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## Town of Goshen BOARD OF SELECTMEN

# REGULAR MEETING Tuesday December 20, 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; Cindy Barrett

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

- **2. Approval of the minutes of December 13, 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 December 13, 2022 as submitted. Voted unanimous.
- 3. Matters Arising Out of the meeting. None

### 4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – 12/22/2022:

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 12 22, 2022- \$65,539.51. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$35,024.66 and the warrant in the amount of \$27,514.85 Motion carried with Dexter S. Kinsella, abstaining. Included in this warrant: MIRA (Tipping fees) - \$13,452.09; Republican American legal notices - \$897.54; Vision Government Solutions (22' Revaluation) - \$44,544.48

## 5 First Selectman's Report:

In addition to the Christmas/New Year wishes sent along to all employees of the town, Selectman Dexter Kinsella wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We also thank Maria and Hayword Barker for their generous donation to a Goshen family in need. *Friendly Hands Food Bank* distributed boxes of food, and winter items to Goshen families.

Todd stated that the *Town Topics* for this season was very thin. While the paper may be of a different quality, the price for printing has increased enormously. Therefore, he going to go out to bid for another printing firm to handle job.

#### **6.Public Comment:**

Audrey Blondin wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. She asked if the residents were to submit their e-mail to the Fiscal Office, and then have the "Town Topics" e-mailed to them, rather than using the US Mail system. Todd will look into the feasibility. She then stated that at a recent meeting of the CCM, many of the First Selectmen and Mayors took a "Civility" Pledge. (Todd was unable to attend that meeting.) Ms. Blondin asked if the upcoming issue regarding the "Flag Ordinance" could be discussed at a public hearing <u>prior</u> to the *Call* of the Town Meeting that follows.. Perhaps tweaking of language in an ordinance.

Henrietta Horvay asked if a small committee of a "Communication Task Force" can be pulled together so identify the best way to get town information on all of the activities to its residents. Especially the seniors in town, and others.

Cindy Barrett wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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#### 7. Correspondence:

The Woodridge Lake Sewer District in addressing their wastewater disposal issues as required by DEEP, in a letter received from the WLSD, they are requesting the town of Goshen sign on along with the town of Litchfield, the Litchfield Sewer District an Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA). The information gathered from this collaboration will then be forwarded onto the DEEP and the USDA. Todd wanted to start dialogue between the Litchfield Sewer District and Woodridge Lake Sewer District by attending both sewer district meetings. Goshen has 700 homes located at Woodridge Lake. Todd stated that we need to start working with Woodridge Lake to make this happen. Dexter Kinsella would like to see this additional letter that explicitly define the repairs, roles required, and liabilities that may be incurred to Goshen. Todd will bring this information before the Board of Selectmen before any action is taken,.

8. Old Business:

8a. Appointments: None

9. New Business:

### 9a. Tax Collector's Report: November 30, 2022:

The Board reviewed the report. The Collection Rate-collected less refunds vs. total budgeted - 60.88% which is In line with previous years' budgets. In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to receive the Tax Collector's Report – November 30, 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 5:24 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectively submitted:

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide