Town of Goshen BOARD OF SELECTMEN

REGULAR MEETING Tuesday November 29, 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; Erin Reilly, Recreation Director; Bernie Harrington; Cindy Barrett; Pat Reilly; Joe Janice
- 1. Call to order: Todd M. Carusillo called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
- 2. Approval of the minutes of November 22, 2022: In a motion made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was voted to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 22, 2022 as submitted. Voted unanimous.

3. Matters Arising Out of the meeting. None

4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – 12/1/2022:

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll of December 1, 2022.00- \$52,455.58. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$12,187,54 and the warrant in the amount of \$40,268.04. Motion carried with Dexter S. Kinsella, abstaining. Included in this warrant: VISA - \$6,344.33; Dime Oil (Diesel/Gas) - \$5,242.61; Northeast Crack Fill - \$15,697.80.

5 First Selectman's Report:

The Selectmen of Goshen want to give "thanks" to *Friendly Hands Food Bank* for their delivery of Thanksgiving boxes that were delivered here for residents. Each box was filled with vegetables, a big turkey and dessert. Big thanks to Director, Karen Thomas. We Selectmen wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

REMINDER: The Annual Town Meeting will be held tomorrow night, November 30, 2022, at 8:00 p.m. in the Goshen Center School gymnasium. Voting will be held by in-person attendance only. No voting will be allowed via "zoom".

6. Public Comment:

Erin Reilly, Recreation Director, announced (via zoom) that there are some tickets left to see the Rockettes Radio City Christmas Show in New York City. A 50-person bus has been secured for this trip. The bus leaves at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, December 5th from Camp Coch. Lunch will be at Rockefeller Center. The bus will leave New York City at 2:30 p.m. to return to Goshen at approximately 5:30 PM. Tickets are \$125.00 per person. Please contact her for tickets.

Henrietta Horvay pointed out an error on the BOS minutes of November 22, 2022 indicating the venue for the Annual Town Meeting. The minutes read "CCS". The correct venue is the GCS – Goshen Center School, gymnasium – not the Cafeteria. In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** "amend" the minutes of November 22, 2022 to show the correct venue for the Annual Town Meeting. Voted unanimous.

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Audrey Blondin stated that she is concerned with the comments that were attributed to her in the newspaper (Republican American) with reference to the voting via zoom at the Annual Town meeting. She felt that the comments attributed to her suggesting that she supported something illegal. Todd interjected that the Board of Selectmen (Goshen) were not responsible for the content printed in newspapers. Ms. Blondin then asked if the Board of Education meeting regarding Region 20 was somehow illegal? Mark Harris stated that currently there is no way to discern if that vote count was illegal or not, nor if the vote was safe and secure. Selectman Harris stated that he does remember Ms. Blondin alluding to continue the zoom voting until a new/corrected zoom method can be used. Dexter Kinsella responded that he does not remember anything Ms. Blondin stated that suggested advocating illegal voting. Joe Janice questioned why the displaying of one's drivers license on the screen was not sufficient. Todd stated that this issue will continue to be investigated for future "legal" voting via zoom.

7. Correspondence: Todd Carusillo visited the parking lot/road at the location of the Goshen Fire Company to join the DOT in their final inspection of the paving work that had been completed there.

8. Old Business:

8a. Appointments: There is an opening on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to add to the agenda under item 10., Other Business, 10a Bid Recommendations. Voted unanimously.

9. New Business: None

10. Other Business:

10a. Bid Recommendations:

Garret Harlow, Supervisor of Goshen Public Works, reviewed bids presented at the meeting of November 22, 2022. The results of his careful review produced the following recommendations.

Wetland Delineation – North Goshen Culvert	SLR International Corporation - \$3,750
Survey Services-North Goshen Rd. Culvert	Timothy G. Wylie, Land Surveyor, LLC - \$8,500

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the recommendations submitted by Garret Harlow, Supervisor of Public Works, regarding Wetland Delineation and Survey Services- North Goshen Culvert. Voted unanimous.

Todd announced that a future/special meeting of the Goshen Board of Selectmen will be held to discuss several items that need a consensus/reach common ground, i.e., a moratorium on flying flags, 4-year terms of Selectmen, etc. The date of this **Special** meeting will be announced.

11. Adjournment: In a motion made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was voted to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectively submitted: