

**Town of Goshen**  
**BOARD OF SELECTMEN**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

**Tuesday, June 27, 2023**

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

**OTHERS:** Dawn Wilkes; Henrietta Horvay; Paul Collins; Cindy Barrett; Eric Warner, *Goshen News*; Audrey Blondin; Janet Hooper; Lynn Stoddard; Joyce Mowrey; Maddie Flynn

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 June 20, 2023:** In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo it was **voted** to approve the minutes of June 20, 2023 as submitted with Mark S. Harris abstaining. Voted unanimous.
3. **Matters Arising Out of the June 20, meeting:** None
4. **Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – June 29, 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 June 29, 2023 in the amount of \$58,028.53. Included was the warrant in the amount of \$38,298.58 and the payroll in the amount of \$19,729.95. Voted unanimous. Included in this warrant: Dime Oil – diesel - \$2,444.35; Harwinton Top Soil- \$1,211.88; Target Enterprises - drain pipe- \$2,284.20.

**5. First Selectman's Report:**

Todd reported that he has contacted the CT State Police to schedule a *Neighborhood Watch Program*. He has decided that either Camp Coch or the Town Hall will serve as a neutral place to hold such program. Further information will be made available once a date is provided by CT the State Police.

An automatic camera device for enforcement of speed limits to curb speeding traffic will be put in place. A bill in the legislature passed for this for the entire State.. Traffic going through the center of town is still very dangerous. Trucks going along Rt. 63 are seen on a daily basis flying by at a very high rate of speed.

The “early voting” for the municipalities in Connecticut was passed *without* a method for a revenue source to conduct this exercise. So now comes the question – where does funding come from to set up and carry out this task in each town in Connecticut? Todd will be talking with the Secretary of State to garner information on how this task will be done.

Todd appointed *George Sinnamon Associates* for auditing purposes on behalf of the Board of Finance. They’ve done a fine job in the past.

The work on Holmes Road is continuing; a great job is being done by our Public Works Department – and for a price tag of only \$20K.

**6. Public Comment:**

Henrietta Horvay in response to an earlier discussion stated that the Board of Finance members have a 6yr term as does the Library Board have a 6 yr. term.

Cindy Barrett referred to having a poster for a local event attached to a stop sign – this practice is not allowed. (AKC puppies) signage was removed from the stop signs. Marty Connor personally removed the signs.

Dawn Wilkes stated that at a meeting Tuesday with the Secretary of State, it will soon be announced that a \$10,000 allotment will be given to each municipality for the early voting activity. She suggests a call be made to our legislators to obtain more information..

Audrey Blondin announced that through recently passed legislation, couples must reach the age of 18 years of age to be married in the State of CT.

**7. Correspondence:** None

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**8. Old Business: None**

**8a. Appointments: None**

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to add to the agenda, item 9c. Holmes Road Improvements. Voted unanimously.

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to add to the agenda, item 9d. Sustainable – CT. Voted unanimously.

**9. New Business:**

**9a. Falcon Ridge Music Festival (7/28; 7/29; 7/30/2023):**

A review of this Special Event Application shows nearly all of the required approvals have been met; a final review will take place at the July 11<sup>th</sup> Board of Selectmen meeting.

**9b. Podunk Bluegrass Music Festival (8/10; 8/11; 8/12/2023)**

A review of this Special Event Application shows nearly all requirements have been made; only the fire protection plan needs to be sent in. A final review will take place at the July 11<sup>th</sup> Board of Selectmen meeting.

**9c. Holmes Road Improvement:**

A purchase order has been submitted to McElhone Construction, LLC for drilling and blasting supplies for use on the Holmes Road Improvements. The request is for \$9,500 to be taken from the TAR Fund accordingly.

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to release \$9,500 from the TAR Fund account for this expense. Voted unanimously.

**9d. Sustainable CT:**

Joyce Mowrey began her presentation by advising that Goshen's *Sustainable\_CT* is in receipt of the "bronze" level award and are working on reaching the "silver" level. What improvements does the Goshen community want to see for their residents? She distributed a list based on popular vote from a recent meeting that had taken place at Camp Cochipianne. The item receiving the most votes was **Senior Center/Indoor Rec/Community Center**. Janet Hooper stated that there is no "senior center" or "community center" in Goshen. Inasmuch as the COG will be moving and their offices will be available, this location may be a possibility. Ms. Hooper believes that the next grant request should have the "town", in conjunction with the Goshen Housing Trust submit a grant request. Todd stated that Goshen already has a Senior Center at Camp Coch and the Goshen Community Center.

**10. Others Business: None**

**11. Adjournment:** In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:29 p.m. Voted unanimously.

Respectively submitted:

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide