Town of Goshen BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

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

OTHERS: Audrey Blondin; Cynthia Barrett; Henrietta Horvay; Judi Armstrong; Dawn Wilkes; Garret Harlow;

Kara Harlow; Adam Andrusia

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 September 19, 2023:** In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of September 19, 2023 as revised- Executive Session's reason for session was "Personnel". Voted unanimous.
- 3. Matters Arising Out of the meeting September 19, 2023: None
- **4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant September 28, 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 28, 2023 in the amount of \$55,830.76. Included was the warrant in the amount of \$30,678.65 and the payroll in the amount of \$25,152.11. Voted unanimous. Also included in this warrant: Catch basins \$3,029.00; J.W.Tractor \$2,553.17; Town Topics \$5,428.00.

5. First Selectman's Report:

With reference to paving of Lyman Lane, Town Hill Rd, two allocations date back to **2018** just before the COVID-19 pandemic - 10 yr. equipment, 10 mile road repair – \$55,000 approx. gravel – storm. \$25,767 on paving East Street North. Rip rap purchased for edges of roads – gravel – approximately (East Street North) storms in July. Town Hill Rd. washes out often. Again, back in 2018, money was in maintenance account but work could not be done because of the COVID19 pandemic. Lyman Lane road maintenance of late, is a concern for the residents on Lyman Lane and other roads. Dexter acknowledged that many of the residents in that area are dissatisfied. The underlying reasons could have been handled in a better way. Mark also felt the residents in that area should have been reminded of the work that was being done there, why and that this work was on the list to be done back in 2018.

Todd stated that to help combat the **continuous**, dangerous, high speed limits that travelers seem to become accustomed to while traveling through Goshen, Todd contacted Atty. Chip Rorabak by sending him a copy of HB-5917, which takes effect October 1, 2023. If the Selectmen agree, a new ordinance can be put through- "Speed Camera Ordinance". (Hiring a resident State Trooper would cost Goshen residents \$250.000/year which our residents would not be in favor for our budget.) If we agree in favor of an *Ordinance*, we can place this on November's Town Meeting. The Board of Selectmen will await Atty. Chip Roraback's response and report to accordingy.

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6. Public Comment:

Henrietta Horvay asked that Garret move to the front table in the meeting when he is speaking in order to be "heard" by the zoom audience.

Adam Andrusia, resident of Lyman Lane, stated his concerns with the speeding vehicles, which appears to have become the "normal". Residents are cutting through from Town Hill Road and Millhouse Road. Mr. Andrusia asked about the feasibility of installing "speed bumps". Garret Harlow expressed the inability to use "speed bumps" in the winter due to the necessity of snow plowing that needs to be done. He further stated that aprons are planned for Lyman Lane. Mr. Andrusia questioned whether a "cost analysis" has been done for Lyman Lane. Dexter further added that ditches have become a problem from substantial erosion from the heavy rains we have experienced of late.

Audrey Blondin stated that she will be in Sen. Richard Blumenthal's company and that he/she will follow up with Todd regarding the FEMA fund issue.

7. Correspondence: None

8. Old Business: None8a. Appointments: None

9. New Business:

9a. Bid: Dry Screened Road Sand

Dry Screened Road Sand Results

September 27, 2023

Segalla Sand & Gravel, Inc. 112 Allyndale Road North Canaan, CT 06018 860-824-4444	Total Price DELIVERED \$20.40	Total Price PICKED UP \$14.40
Mountaintop Trucking 179 Colebrook River Road Winsted, CT 06098 860-496-7257	\$21.00	\$17.00
Laurelbrook Natural Resources, Inc. 12 Casey Hill Road East Canaan, CT 06024 860-824-5843	\$24.35	\$16.50

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In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to forward the Dry Screened Road Sand Bid Results to Garret Harlow, Supervisor of Public Works for his review and recommendation. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella it was **voted** to add to the agenda under 9b. Request for Fund Transfer Items from T.A.R. to over Capital Line Items: Major Road Projects. Voted unanimous.

9.b Request for Fund Transfer Items submitted by Garret Harlow, Supervisor of Public Works. In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to consider the following three (3) requests for transfer of funds:

Request for Fund Transfer from T.A.R. to Capital Line Item: Major Road Projects; amount \$32,715.88 – purchase and process of stone materials from Mountaintop Trucking per town bid process for repairs to areas of road from storm waters. Voted unanimous.

Request for Fund Transfer from T.A.R. to Capital Line Item: Major Road Projects; amount \$25,767.62 – purchase. Allocated funds will be used toward the paving of East Street North for repair of damage from the July 9th and July 16th rain storms. Work performed by S&S Asphalt Paving, Inc. State of CT DAS contract 20PSX0167 and 22PSX0196. Voted unanimous.

Request for Fund Transfer from T.A.R. to Capital Line Item: Major Road Projects; amount \$2,688.75 – purchase. Allocated fund will be used toward the purchase of rip-rap from Mountaintop Trucking per Town bid price for repairs to areas of road and bank erosions from storm waters. Work performed by Goshen Public Works employees. Voted unanimous.

10. Other Business:

10.a. Executive Session for discussion of Personnel:

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to move into Executive Session at 5:24 p.m. for discussion of Personnel. Voted unanimous.

The Board moved out of Executive Session at 5:44 p.m. No action was taken.

11.Adjournment: In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectively submitted: