

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, July 18, 2023

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

OTHERS: Dawn Wilkes; Henrietta Horvay; Eric Warner, *Goshen News*; Audrey Blondin;
Cindy Barrett;

1. **Call to order:** Todd M. Carusillo called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.
2. **Approval of the minutes of the meeting of July 11, 2023:** In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of July 11, 2023 as submitted. Voted unanimous.
3. **Matters Arising Out of the July 11, meeting:** None
4. **Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – July 20, 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 July 20, 2023 in the amount of \$49,343.09. Included was the warrant in the amount of \$28,480.24 and the payroll in the amount of \$20,862.85. Motion carried with Dexter S. Kinsella abstaining. Included in this warrant: Dime Oil - \$2,031.75 John Hancock - \$5,605.48.

5. First Selectman's Report:

Todd reported that on Sunday, once again Sunday, he was out on the Goshen roads touring the serious damage the heavy rains have brought upon our roads. In addition, on Monday, Todd was accompanied by Senator Richard Bluementhal, and State Representative, Maria Horn to view the damage. As Senator Bluementhal accompanied Todd in his truck to view the damaged roads, he was able to gain a full prospective of conditions here in Goshen. As such the Senator will be assisting in garnering federal funding to help repair Goshen's roads from these storms. Appreciation is given to resident Audrey Blondin, Democratic State Central Committee, who also accompanied the group on this endeavor.

First Selectman Carusillo gave praise to Goshen's Public Works department who worked tirelessly on the roads to repair damage to ensure all our residents had safe passage in their everyday travels.

Special thanks to Marc McCarthy for being a hero for the residents on Pond Ridge Road on Sunday. Those residents lost their internet/TV service from Optimum/ALTICE for three days. Mark contacted the right people at Optimum, who sent out repair people who fixed the problem and restored the internet/TV very quickly. Thanks, Marc!

An update regarding the "Neighborhood Watch" endeavor.. the State Police have planned to call a meeting for this purpose on Thursday, July 27th, at Camp Cochipianne, at 5:00 p.m. We are awaiting confirmation by next Tuesday.

6. Public Comment:

Audrey Blondin thanked Todd for pulling together Senator Bluementhal, Representative Maria Horn and others to personally view the damage here in Goshen done to the roads from the continuous heavy rain storms. "Neighborhood Watch" asked if this meeting could offer "zoom". Todd advised that WiFi has been installed at the Camp to enable the use of laptops.

Henrietta Horvay stated that Senator Bluementhal jumping into Todd's truck is very typical of him, he's helpful, and ordinary person. She also reported Breguet Road sustained some water damage. The dam below the road rosey approximately 6".

Cindy Barrett echoed Henrietta Horvay's comments. She stated that Cornwall sustained water over 6". Very scary.

7. Correspondence: None

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8. Old Business:

8a. Appointments:

A letter has been received from Philip Koenig (R) stating his resignation from the Inland and Wetlands Committee and EDC. Formal letter of said resignation has been received by the Town Clerk, therefore Board of Selectmen has accepted said resignation.

9. New Business: None

10. Other 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 5:16 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectively submitted:

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide