

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

PRESENT: Todd M. Carusillo, Mark S. Harris, Dexter S. Kinsella (zoom)

OTHERS: Cindy Barrett; Henrietta Horvay; Audrey Blondin; Scott Olson; Judi Armstrong; Dawn Wilkes; Don Wilkes; Bernie Harrington

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 February 28, 2023:** In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by, Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of February 28, 2023. Voted unanimous.
3. **Matters Arising Out of the February 28, 2023 meeting:** None
4. **Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – March 9, 2023:** In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll of March 9, 2023 in the amount of \$46,264.14. Included was the warrant in the amount of \$16,955.35 and the payroll in the amount of \$29,308.79. Included in this warrant: Brigham Industries (gloves/boots) - \$1,554.00; Dime Oil (diesel) - \$1,835.83; Yucatech - \$900.00. Voted unanimous with Dexter S. Kinsella abstaining.

5. First Selectman's Report:

The First Selectman held a discussion with Janet Hooper, Erin Reilly, Donna Molon, Anne Greene, and Scott Olson for the need for Social Services in town. At this time, a part-time Social Worker doesn't seem to be needed for Goshen. Perhaps a Human Services person can successfully work out of the Recreation Department, just as it does in Litchfield. The Human Services info/tasks/data can be reported to the Board of Selectmen, and that information can be decided if it is needed for the town of Goshen.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to create a "Task Force" for Human Services for the town of Goshen: Janet Hooper, Erin Reilly, Donna Molon, Anne Greene, and Scott Olson. Voted unanimous.

A "Tipping Fees" meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 21, 2023; Anyone using a "front load dumpster" **not** to be confused with the standard wheel barring push cart type with lift up front load cover container – should attend this meeting.

Torrington Area Health Department will be holding a CPR and AED Training classes for Goshen residents on Tuesday, March 14th (at the Center Congregational Church) from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Megan McClintock, Emer. Mgmt. Coordinator of TAHD will be conducting the classes. To Pre-register with Torrington Area Health District go to: <https://TAHDHANDSONLYCPR.EVENTBRITE.COM>, walk- ins welcome.

Goshen Board of Assessment Appeals will be holding several meetings here at Town Hall Conference Room on Wednesday, March 8th, Friday, March 10th, and Saturday, March 11th.

6. Public Comment:

Todd Carusillo publicly thanked Audrey Blondin inviting him to her home to celebrate "Women in Politics". At this gathering, Todd was able to speak with Stephanie Thomas, regarding the "Early Voting" issue. A meeting has been set up with both these individuals. Ms. Blondin thanked Todd for taking the lead on this important subject.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Assessment Appeals, Friday, March 10th and Saturday, March 11th, here at the Goshen Town Hall Conference Room. There are 15 appeals pending.

Judi Armstrong received in her mail today a copy of "Goshen News" and asked from where it originated. She was told the newspaper is a private enterprise, a non-profit enterprise 501-3-c designation.

Cynthia Barrett expressed a "thank you" for all those who participated in the creation of the Pavilion at Camp Coch. She expressed how this is a great place for the residents in Goshen. The availability of lovely picnic tables and a great area for public use.

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7. Correspondence: None

8. Old Business: None

8a. Appointments:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to appoint **Jerrod H. Abrahams** for **alternate** member to the Planning and Zoning Board, term expiring November 2023 election. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to appoint **Bruce Arsego** to the Zoning Board of Appeals, terming expiring April 23, 2024. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to appoint Henrietta C. Horvay to *Alternate* Board of Assessment Appeals. Voted unanimous.

8b. Budgets: The following budgets were reviewed and discussed:

Animal Control	Rescue	Capital Expenditures
Board of Finance	Cemeteries	
Library	Fire Protection	

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to receive said budgets for 2024-2025 and forward to the Board of Finance for their review and consideration. Voted unanimous.

9. New Business:

Mark S. Harris made a **motion**, to add to the agenda under 9. **9a Tax Collector's percentage collections**, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella. Voted unanimous.

9a. Tax Collector's Percentage Collections to date:

Citing the excellent job Goshen's Tax Collector, Rebecca Junchert-Derungs is doing with collections, he reported the following: **Totals Collected to Date:**

Real Estate	98.93%	
Personal Prop	98.73%	
Motor Vehicle	97.88%	
MV Supplem.	84.90%	Total Outstanding: \$149,024.31

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 5:22 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectively submitted:

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide