Town of Goshen BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

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

OTHERS: Audrey Blondin; Cynthia Barrett; Henrietta Horvay; Judi Armstrong; Devin Stilson; Paul Collins

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 August 29, 2023:** In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of August 29, 2023 as revised. Voted unanimous.
- **3.** Matters Arising Out of the August 29, 2023 meeting: Under item 9a. Purchase of Hurst E3 Edraulic Tools and tires for the fire truck by Goshen Fire Dept. after a conversation with Attorney Chip Roraback, Todd reported that the "<u>liability</u> for these pieces of equipment fall onto the Goshen Fire Company". However, the Hurst E3 Edraulic tool and tires <u>remain the property of the Town of Goshen</u>. These were purchased by budgeted funds that were approved by residents at the Goshen Town Meeting held on May 31, 2023.
- **4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant September 7, 2023:** In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll of September 7, 2023 in the amount of \$1,411,958.21. Included was the warrant in the amount of \$1,396,234.10 and the payroll in the amount of \$15,724.11. Voted unanimous. Also included in this warrant: Mountain Top Trucking: (stone) -\$11,722.17; Eversource: \$1,353.00; Region #6 Schools- \$1,370,061.00.

5. First Selectman's Report:

"I had a great weekend at the Goshen Fair! I was invited to walk with Senator Richard Bluementhal, and introduced him to many of our Goshen businesses. I used this opportunity to discuss Goshen's need for the FEMA funds (from the punishing rain storms in August.)" Conn. State Senator Steve Harding also asked to be escorted at the fair. Thank you to Cindy Barrett for taking many photographs. With over 30,000 people attending the Fair, surely it was a great success for our Goshen Agricultural Society.

6. Public Comment:

Paul Collins reported on the final numbers for the year's recycling and trash and was proud to announce a *significant decrease* in costs. There was a decrease in tonnage down by 100 tons - 2% less than previous, see capital decrease of 8%. The tonnage from Goshen is *going down*. The Goshen Annual Report soon to available will show the complete recycling report.

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Henreitta Horvay reported that on Monday, the American Legion booth at the Fair unfortunately ran out of beef for the burgers.

Audrey Blondin when questioning Todd about hearing from Governor Lamont to tour the Goshen Fair, was told Todd did not receive a call from the Governor's office.

Judi Armstrong gave a public "Thank you" to Paul Collins and the Recycling Committee for a job well done from their efforts to reduce the tonnage/costs.

7. Correspondence: None

8. Old Business: None **8a. Appointments:** None

9. New Business: None

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 5:14 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectively submitted:

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide