

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

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

OTHERS: Audrey Blondin; Cynthia Barrett; Henrietta Horvay; Dawn Wilkes; Paul Collins; Marianne Stilson; Garret Harlow

- 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 October 3, 2023:** In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of October 3, 2023 as submitted. Voted unanimous.
- 3. Matters Arising Out of the meeting October 3, 2023:** None
- 4. Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – October 12 , 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 October 12, 2023 in the amount of \$115,601.40. Included was the warrant in the amount of \$84,109.92 and the payroll in the amount of \$31,491.48. Motion passed with Dexter S. Kinsella abstaining. Also included in this warrant: Tires (Fire House) – \$4,424.18; MIRA (Sept.)-\$14,379.36; Asphalt - \$25,767.62; Hose & Ladder Testing- \$4,467.50.
- 5. First Selectman’s Report:**

There are still several municipal agencies in Goshen that have not submitted their “Annual Reports” to Virginia Perry for inclusion in *Goshen’s Annual Report*. Please submit your reports **asap – no later than October 16th**.

While the “Black Bear Concert” was going on, one of the campers accidentally hit a water drain pipe, wherein the water system experienced a failure where the central water main was shut off – resulting in interruption to the all of the Goshen Fair grounds. Calls were made to remedy the situation, and the water was able to be turned on again in a timely fashion. This points directly to *Goshen’s Special Event Permit* wherein we have the people submitting the permit garner approvals of various public utilities, police coverage, medical/ambulance coverage, etc. We will advise the President of the Goshen Agricultural Society that future compliance for use of the Goshen Fairgrounds will contain approvals/responsibilities covering utilities therein.

The lighting mast adjacent to the fair grounds must have additional lighting than what is on it currently. Mature trees have overgrown the source of light on the mast. When Goshen experiences “fog” – it is heavy fog inasmuch as Goshen lies high in the hills. None of the *crosswalk white lines* are visible in heavy fog because the overgrown tree limbs obliterate the main source of light. Needless to say, this results in very dangerous

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road crossings. Even if the tree limbs are trimmed, additional lighting is needed for that crosswalk.

Todd had to enlist the services of heating contractor, Jerry LaPlaca, (after calling four (4) other area plumbers who were unavailable) to help with a water leak in the Town Hall heating system (boiler) located in the basement. Mr. LaPlaca had to construct a 9" pipe fixture to remedy the problem. Todd went home to bring back tools to assist to complete the project and together they repaired the problem. The water boiler is now filled to the appropriate level and working.

Garret Harlow stated that Woodridge Lake does *not* want "Crime Watch" signage. On the other hand, Mike Esposito does want the signage. Mark Harris suggested that the request be in writing with a signature.

Announcement is made of the resignation of Mark S. Harris from the *Northwest Transit District*. In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to accept the resignation of Mark S. Harris from the Northwest Transit District. Voted unanimous.

(Goshen does not use the transit service; Geer Hospital facility now does the scheduling of the bus for transport of seniors under *Goshen/Cornwall Transit*.) Letter of resignation was sent to Northwest Transit District.

6. Public Comment:

Paul Collins, Goshen's Recycling Coordinator, publicly thanked Union Savings Bank for sponsoring *Recycling Day* here in Goshen. The recycling and the mattress collections were a great success! 9,000 lbs. of shredding waste; 42 mattresses; Additional thanks to Sue Rinaldi, Rod Zander, Pat Reilly, Cindy Barrett for the great help they were for the whole day.

7. Correspondence: None

8. Old Business: None

8a. Appointments: None

9. New Business:

9a. Recommendation- Dry Screened Road Sand 2023-2024:

Garret Harlow, Supervisor of Public Works, after reviewing the submitted public bids recommends *Segalla Sand and Gravel* as the supplier for Goshen Public Works. In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to elect *Segalla Sand and Gravel* per Mr. Harlow's recommendation. Voted unanimous.

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In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to form a *Building Committee* for the town building to be erected on the newly purchased town property on Sharon Turnpike. Voted unanimous.

9b. Formation of Goshen Building Committee – Sharon Turnpike

Garret Harlow	Patrick Lucas
Todd Carusillo	Seth Breakell
Dexter S. Kinsella	Jason Whatley
Barry Hall	

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to approve the newly formed *Building Subcommittee* and the members therein. Voted unanimous.

Regarding Plans for the new building, Todd suggested it be “out to bid” or “design and build.” Dexter added that C.H. Nickerson Co. will lend assistance throughout the whole project.

10. Other Business: None

10.Adjournment: In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectively submitted:

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman’s Aide