

TOWN OF GOSHEN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, November 26, 2019

PRESENT: Mark S. Harris, Robert P. Valentine, Dexter S. Kinsella

OTHERS: James Bernard, Treasurer; Jim Withstandley; Cynthia Barret; John McKenna, Republican American;

1 Call to order: Robert P. Valentine, First Selectman called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to add to the agenda under **item 9 New Business, 9b. Appropriation of TAR Funds- Paving** Voted unanimous.

2. Approve the minutes of the November 19, 2019 Regular Meeting:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 19, 2019, as presented. Voted unanimous.

3. Matters Arising out of the minutes: Another meeting is scheduled at the site of 621 acres for sale at Beach Hill Road, Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. Matt Starr will be there representing DEEP, along with First Selectman, Bob Valentine.

4. Approval of Payroll and Warrant – November 27, 2019:

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll for November 27, 2019 in the amount of \$64,148.71. Included in this warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$25,267.34 and the warrant in the amount of \$38,881.37. Voted unanimous. Included in this warrant were payments to Barnwell of CT (former TOCE Bros.) \$4,848.33; Lenard Engineering, \$5,161.61 and USA Hauling (Recycling) \$7,330.50. Voted unanimous.

5. Public Comment: None

6. First Selectman's Report:

The Economic Development Commission held their meeting last night (Monday, November 25th) at the Town Hall Conference Room. Discussed was the draft five-year Economic Development Plan done by CERC. EDC members believe the plan is lacking in several respects. Bob Valentine and Anne Green, Chair EDC, will meet next week with CERC Representative, Courtney Hendricson to convey their concerns.

Bob reported that two (2) bridges in Goshen per ConnDOT are in need of attention. One is located over the Marshepaug river on West Hyderdale Drive the other on East Street South near Reservoir Rd. Bob is looking into the possibility of using a Local Bridge Grant managed by ConnDot for West Hyderdale. The Grant would reimburse 80% of the cost with federal dollars leaving the Town to pay 20%. The bridge on West Hyderdale is made up of pipes that are starting to rust on the bottom. Bob will sign a "task order" submitted by Lenard Engineering to explore the possibilities.

8. Correspondence: None

9. Old Business:

9a. Appointments:

In a **motion** made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to appoint **Henrietta Horvay** to the **Library Board** to fill a vacancy created by the resignation of Terry Truczinskas until the next municipal election. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to re-appoint **Mary Wheeler** to the **Board of Assessors** for a term ending on 10/31/2022. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to appoint **Chris Kowalski** to fill a vacancy until 10/31/2021 and to re-appoint **Jeffrey Lindstrom** to the **Building Board of Appeals** for a term ending 10/31/2024 Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was voted to re-appoint **Edward Perry** for **Tree Warden** for a term ending 11/30/2021. Voted unanimous.

9. New Business:

9a. Public Works Truck:

The Board of Finance, upon review of request for funding for a new Public Works plow truck (see minutes from BOS meeting of November 19th) from Garret Harlow, Supervisor of Public Works, approved an additional \$20,000: \$10,000 from Capital Non-Recurring Unassigned and \$10,000 from Un-Assigned General Fund Balance to complete the purchase of a 2019 6-wheel International with stainless steel body. This sum will be added to the \$141,287 available in capital for truck replacement, with a total purchase price \$160,792.72

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to move forward to complete the purchase of a 2019 6-wheel International truck with stainless steel body from Nutmeg International in Torrington, CT for a price of 160,792.72. Voted unanimous.

9b. Appropriation of TAR Funds- Paving

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the request from Public Works Supervisor, Garret Harlow for Town Aid Road Funds (TAR) to paving Milton Road, School Hill Road, Thompson Road and Hillhouse Road in the amount of \$242,000.00. Voted unanimous.

11. Any other Business: None

12. Adjournment:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:27 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,