstruct East Street North:

Garret Harlow, Supervisor of the Public Works Department, has received a proposal from Cardinal Engineering Associates, of Litchfield, CT for Transportation Rural Improvements Program (TRIP) application: East Street North Roadway Improvements. The funding for this \$600,000 project, under the Northwest Council of Governments (NWCOG) grant program, will be sent to the State. *80% will come from the Federal government; 10% from State of CT Department of Transportation and 10% from the town of Goshen. East Street North in Goshen qualifies for roadway improvements. If this project is not chosen this year, it will be submitted again for a 2nd time, and again a 3rd submission, if necessary.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to accept the proposal with Cardinal Engineering Associates for reconstruction work on East Street in Goshen (\$29,900). Voted unanimous.

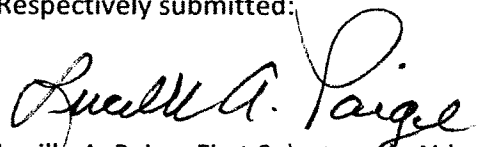
9e. Tax Collector: New Policy for Collection of Taxes:

The Tax Collector for Goshen has submitted new policies for collection of delinquent taxes. This was reviewed by Selectmen and approved therein. These policies will be on the Goshen Website under "Taxes". In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to approve the new policy for the collection of delinquent taxes, November 15, 2022. Voted unanimous.

10. Other Business: None

11. Adjournment: In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectively submitted:



Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide

WARNING
ANNUAL AND SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
TOWN OF GOSHEN

We, the Selectmen of the Town of Goshen, hereby give warning to persons legally entitled to vote thereat that the Hybrid Annual Town Meeting and Special Town Meeting will be held in the *gymnasium of Goshen Center School and via Zoom meetings, Meeting ID: 813 9428 3444* in said Town of Goshen on Monday, November 21, 2022 at 8:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To take such action as the voters deem best with respect to the acceptance of the Annual Town Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.
2. To take such action as the voters deem best with respect to the acceptance of the Town Auditor's Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.
3. To take such action as the voters deem best with respect to the following Resolution:


“RESOLVED: To authorize and instruct the Board of Selectmen to execute Town Aid agreements with the State of Connecticut pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes Chapter 240, Part IIa for the expenditure of all funds available to the Town of Goshen under said Chapter 240, Part IIa for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023”.

4. 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.
5. To elect two members of the Recreation Commission for a term of three years ending at the Annual Town Meeting of 2025.
6. To elect three members of the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission for a term of three years ending at the Annual Town Meeting of 2025.
7. To elect one member of the Economic Development Commission to fill a vacancy for one year ending at the Annual Town Meeting of 2023.
8. To elect two members of the Economic Development Commission to fill a vacancy for two years ending at the Annual Town Meeting of 2024.
9. To elect two regular members of the Economic Development Commission for a term of three years ending at the Annual Town Meeting of 2025.
10. To elect one alternate member of the Economic Development Commission to fill a vacancy for one year ending at the Annual Town Meeting 2023.
11. To elect one alternate member of the Economic Development Commission to fill a vacancy for two years ending at the Annual Town of Meeting of 2024.
12. To take such action as voters deem best with respect to the adoption of an "Ordinance Establishing Four-Year Terms of office for the First Selectman, Members of the Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk and Treasurer." A copy of which is available for inspection at the office of the Goshen Town Clerk at 42C North Street, Goshen, Connecticut


Dated at Goshen, Connecticut, this 15th day of November, 2022.


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Todd M. Carusillo


Mark S. Harris

Received November 16, 2022 

Attest 
Goshen Town Clerk


Dexter S. Kinsella