

TOWN OF GOSHEN  
Board of Selectmen  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
November 7, 2017

**PRESENT:** Steven M. Romano, Robert P. Valentine and Dexter S. Kinsella

**OTHERS:** Alan D. Walker, BOF Chairman

**Excused:**

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

2. Approval of the Minutes October 24, 2017 and October 31, 2017 Regular Meeting:

**In A Motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steve M. Romano, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of the October 24, 2017 regular meeting as submitted. Motion carried with Robert P. Valentine abstaining.

**In a Motion** made by Steve M. Romano, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of the October 31, 2017 regular meeting as submitted. Motion carried with Dexter S. Kinsella abstaining.

3. Matters Arising out of the Minutes:

Bob will be meeting with *Eversource Representative* Steve Silver to discuss Eversource's system for prioritizing services during power outages and restoring electricity. Northwest Council of Governments will also be pressing to clarify Eversource's process.

4. Approval of Payroll and Warrant of November 7, 2017:

**In a Motion** made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the warrant and payroll for November 9, 2017, in the amount of \$1,287,591.26. Included in the warrant were payroll in the amount of \$24,184.85 and the warrant in the amount of \$1,263,406.41. The warrant included invoices from the following: Regional School District #6 for Nov/Dec Assessment of \$1,223,757, Firematic for repairs and medical supplies of \$2,226.06 and MountainTop Trucking for road materials of \$14,787.19 for West Street Road Project. Voted unanimous.

Allan Walker inquired on how the new State budget effected District #6 budget. Steven M. Romano included further discussion as a taxpayer on the new building for the Agricultural Department and how this would affect taxpayers. Bob will bring the subject up to Superintendent Chris Leone when they meet again.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

6. FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT:

Bob reported how the newly adopted State budget effected the Town Of Goshen's State grants. The following is a breakdown:

	Adopted Town Meeting	Recently adopted State Budget
Education Cost Share	\$36,100	\$77,942
Homeowner Tax Credit	\$500	\$0
LOCIP	\$78,783	\$49,759
Mashantucket Pequot Grant	\$10,357	\$10,357
P.I.L.O.T Grant	\$408	\$408
Town Aid Road	\$276,380	\$276,380

Teachers' pension contribution went from 6% to 7% and the States obligation for contribution will continue to stay with the State.

Town Hall staff members are being offered an AED/CPR training through the Recreation Department. The Town will be purchasing an AED for the town hall which will be housed in a cabinet in the main hallway.

Road projects are wrapping up with backing up the edges of the recently paved roads and grading is being completed on dirt roads. Garret was pleased with Lane Construction Corporation who was contracted to complete the road project for West Street and Westside Road.

Public Works is generally ready for winter, topping off sand and salt stock pile and getting the trucks ready.

Bob had attended an Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition (OSWA) Grant workshop; possible opportunity if we purchase the property at 1097 East Street North. Although the current grant round timing may not work. If we are unable to use this grant this time it could be helpful in the future.

The First Selectman office has received complaints on the rotary, traffic flow, noise, yielding issues. Bob will be meeting next week with ConnDot traffic engineer to discuss the rotary.

7. CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

**In a Motion** made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was **voted** to add to the agenda item 8. OLD BUSINESS, 8b. Carpet Replacement RFB – Town hall and 8c. Special Event Ordinance. Voted unanimous.

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8. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Appointments: Currently we have 2 vacancies on IW commission. They will need to be filled at the Annual Meeting November 20<sup>th</sup>. Bob asked the board to reach out to anyone they know who may be interested.

b. Carpet Replacement RFB Recommendations: Robert P. Valentine recommended Weigold Floor Covering for the bidder of the town hall carpet replacement.

**In a Motion** made by Steve M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to award the Carpet Replacement Bid to: Weigold Floor Covering, 148 East Albert Street, Torrington, CT 06790. Carpet tile for \$15,472.72. Voted unanimous.

c. Special Events Ordinance: A modification of the “Special Event Ordinance” the application time from 30 days prior to 90 days prior to the event, as well as other minor changes. (See attached).

**In a Motion** made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella and forward the changes to Town Meeting on November 20, 2017 for town’s people to consider. Voted unanimous.

**In a Motion** made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the agenda item 9 NEW BUSINESS, 9a. Annual and Special Town Meeting Call. Voted unanimous.

9. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Annual and Special Town Meeting Call was reviewed and approved.

**In a Motion** made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was voted to approve the agenda for the Annual and Special Town Meeting on November 20, 2017. Voted unanimous. (See Attached).

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS: NONE

11. ADJOURNMENT:

**In a Motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steve M. Romano, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:55p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Perry  
Selectman’s Admin. Asst.