

TOWN OF GOSHEN

BOARD OF FINANCE AGENDA

Regular Meeting — Wednesday March 27, 2024

7:30 p.m. Town Hall Conference Room

Zoom Conference Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85343828297>

Meeting ID 853 4382 8297

By Phone: 1 929 205 6099

1. Call to order
2. Attendance
3. Seating of an Alternate
4. Review of Minutes
5. Financial Reports Review
6. Tax Collector's Report Review
7. Budget Projection Review
8. Selectman's Report
9. Correspondence
10. Any other item:
11. Adjourn

Lee M. Kennedy

Board of Finance Clerk

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF FINANCE
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday February 28, 2024

CALL to ORDER: Vice Chairperson Ned Bixler called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Attendance: Paul Collins Scott Tillmann, Ned Bixler, Robert Valentine Russell Murdock (alternate) and First Selectman Todd Carusillo. Chairperson Allan Walker joined via zoom. Others: Garret Harlow Public Works Supervisor Ned Bixler made a motion to seat Russell Murdock; it was seconded by Bob Valentine and the motion passed unanimously. Jim Korner joined at 7:34 pm , Pat Reilly (alternate) joined at 8:19 pm.

APPROVAL of MINUTES: A motion was made by Scott Tillmann, seconded by Paul Collins, and voted unanimously to receive the minutes of January 24, 2024, with changes as follows (first paragraph of page three) : Bob Valentine clarified that new employees are not paid the same as seasoned employees. The motion passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: The board received and reviewed Financial Reports from Debbie Franklin dated 01/30/2024. Paul Collins noted the MIRA contract was estimated to be \$192,000, but due to a clerical error it was entered as \$147,088 (G/L 5190-03) and will require an adjustment at a later date. Paul Collins stated that the volume of trash is up 6% from last year.

Bob Valentine commented that the Town Aide Road (TAR) is not to be mingled with Capital and Non-Recurring, Paul Collins asked about the costs for the newsletter (Goshen Topics) and Todd Carusillo reported that they are in the process of reducing costs by changing the paper.

TAX COLLECTORS REPORT: The board received and reviewed the Tax Collector's report dated 01/30/2024. Bob Valentine motioned to receive the report, Scott Tillmann seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

- Discussion on the retention of a capital item (ie: trucks) when a replacement has been purchased. The anticipated process is not to retain the old equipment as it expands the budget.
- Bob Valentine noted that the Capital and Non-recurring report for Public Works contains a Truck Replacement line and a Truck Replacement Additional Line which should be combined.
- The selectman met with the Woodridge Lake Property Owners Association (WLPOA) and Todd Carusillo confirms the WLPOA agrees to offset expenses for drainage work. Dexter Kinsella and Garret Harlow met with the WLPOA this past Friday and determined the amount of reimbursement for past expenses. The expenses will be invoiced, and the funds will go into Capital and non-recurring through the Board of Finance.
- The Pavilion walkway still needs to be paved.
- Todd Carusillo to verify if the security system at Camp Cochipianee was complete

Garret Harlow reported a \$11,023.31 unexpected expense for a repair to the hydraulic system of Truck 8-GO. Garret Harlow expects another \$7500 invoice for repair on the Grader next month. The public works department has enough money in its budget to cover these items.

Garret Harlow noted that the lining of pipes on West Hyerdale is estimated to be a \$ 750,000 expense, to repair/replace the 12 ft wide wash pipes. Another upcoming drainage project is on Route 63 in West Goshen and is estimated to be another \$ 750,000 expense. Garret Harlow will be applying for a STEEP grant.

BUDGET PROJECTION REVIEW:

Discussion on the expectation of the Selectman to have completed their review of the budgets for acceptability prior to submitting to the Board of Finance. The Board of Finance requested the original budget created by the department head be shown as well as the final agreed budget with the Board of Selectman. It was noted that the Monthly Progress Report & Capital requires corrections

The following budgets were presented for review and receipt by the Board of Finance. Wages will be adjusted later.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS - DEPARTMENT 31

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$ 93,007.00 Proposed Budget 2024/2025 \$ 96,214.00

Increase to essential software for the tax collecting process.

Paul Collins motioned to receive the budget, Jim Korner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

BUILDING OFFICIAL - DEPARTMENT 05

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$ 81,101.00 Proposed Budget 2024/2025 \$ 80,608.00

Jim Korner motioned to receive the budget, Scott Tillmann seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Reduction in permitting this year. Todd to verify the processing fees.

CIVIL PREPAREDNESS - DEPARTMENT 29

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$7,675.00, Proposed budget 2024/2025 \$7,675.00

Scott Tillmann motioned to receive the budget, Bob Valentine seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION - DEPARTMENT 44

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$1,364.00 Proposed budget 2024/2025 \$1,364.00

Paul Collins motioned to receive the budget, Jim Korner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

CONSERVATION OF HEALTH - DEPARTMENT 51

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$ 75,246.00 Proposed Budget 2024/2025 \$74,529.00

Jim Korner motioned to receive the budget, Scott Tillmann seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION - DEPARTMENT

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$ 569.00, Proposed Budget 2024/2025 \$ \$1,569.00

Paul Collins motioned to receive the budget, Jim Korner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Todd to verify if a \$1000.00 increase in Marketing and Research is needed.

ELECTIONS - DEPARTMENT 14

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$ \$ 26,421.00 Proposed Budget 2024/2025 \$32,081.00

Bob Valentine motioned to receive the budget, Jim Korner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The election budget is based on 23-24 FY plus an estimation of the staffing costs for early voting. The Primary is not included, which could increase the budget \$5,000.00 more. The school referendum has not been included.

PLANNING & ZONING - DEPARTMENT 41

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$ 3,323.00, Proposed Budget 2024/2025 \$ 3,323.00

Scott Tillmann motioned to receive the budget, Paul Collins seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

SELECTMEN - DEPARTMENT 01

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$ 155,435.00, Proposed Budget 2024/2025 \$ 155,985.00

Paul Collins motioned to receive the budget, Bob Valentine seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

STREET LIGHTS – DEPARTMENT 0

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$15,147.00, Proposed Budget 2024/2025 \$14,000.00

Bob Valentine motioned to receive the budget, Scott Tillmann seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

TAX COLLECTOR - DEPARTMENT 12

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$ \$ 47,788.00, Proposed Budget 2024/2025 \$ 46,113.00

Paul Collins motioned to receive the budget, Jim Korner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

TOWN CLERK - DEPARTMENT 11

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$ 98,079.00, Proposed Budget 2024/2025 \$ 109,229.00

Jim Korner motioned to receive the budget, Scott Tillmann seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Land Record Duplication expense doubled. Todd Carusillo will review and advise the Board of Finance.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - DEPARTMENT 42

Current Budget 2023/2024 \$ 1,646.00, Proposed Budget 2024/2025 \$ 1,646.00

Jim Korner motioned to receive the budget, Bob Valentine seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES REQUESTS 2024-2025

<u>Assessor</u>	<u>\$10,850.00 Total</u>
GIS Mapping	\$ 850.00
Revaluation	\$10,000.00
<u>Planning and Zoning</u>	<u>\$10,000.00</u> for Conservation & Development Plan
<u>Town Clerk</u>	<u>\$ 7,500.00 Total</u>
Historic Preservation	\$ 5,500.00
Copy Machine	\$ 2,000.00

Paul Collins made a motion, it was seconded by Jim Korner to accept the Assessor, Planning and Zoning and Town Clerk Capital Expenditure requests of \$28,350.00 as stated above. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Selectman</u>	<u>\$ 97,500.00 Total</u>
Building Maintenance	\$ 5,000.00
Cemeteries	\$ 7,000.00 - Todd Carusillo will remove this item.
Computers/Printers/Hardware Replacement	\$ 9,000.00
Furniture & Fixtures	\$ 1,500.00
General Town Hall Maintenance	\$ 10,000.00
Public Safety	\$ 5,000.00
Telephone Servies (CEN)	\$ 10,000.00 - Bob Valentine asked Todd Carusillo to research these costs.
Website Upgrade	\$ 5,000.00 – Paul Collins asked Todd Carusillo to research these costs.
Total Selectman	\$ 52,500.00
Lakewood	\$ 45,000.00

Todd Carusillo will provide a new budget for Selectman Capital Expenditures Requests.

SELECTMAN’S REPORT: See Report attached.

MIRA is raising their tipping fee from \$116/ton to \$131/ton. New information indicates \$131/ton is only if the State allows MIRA some of the monies set aside for the remediation of their facilities.

The Public Safety Budget line item is under the Selectmen's budget. Allocated \$5000.00 this year for Automated Traffic Enforcement Safety Devices, Speed camera's, Speed bumps and signage along with Crime watch signs.

Bob Valentine asked Todd Carusillo to verify the rules and regulation of the State regarding town speed signs.

CORRESPONDENCE: Two letters were received on February 24, 2024, and February 28, 2024, respectively and distributed to the Board of Finance.

OTHER BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURN: Bob Valentine made a motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Jim Korner. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 pm p.m.

Submitted by

Lee M. Kennedy - Board of Finance Clerk

Town of Goshen, CT
Statement of Comparative Revenues
2/28/2024

		Revenue Comments						
G/L ACCT	Description	CURRENT YEAR				PRIOR YEAR		
		Revenue to date	Revenue Prior Month	Budgeted	as a % of Budget	Revenue to date	Budgeted	as a % of Budget
4100-98	Property Tax Collections	11,307,100.69	10,969,669.58	11,307,515.00	100.00%	11,500,204.76	11,495,538.00	100.04%
4410-98	Other Grants	55,289.12	55,064.12	2,648.00	2087.96%	456,920.05	2,648.00	17255.29%
4405-98	PILOT	14,342.33	13,935.24	9,160.00	156.58%	9,616.20	9,616.00	100.00%
4342-98	Misc. Revenue	14,150.58	13,273.78	6,000.00	235.84%	10,671.42	8,000.00	133.39%
4800-98	Interest & Dividends	233,429.67	199,755.04	75,000.00	311.24%	128,052.63	5,000.00	2561.05%

Income Comments:

- 4100-98 Property Tax Collections - % of budget relatively consistent with prior year;
- 4410-98 Other Grants - Municipal Revenue Sharing \$44,019; Early Voting Grant \$10,500 to be spent on April 2024 Primary; Judicial Grant \$595
- 4405-98 PILOT - Tiered PILOT \$13,935 and DEEP for Beech Hill Road TC#33 \$407.09
- 4342-98 Misc. Revenue - Sale of 5GO \$10,700; Sale of floor jack \$260; Sale of scrap metal \$439; Bank sponsorships for Shred it Day \$1,600; Textile Bins \$746.80
- 4800-98 Interest Income - Feb rate on Sweep account (earned \$23,566) was 5.24%; STIF rate (earned \$10,072) was 5.4%

Other Comments:

- * Municipal Conveyance Surcharge - Feb. town clerk revenues \$2,065; Balance is \$875,154.52 in the Land Acquisition Fund.
- 7001 Town Aid Road - TAR grant of \$282,127.75 received and \$50,000 transferred to General Fund; \$428,854.29 in road expenses paid out including \$337,682 payment to O&G for W Hyerdale, Town Hill and Lyman Lane and \$30,000 to Sepples for Tree Removal & Gridding & Wheel Loader, Transfer to CNR Major Roads \$58,483.50 per BOF 9/27/23 meeting; Mountaintop Trucking Rip Rap \$2,689; Balance in Fund is \$299,889.42.
- ** Cemetery expenses include \$550 for resetting stone at E. Street Cemetery; The Cemetery will reimburse the amount at year-end from Edward Jones account
At year-end, the cemeteries with investment accounts (E. Street, Hall Meadow, W. Goshen & Westside reimburse the lower of expenses or investment income

		Expense Comments						
G/L ACCT	Description	CURRENT YEAR				PRIOR YEAR		
		Expenses to date	Expenses Prior Month	Budgeted	as a % of Budget	Expenses to date	Budgeted	as a % of Budget
5201-43	Land Use Officer	14,460.00	13,014.00	18,634.00	77.60%	13,756.24	17,918.00	76.77%
5625-02	PW-Outside Mechanic Serv	15,950.12	11,448.31	5,500.00	290.00%	5,347.94	4,000.00	133.70%
5049-22	Rec - Camp Lodge Maint	6,745.35	5,896.48	5,000.00	134.91%	5,100.10	5,000.00	102.00%
5245-61	Town Hall Computer Support		18,830.28	15,000.00	0.00%	18,620.74	12,000.00	155.17%
5190-03	MIRA Fees	112,655.72	102,429.16	147,088.00	76.59%	87,660.03	174,000.00	50.38%

Expense Comments:

- 5201-43 Land Use - increase in officer hours due to new construction, land use violations and hours spent on the land purchase for the potential storage facility
- 5625-02 PW-Other Outside Mechanic Services - includes \$11,023.31 payment for Hydraulic repairs for 8GO; Repair & Setup \$3,867 and signs for all vehicles
- 5049-22 Recreation - Camp Lodge Maint - water testing got behind and billing got caught up in current year; other expenses include fire monitoring and annual monitoring, furnace/boiler service, hood inspection
- 5245-61 Town Hall Computer Support - Includes \$11,933 annual subscriptions for mail archive, Google Workspace, anti-virus, anti spam, Cloud backup, additional storage, four quarterly fees of \$900, and \$4,588 for troubleshooting; troubleshooting for remainder of year will put line item significantly overbudget
- 5247-61 Telephone - running high and will need to increase budget for next year; also need to research internet service through CEN
- 5190-03 MIRA Fees - MIRA contract estimated to be \$192,000, but budget was reduced to \$147,088 and actual charges are running high
Hazardous Waste Days are also running high with one more event to be held; Department will likely be over budget

Town of Goshen
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 July 2023 through February 2024

	Jul '23 - Feb 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
REVENUES	11,990,278.93	12,737,305.00	-747,026.07	94.14%
Total Income	11,990,278.93	12,737,305.00	-747,026.07	94.14%
Gross Profit	11,990,278.93	12,737,305.00	-747,026.07	94.14%
Expense				
Contingency	0.00	40,000.00	-40,000.00	0.0%
ANIMAL CONTROL	5,684.00	13,000.00	-7,316.00	43.72%
ASSESSMENT APPEALS	509.64	2,739.00	-2,229.36	18.61%
BOARD OF ASSESSORS	63,440.11	93,007.00	-29,566.89	68.21%
BOARD OF FINANCE	15,490.10	16,812.00	-1,321.90	92.14%
BUILDING OFFICIAL	49,814.55	81,101.00	-31,286.45	61.42%
CEMETERIES	5,100.00	4,072.00	1,028.00	125.25%
CIVIL PREPAREDNESS	3,885.32	7,675.00	-3,789.68	50.62%
CONSERVATION COMM.	0.00	1,364.00	-1,364.00	0.0%
CONSERVATION OF HEALTH	67,619.46	75,246.00	-7,626.54	89.87%
ECONOMICS DEVELOPMENT COMM.	233.21	569.00	-335.79	40.99%
ELECTIONS	14,727.21	26,421.00	-11,693.79	55.74%
EMP BENEFITS & EXP	273,124.69	385,249.00	-112,124.31	70.9%
FIRE COMMISSIONERS	699.39	1,995.00	-1,295.61	35.06%
FIRE MARSHAL	9,249.36	15,716.00	-6,466.64	58.85%
FIRE PROTECTION	66,884.03	109,691.00	-42,806.97	60.98%
FISCAL OFFICE	36,327.16	66,024.00	-29,696.84	55.02%
INLAND WETLANDS	1,347.82	5,447.00	-4,099.18	24.74%
INSURANCE	88,155.75	119,630.00	-31,474.25	73.69%
LAND USE ENFORCE	17,162.51	22,384.00	-5,221.49	76.67%
LIBRARY	101,226.88	164,804.00	-63,577.12	61.42%
MISCELLANEOUS	7,472.59	10,118.00	-2,645.41	73.85%
NEWSLETTER	14,419.15	23,810.00	-9,390.85	60.56%
PLANNING & ZONING	755.98	3,323.00	-2,567.02	22.75%
PROF SERVICES	8,867.94	24,850.00	-15,982.06	35.69%
P W	618,342.82	1,130,370.00	-512,027.18	54.7%
RECREATION	110,242.86	212,285.00	-102,042.14	51.93%
RESCUE SERVICE	6,530.79	35,368.00	-28,837.21	18.47%
SELECTMEN	101,152.45	155,435.00	-54,282.55	65.08%
STREET LIGHTS	8,709.22	15,147.00	-6,437.78	57.5%
TAX COLLECTOR	25,940.53	47,788.00	-21,847.47	54.28%
TOWN CLERK	62,044.63	98,079.00	-36,034.37	63.26%
TOWN OFFICE BUILDING	61,005.34	79,592.00	-18,586.66	76.65%
TREASURER	6,277.24	10,965.00	-4,687.76	57.25%
WASTE REMOVAL	198,143.04	271,941.00	-73,797.96	72.86%
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL	128.13	353.00	-224.87	36.3%
WELFARE	4,672.63	7,342.00	-2,669.37	63.64%
ZONING BD OF APPEALS	248.42	1,646.00	-1,397.58	15.09%

Town of Goshen
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 July 2023 through February 2024

	Jul '23 - Feb 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Total Expense	2,055,634.95	3,381,358.00	-1,325,723.05	60.79%
Net Ordinary Income	9,934,643.98	9,355,947.00	578,696.98	106.19%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
TRANS FROM OTHER FUNDS	51,000.00	51,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Total Other Income	51,000.00	51,000.00	0.00	100.0%
Other Expense				
EDUCATION	6,850,306.00	8,220,367.00	-1,370,061.00	83.33%
TRANSFERS OUT	918,500.00	918,500.00	0.00	100.0%
Total Other Expense	7,768,806.00	9,138,867.00	-1,370,061.00	85.01%
Net Other Income	-7,717,806.00	-9,087,867.00	1,370,061.00	84.92%
Net Income	2,216,837.98	268,080.00	1,948,757.98	826.93%

Town of Goshen
Comparative Operating Statement
July 2023 through February 2024

	Jul '23 - Feb 24	Jul '22 - Feb 23	\$ Change	% Change
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
REVENUES	11,990,278.93	12,460,732.58	-470,453.65	-3.78%
Total Income	11,990,278.93	12,460,732.58	-470,453.65	-3.78%
Gross Profit	11,990,278.93	12,460,732.58	-470,453.65	-3.78%
Expense				
ANIMAL CONTROL	5,684.00	4,490.41	1,193.59	26.58%
ASSESSMENT APPEALS	509.64	339.67	169.97	50.04%
BOARD OF ASSESSORS	63,440.11	58,291.66	5,148.45	8.83%
BOARD OF FINANCE	15,490.10	15,057.92	432.18	2.87%
BUILDING OFFICIAL	49,814.55	54,502.50	-4,687.95	-8.6%
CEMETERIES	5,100.00	3,140.00	1,960.00	62.42%
CIVIL PREPAREDNESS	3,885.32	3,710.64	174.68	4.71%
CONSERVATION OF HEALTH	67,619.46	69,416.26	-1,796.80	-2.59%
ECONOMICS DEVELOPMENT COMM.	233.21	257.11	-23.90	-9.3%
ELECTIONS	14,727.21	18,267.16	-3,539.95	-19.38%
EMP BENEFITS & EXP	273,124.69	260,512.26	12,612.43	4.84%
FIRE COMMISSIONERS	699.39	849.69	-150.30	-17.69%
FIRE MARSHAL	9,249.36	9,073.62	175.74	1.94%
FIRE PROTECTION	66,884.03	50,367.39	16,516.64	32.79%
FISCAL OFFICE	36,327.16	31,057.46	5,269.70	16.97%
INLAND WETLANDS	1,347.82	1,838.52	-490.70	-26.69%
INSURANCE	88,155.75	87,534.75	621.00	0.71%
LAND USE ENFORCE	17,162.51	16,839.39	323.12	1.92%
LIBRARY	101,226.88	108,763.82	-7,536.94	-6.93%
MISCELLANEOUS	7,472.59	6,694.02	778.57	11.63%
NEWSLETTER	14,419.15	13,100.11	1,319.04	10.07%
PLANNING & ZONING	755.98	3,365.32	-2,609.34	-77.54%
PROF SERVICES	8,867.94	8,613.76	254.18	2.95%
P W	618,342.82	534,076.25	84,266.57	15.78%
RECREATION	110,242.86	114,861.88	-4,619.02	-4.02%
RESCUE SERVICE	6,530.79	12,629.33	-6,098.54	-48.29%
SELECTMEN	101,152.45	101,953.78	-801.33	-0.79%
STREET LIGHTS	8,709.22	8,473.13	236.09	2.79%
TAX COLLECTOR	25,940.53	28,430.21	-2,489.68	-8.76%
TOWN CLERK	62,044.63	61,264.88	779.75	1.27%
TOWN OFFICE BUILDING	61,005.34	58,706.96	2,298.38	3.92%
TREASURER	6,277.24	6,806.60	-529.36	-7.78%
WASTE REMOVAL	198,143.04	166,574.75	31,568.29	18.95%
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL	128.13	10.15	117.98	1,162.37%
WELFARE	4,672.63	6,042.75	-1,370.12	-22.67%
ZONING BD OF APPEALS	248.42	768.44	-520.02	-67.67%
Total Expense	2,055,634.95	1,926,682.55	128,952.40	6.69%
Net Ordinary Income	9,934,643.98	10,534,050.03	-599,406.05	-5.69%

Town of Goshen
Comparative Operating Statement
 July 2023 through February 2024

	Jul '23 - Feb 24	Jul '22 - Feb 23	\$ Change	% Change
Other Income/Expense				
Other Income				
TRANS FROM OTHER FUNDS	51,000.00	51,000.00	0.00	0.0%
Total Other Income	51,000.00	51,000.00	0.00	0.0%
Other Expense				
EDUCATION	6,850,306.00	6,930,168.00	-79,862.00	-1.15%
TRANSFERS OUT	918,500.00	1,209,098.75	-290,598.75	-24.03%
Total Other Expense	7,768,806.00	8,139,266.75	-370,460.75	-4.55%
Net Other Income	-7,717,806.00	-8,088,266.75	370,460.75	4.58%
Net Income	2,216,837.98	2,445,783.28	-228,945.30	-9.36%

COLLECTION INFORMATION AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2024
MEMO FROM TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

2022 Grand List Collection Information

Beginning Tax Levy	11,367,517.16
Adjusted Tax Levy (as of month end)	11,448,245.79
Current Grand List Year Collections	** 11,289,447.72
Current year collection rate - collected vs. tax levy =	98.61%

Budgeted collections – taxes	11,307,515.00
<u>Budgeted collections – interest & lien fees</u>	<u>33,000.00</u>
Total budgeted collections	11,340,515.00

Total collections(includes interest & taxes & fees)	**** 11,350,114.12
<u>Refunds paid & unpaid</u>	<u>29,957.39</u>
Total collections less refunds(paid & unpaid)	* 11,320,156.73
Collection rate - collected less refunds vs total budgeted	99.82%

2021 Grand List Collection Information

Beginning Tax Levy	11,541,595.79
Adjusted Tax Levy (as of month end)	11,539,455.86
Current Grand List Year Collections	11,475,690.17
Current year collection rate - collected vs. tax levy =	99.45%

Budgeted collections – taxes	11,495,538.00
<u>Budgeted collections – interest & lien fees</u>	<u>24,000.00</u>
Total budgeted collections	11,519,538.00

Total collections(includes interest & taxes & fees)	11,461,241.17
<u>Refunds paid & unpaid</u>	<u>14,044.45</u>
Total collections less refunds(paid & unpaid)	11,447,196.72
Collection rate - collected less refunds vs total budgeted	99.37%

Prior Three Years Collection Rates

2020 GL Collection rate - collected less refunds vs total budgeted	100.71%
2019 GL Collection rate - collected less refunds vs total budgeted	98.64%
2018 GL Collection rate - collected less refunds vs total budgeted	99.05%

**FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 - 2022 Grand List
TOWN OF GOSHEN
TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
FOR YEAR TO DATE**

Grand List Year	Uncollected Taxes	Current Levy	Lawful Corrections		Transfers to to Suspense	Adjusted Taxes Collectible	Collections			Uncollected Taxes w/ Refunds Paid refunds Added back in 29-Feb-24		Prior F/Y's Refunds	Over- payments	Refunds			Refunds unpaid Month end
			Additions	Deductions			** Taxes	Interest	Total	Refunds	Generating			Transfers/ Writeoffs	Paid		
																July 1, 2021	
2022		11,367,517.16	5,272.55	15,546.66	-	11,357,243.05	11,289,447.72	19,162.79	11,308,610.51	77,681.35	-	18,464.70	7,952.99	-	9,886.02	16,531.67	
2021	33,439.74		5.00	636.78	-	32,807.96	22,594.82	3,673.89	26,268.71	13,696.31	9,694.53	74.89	3.00	4,438.53	3,483.17	1,850.72	
2020	12,818.84		-	-	-	12,818.84	6,569.71	2,295.74	8,865.45	6,430.13	384.02	-	-	-	181.00	203.02	
2019	7,343.07		-	-	-	7,343.07	1,300.88	604.02	1,904.90	6,086.35	88.79	-	-	44.63	44.16	-	
2018	3,781.45		-	-	-	3,781.45	338.29	253.95	592.24	3,443.16	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2017	2,219.91		-	-	-	2,219.91	-	-	-	2,219.91	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2016	2,632.30		-	-	-	2,632.30	44.88	52.51	97.39	2,587.42	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2015	764.37		-	-	-	764.37	-	-	-	764.37	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2014	554.72		-	-	-	554.72	-	-	-	554.72	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2013	707.30		-	82.37	-	624.93	-	-	-	624.93	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2012	1,501.29		-	-	-	1,501.29	-	-	-	1,501.29	-	-	-	-	-	-	
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Total	66,739.72	11,367,517.16	5,277.55	16,265.81	-	11,423,268.62	11,320,372.48	26,689.04	11,347,061.52	116,490.49	10,167.34	18,539.59	7,955.99	4,483.16	13,594.35	18,585.41	
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MARSHAL FEES						254.55											
ADMIN FEES								2,241.00	2,241.00								
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Board of Finance meeting 3-27-2024

Selectman's report:

The Registrar of Voters needed a new laptop for early voting, so we had to order one. Cost \$713.09

The Library Board wanted to know, if they receive donations from the public, can those donations be ear-marked in a separate fund for books etc,. So if have a budget request of \$17,000 for books and the donations add up to \$500. They want to get \$17,500 for Books or if it's a program donation, same goes for that line item?

The Town Hall Boiler had to be replaced, it's a five section boiler, the fourth section had two four inch cracks in it. Total cost of replacement was \$13,800.00 I had the contractor put in a thermal by-pass to protect the new boiler.

MIRA new tipping fee of \$131.00 will start July 1st 2024, we are projecting 1725 tons for this past FY 23-24, times the new rate of \$131. will equal \$225975.00 that what you see in the recycling budget for next FY 24-25 for MIRA solid waste tipping fee's.

Public Safety Budget line item is under the Selectmen's budget \$5000.00 this year for Automated Traffic Enforcement Safety Devices (Speed camera's), Speed bumps or painting of speed bumps w/ signage along with Crime watch signs etc,. **After review of the State regulations** as requested, the speed cameras can only be installed on roads that had accidents caused by speeding, and there must be 2 accidents in one given year. **The only place would be the rotary or Route 4 East near East Street South, and that's if the State allows the cameras on State roads.**

We spent \$200k on the land and 11K for engineering and closing cost, which can be used as part of the Town's matching monies, I am asking for \$300K for balance of the Town's matching monies along with the STEAP \$500K for the construction of storage building.

Selectmen's Town Hall Budget was changed to \$7380.00 for Connecticut Education Network which expires this April 2024, the contract was from 7/18/2018 to April 5th 2024 past invoice was \$ 8,640.15 **Bob Valentine asked Todd to check with Optimum, The closest fiber optics is in Litchfield, Optimum does not know when the high speed fiber will be in Goshen. Connecticut Education Network offered a 5 year deal for \$7380.00 \$123. X 60 months. And We do not lose internet with CEN when the power goes out like we would with optimum. The Telephone Service shouldn't be on the Selectman's Town Hall Capital Expenditures request last month. I believe this a operating expense not a capital expense.**

I removed the \$7000.00 from the Selectman Budget for the cemeteries as requested.

No new reports on the backhoe, looking for a matching front axle. Auctions or used.

Litchfield Chore Services merger with Salisbury Chore are requesting \$2500. Up from \$525.00 I have a call into them, for reasoning of the increase. See email response from Jane.

Todd Carusillo

From: Jane Maclaren <jane@choreservice.org> on behalf of Jane Maclaren
Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2024 2:54 PM
To: 1stselectman@goshenct.gov
Subject: Chore Service

Hi, Todd. Thank you for your time this afternoon. In Goshen, we currently have three active clients and one resident who is a chore worker. We anticipate some worker overlap between the two organizations in bordering towns. As I mentioned, we expect these numbers to grow as we move forward with the consolidation. We are confident that many unidentified residents need Chore's essential services. We will increase community outreach over the next year to ensure all those in need receive services regardless of their ability to pay. All old and new towns have been asked to increase their annual funding request due to significant funding decreases and increased worker expenses.

Thank you for considering Chore's funding request. We appreciate Goshen's support.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions. Take care.

Jane Maclaren
Executive Director
Chore Service, Inc.
(860) 435-9177

Mailing Address: PO Box 522, Lakeville, CT 06039
Physical Address: 15 Academy Street, Unit 6, Salisbury, CT
Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00-4:00, Friday 9:00-12:00
jane@choreservice.org
<http://www.choreservice.org>

Town Only

Terminal / Batch	
Terminal	20
Batch	1266

Cash	0.00	0
Check	0.00	0
Credit Card	0.00	0
Total	0.00	0

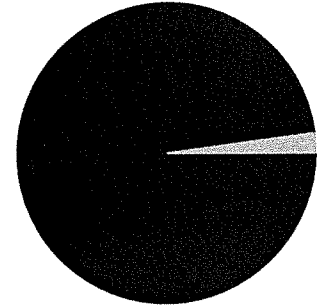
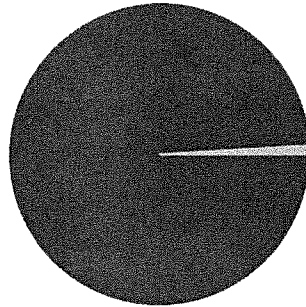
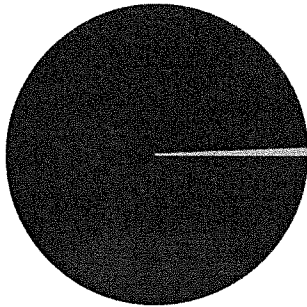
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Run on:	02/20/2024

Percent Collection as of 03/19/2024

REAL ESTATE
 Uncollected - 0.66%
 Collected - 99.34%

PERSONAL PROPERTY
 Uncollected - 0.92%
 Collected - 99.08%

MV REGULAR
 Uncollected - 2.07%
 Collected - 97.93%



Light Grey	Total Due = \$68,649.54
Dark Grey	Total Paid = \$10,273,576.92

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Light Grey	Total Due = \$15,764.18
Dark Grey	Total Paid = \$746,150.74

Type	Total Billed	Total Paid	Total Due	Percent Collected
REAL ESTATE	10,342,226.46	10,273,576.92	68,649.54	99.34
PERSONAL PRO	256,267.47	253,917.34	2,350.13	99.08
MOTOR VEHICL	761,914.92	746,150.74	15,764.18	97.93
MOTOR VEHICL	82,782.20	73,465.41	9,316.79	88.75
TOTALS:	\$11,443,191.05	\$11,347,110.41	\$96,080.64	

**COLLECTION INFORMATION AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2024
MEMO FROM TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE**

2022 Grand List Collection Information

Beginning Tax Levy		11,367,517.16
Adjusted Tax Levy (as of month end)		11,448,245.79
Current Grand List Year Collections	**	11,289,447.72
Current year collection rate - collected vs. tax levy =		98.61%

Budgeted collections – taxes		11,307,515.00
Budgeted collections – interest & lien fees		33,000.00
Total budgeted collections		11,340,515.00

Total collections(includes interest & taxes & fees)	****	11,350,114.12
Refunds paid & unpaid		29,957.39
Total collections less refunds(paid & unpaid)	*	11,320,156.73
Collection rate - collected less refunds vs total budgeted		99.82%

2021 Grand List Collection Information

Beginning Tax Levy		11,541,595.79
Adjusted Tax Levy (as of month end)		11,539,455.86
Current Grand List Year Collections		11,475,690.17
Current year collection rate - collected vs. tax levy =		99.45%

Budgeted collections – taxes		11,495,538.00
Budgeted collections – interest & lien fees		24,000.00
Total budgeted collections		11,519,538.00

Total collections(includes interest & taxes & fees)		11,461,241.17
Refunds paid & unpaid		14,044.45
Total collections less refunds(paid & unpaid)		11,447,196.72
Collection rate - collected less refunds vs total budgeted		99.37%

Prior Three Years Collection Rates

2020 GL Collection rate - collected less refunds vs total budgeted		100.71%
2019 GL Collection rate - collected less refunds vs total budgeted		98.64%
2018 GL Collection rate - collected less refunds vs total budgeted		99.05%

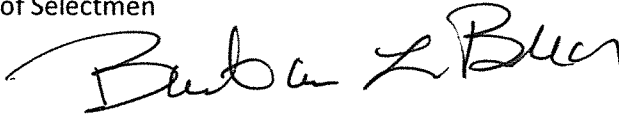
**FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024 - 2022 Grand List
TOWN OF GOSHEN
TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
FOR YEAR TO DATE**

Grand List Year	Uncollected Taxes July 1, 2021	Current Levy	Lawful Additions	Corrections	Deductions	Transfers to Suspense	Adjusted Collectible Taxes	Collections		Total	Paid Refunds Added back in 29-Feb-24	Uncollected Taxes w/ Refunds	Prior F/Y's Refunds	Over-payments	Adjustments Generating	Transfers/Writeoffs	Refunds Month end																																																																																										
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DATE: February 29, 2024

TO: Board of Finance and Board of Selectmen

FROM: Barbara Breor, Town Clerk

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara Breor". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B'.

SUBJECT: Land Records System

I will try to explain the price increase in Land Records. Back in December 2022 you may have heard in the news how Cott Systems had a cyber attack and some Connecticut Town Clerk's were not able to get into their systems, for weeks. This turned the page in the Land Recording systems. I had a Zoom meeting with my company a few weeks after the attack and they told all on the call that essentially because of cyber security and insurance the price would be tripling for the system once my contract was up. The contract is set to expire on April 1, 2024.

There was an email sent out to all companies that do Land Recordings on February 14, 2023 stating that the Land Records system was going out to bid on February 15, 2023 and all bids would be open at the April 4, 2023 Board of Selectmen's meeting. Cott sent out a representative to talk with me and I had a few inquiries from companies I had never heard of. On April 4 there was one bid to be opened from IQS. I went over the bid and everything that had been requested was there. A week later I received two calls one from the company that I currently am in contract with and the other from the company that we had prior. Both stated that they missed/forgot about the bid and one stated that they could not have come in lower than the price we were quoted from IQS because of the cybersecurity and insurances.

I am attaching a copy of the legal notice that I ran and the email that I sent out to the companies, responses of those that looked at the bid, that I received and other emails in relation to said bid.

Unfortunately, we all have to pay the price for security and insurance. We have seen it at the Town level and what is required of us for insurance. The one benefit that IQS is adding an extra level of security for our residents as well. They offer a service were you can be notified, via email, if a recording gets put on in your name.

I am not happy with the increase either, but it unfortunately is an evil necessity.



Barb Breor <townclerk@goshenct.gov>

April 1, 2024 Goshen Land Records Management System RFP

1 message

Barb Breor <Townclerk@goshenct.gov>

Tue, Feb 14, 2023 at 2:56 PM

To: townclerk@goshenct.gov

Bcc: matta@iqsworks.com, "Mark R. Kirk" <mkirk@cottsystems.com>, tony.mustillo@avenuinsights.com, "Wagner, Mike" <Mike.Wagner@tylertech.com>, Sheryl Dunleavy <sheryld@newvisionsystems.com>, Steve Schell <steve.schell@kofile.com>, Todd Carusillo <1stselectman@goshenct.gov>

Hello,

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If you have questions please let me know.

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Barbara L. Breor
Goshen Town Clerk

RepublicanAmerican

389 Meadow Street • Waterbury, CT 06702 • 1-800-992-3232

Classified Advertising Proof

Account Number: 31904
Order Number: RA0901800

BARBARA BREOR
GOSHEN, TOWN OF
42C NORTH STREET
GOSHEN, CT 06056
860-491-3647

Title: Republican-American | **Class:** L-Legal -Public Notice 019
Start date: 2/16/2023 | **Stop date:** 2/16/2023 |
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Goshen Town Clerk
Request for Land
Records Management System Bid

The Town of Goshen, CT seeks bids for a Land Records Management System. Prospective bidders may download the RFP/Bid Document at: www.goshenct.gov and or contact the Town Clerk at 860-491-3647. Sealed bids must be received no later than 4:00 pm on April 4, 2023.

Town of Goshen is an
AA/EOE/M/F/D/V
R-A February 16, 2023

Total Order Price: \$44.08



Barb Breor <townclerk@goshenct.gov>

Re: April 1, 2024 Goshen Land Records Management System RFP

1 message

Matt Abert <matta@iqsworks.com>
To: Barb Breor <Townclerk@goshenct.gov>

Tue, Feb 14, 2023 at 7:27 PM

Hi Barbara,

Thank you for the notification, I look forward to responding to your RFP. Feel free to reach out if you have any questions about IQS and our services.

Matt Abert

On Tue, Feb 14, 2023 at 3:05 PM Barb Breor <Townclerk@goshenct.gov> wrote:

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Barbara L. Breor
Goshen Town Clerk

Matt Abert
Info Quick Solutions, Inc. (IQS)
7460 Morgan Road
Liverpool, NY 13090 [Map](#)

Ph: +1-800-320-2617
Ph: (315) 463-1400
Fax: (315) 463-6202
matta@iqsworks.com
<http://www.iqsworks.com>



Barb Breor <townclerk@goshenct.gov>

RE: April 1, 2024 Goshen Land Records Management System RFP

1 message

Mark R. Kirk <mkirk@cottsystems.com>

Wed, Feb 15, 2023 at 7:27 AM

To: Barb Breor <Townclerk@goshenct.gov>

Cc: Karen Bailey <kbailey@cottsystems.com>, Cornelius Spangler <cspangler@cottsystems.com>

Barb,

I will look at it. TY.

Mark R. Kirk | Sales Account Executive

Cott Systems, Inc. | 2800 Corporate Exchange Dr., Ste.300 | Columbus, OH 43231

d) 860-429-4409 m) 860-428-1310 f) (614) 847-3737

e) mkirk@cottsystems.com | web) www.cottsystems.com

From: Barb Breor <Townclerk@goshenct.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 2:57 PM

To: townclerk@goshenct.gov

Subject: April 1, 2024 Goshen Land Records Management System RFP

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Barbara L. Breor

Goshen Town Clerk

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Barb Breor <townclerk@goshenct.gov>

RE: April 1, 2024 Goshen Land Records Management System RFP

1 message

Joy Johnson <Joy.Johnson@govos.com>

Tue, Feb 28, 2023 at 8:58 AM

To: "townclerk@goshenct.gov" <townclerk@goshenct.gov>, Zac Fedele <Zac.Fedele@govos.com>

Good Morning Barb,

Thank you for letting us know. I'm in the process of sending an email to all of you letting you know that Zac is no longer with GovOS.

I am going through this emails now and will be responding.

Hope you are doing well!

Best,

Joy



Joy Johnson

VP, Customer Success

412-334-4640

joy.johnson@govos.com | www.govos.com

From: Barb Breor <Townclerk@goshenct.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 14, 2023 2:39 PM
To: Zac Fedele <Zac.Fedele@govos.com>
Subject: April 1, 2024 Goshen Land Records Management System RFP

Hello,

Starting on February 15, 2023 at 1:00 am the RFP and Bid will become available on the Town of Goshen's website: goshenct.gov "How Do I" "view" "Bid & RFP". It will remain open on the website till April 3, 2023. All bids must be submitted by 4:00 pm on April 4 and will be opened at 5:00 pm.

Seeing as I have no clue as to whom my account rep is please forward this to whomever may be interested. Thank you.



Barb Breor <townclerk@goshenct.gov>

Re: Land Records System

1 message

Barb Breor <Townclerk@goshenct.gov>

Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 11:59 AM

To: Cheryl Pinkos <cpinkos@bridgewater-ct.gov>

Town Policy requires me to go to bid when my contract is up. I have been getting quotes from other companies besides the 6 I know of. One is shockingly in India! I put the RFP on line and have an additional 4 companies looking at the bid. One is a division of Kodak. I have never had Cott. I was a BRC/ACS/Avenue girl before I switched to Kofile/GovOs. I am hoping Cott gives me a decent quote.

How is their Customer Service? Do you get to speak to someone right away or do you have to await a call back? How long does it take for a call back?

Thanks,

Barbara

On Mon, Feb 27, 2023 at 12:02 PM Cheryl Pinkos <cpinkos@bridgewater-ct.gov> wrote:

Wow, Barb, there are actually 6 systems out there!?!?! It's such a pain in the neck doing this. I'm so glad I have Cott and am very happy with them. Did you ever have cott? Why do you have to go out to bid for a land records quote?

I'm sorry I'm late getting back to you but I was out and then my first day back Mark Kirk actually came in and said he was going to see you!

Hope all is well!

Kind regards,

Cheryl 😊

From: Barb Breor <Townclerk@goshenct.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 11:30 AM

To: Barkhamsted <hkrouse@barkhamsted.us>; Bethlehem Town Clerk <townclerkbethlehem@snet.net>; Canaan (North) Town Clerk <townclerk@northcanaan.org>; carol_anderson@torringtonct.org; Cathy DuPont <cdupont@thomastonct.org>; Cheryl Pinkos <cpinkos@bridgewater-ct.gov>; Cheryl Pinkos <cpinkos@bridgewater-ct.gov>; Colebrook Town Clerk <dmckee@colebrooktownhall.org>; Cornwall Town Clerk <cwtownclerk@optonline.net>; Darlene Brady <townclerk@townofkentct.org>; Harwinton Town Clerk <townclerk@harwinton.us>; Johanna Mann <townclerk@canaanfallsvillage.org>; Julie <townclerk@warrenct.org>; Lisa Losee <townclerk@townoflitchfield.org>; Lynn Florio <LFlorio@newhartfordct.gov>; Mary-Jane Ugalde <townclerkoffice@burlingtonct.us>; Morris Town Clerk <townclerk@townofmorristct.com>; Noreen Pritchard <nprichard@newmilford.org>; Norfolk Town Clerk <nfkclerk@snet.net>; Pat Williams <townclerk@salisburyct.us>; Plymouth Town Clerk <ecabiya@plymouthct.us>; Roxbury Town Clerk <townclerk@roxburyct.com>; Sharon Town Clerk <sharontownclerk@yahoo.com>; Sheila Anson <townclerk@washingtonct.org>; Sheila Anson <SAnson@washingtonct.org>; Watertown Town Clerk <daltonl@watertownct.org>; Winchester Town Clerk <townclerk@townofwinchester.org>

Subject: Re: Land Records System

Thank you all so much for the information. I sent my notice of bid out to 6 Land Records systems. I appreciate all of you and your assistance.



Barb Breor <townclerk@goshenct.gov>

Form submission from: Land Records Management System - RFP April 2024 implementation date

1 message

Goshen CT via Goshen CT <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>

Sun, Feb 26, 2023 at 9:31 PM

Reply-To: Goshen CT <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>

To: townclerk@goshenct.gov

Submitted on Sunday, February 26, 2023 - 9:31pm

Submitted by anonymous user: 106.51.65.133

Submitted values are:

First Name: Eric

Last Name: Johnson

Email: sourcemanagement@napc.me

==Business Information==

Business Name:

Business Phone:

Address Line 1:

Address Line 2:

City:

State / Province: Colorado

Zip Code: 81504

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<https://www.goshenct.gov/node/77726/submission/10076>



Barb Breor <townclerk@goshenct.gov>

Form submission from: Land Records Management System - RFP April 2024 implementation date

1 message

Goshen CT via Goshen CT <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>

Thu, Feb 16, 2023 at 9:27 AM

Reply-To: Goshen CT <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>

To: townclerk@goshenct.gov

Submitted on Thursday, February 16, 2023 - 9:27am

Submitted by anonymous user: 2600:8805:d208:800:6c4e:961c:b068:62b

Submitted values are:

First Name: Noah

Last Name: Fox

Email: noah.fox@kodakalaris.com

==Business Information==

Business Name: Kodak Alaris

Business Phone: 8605329298

Address Line 1: 336 Initiative Drive

Address Line 2: 336

City: Rochester

State / Province: New York

Zip Code: 14624

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

<https://www.goshenct.gov/node/77726/submission/10056>



Barb Breor <townclerk@goshenct.gov>

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1 message

Goshen CT via Goshen CT <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>
Reply-To: Goshen CT <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>
To: townclerk@goshenct.gov

Thu, Feb 16, 2023 at 1:22 AM

Submitted on Thursday, February 16, 2023 - 1:22am
Submitted by anonymous user: 2401:4900:1c80:4f39:4046:e36e:74f3:6365
Submitted values are:

First Name: Steve
Last Name: Walse
Email: rfpalerts@gmail.com
==Business Information==
Business Name: Seven Outsource
Business Phone: 4410315308
Address Line 1: 113 Barksdale Professional Cen, New, Newark
Address Line 2: 3153087852
City: Newark
State / Province: Delaware
Zip Code: 19711

The results of this submission may be viewed at:
<https://www.goshenct.gov/node/77726/submission/10051>



Barb Breor <townclerk@goshenct.gov>

Form submission from: Land Records Management System - RFP April 2024 implementation date

1 message

Goshen CT via Goshen CT <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>
Reply-To: Goshen CT <cmsmailer@civicplus.com>
To: townclerk@goshenct.gov

Wed, Feb 15, 2023 at 11:53 AM

Submitted on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 - 11:53am
Submitted by anonymous user: 72.90.69.71
Submitted values are:

First Name: Brian
Last Name: Owens
Email: briano@iqsworks.com
==Business Information==
Business Name: Info Quick Solutions (IQS)
Business Phone: 3155464984
Address Line 1: 7460 Morgan Road
Address Line 2:
City: Liverpool
State / Province: New York
Zip Code: 13090

The results of this submission may be viewed at:
<https://www.goshenct.gov/node/77726/submission/10046>

March 19th, 2024

Dear Board of Finance,

I am writing first to thank you for your work on the board, for your attention to detail in upholding fiscal responsibility, and ultimately for your role in the protection of taxpayer dollars.

I am writing to request that the Board of Finance consider denial of any request from the First Selectman and Public Works Department for funding of a new Public Works building, until such time that it can be determined, through a non-biased approach, that additional infrastructure is needed and that adequate and substantial public involvement, including meetings and site visits have taken place.

I have been advised at the 20 February 2024 Board of Selectmen (BOS) meeting, that a new building proposal will be presented for the land on RT 4, 190 Sharon Turnpike at the next BOS and Planning and Zoning meetings on 27 February 2024. I have also confirmed with the Selectmen that as of 22 February 2024, no needs assessment for public works has been conducted. How can another proposal be put forth, if we have not even determined that new infrastructure is needed?

As a taxpayer of this town, I remain extremely concerned about the lack of effective strategic planning and the lack of transparency in public expenditures held by the First Selectmen in relation to public infrastructure. How much of a tax increase will the taxpayers of Goshen be burdened with because of another building and its associated long-term maintenance?

I am equally concerned with the First Selectman's proposals for excessive expenditures, not only on the proposal for a public works facility and its associated long-term maintenance, but also committing the town to a particular match amount for a STEAP grant related to the public works proposal. The amount of the match was far above what was required, and far above what other comparable municipalities have committed to for similar projects. All without adequate transparency with the town boards, or the taxpayers of this town.

The following is a list of additional concerns:

- Initially, a piece of equipment was borrowed from the Council of Governments (COG), that was too big to fit in the existing public works building – that was reportedly where the idea for a facility initiated. Poor planning is not a justification for spending hard-earned taxpayer dollars and committing the town to a development it does not want, at a location it wants protected. Is the First Selectman seriously considering new permanent infrastructure to house equipment that is not even owned by the town? Such a proposal will waste substantial taxpayer dollars.

- The population in Goshen is stable and has not shown significant growth over many decades. From 2000-2021, Goshen had an annual population growth rate of 0.81% - Neilberg.com Spending taxpayer dollars on an additional public works building based on the assumption that the population of Goshen “might one day” increase dramatically, is not justifiable.
- It is permissible to store many pieces of equipment outside & it is questionable whether a building is needed.
- Developing on undeveloped land is more costly than locating a development in existing footprints, such as the existing public works site. On page 25 of the existing Plan of Conservation and Development (POCD), it states the following: “It appears there is considerable satisfaction with the current town facilities and services” ... The Plan of Conservation and Development further states: “Accordingly, any decision to change or improve a municipal service or facility will involve considerable public discussion prior to a formal proposal.” There has been a consistent lack of transparency from the First Selectman regarding the public works proposals, which is in direct conflict with the recommendations of the POCD.

Additionally, page 28 of the POCD states the following for both Public Works and Fire Department existing locations: “Room for expansion is available”, and “The property has area available for additional expansion if necessary.” Purchasing and proposing infrastructure at 190 Sharon Turnpike was and is in direct conflict with the recommendations of the approved POCD.

I further respectfully request that you use extra caution and scrutiny with any further requests made to this committee, given the circumstances under which the public works situation has been handled.

Please enter this letter into public record.

Respectfully submitted,

Marissa L. Wright
226 Sharon Turnpike
Goshen, CT 06756



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"Promoting Health & Preventing Disease Since 1967"

January 23, 2024

To: Todd Carusillo, First Selectman & Board of Finance
From: Robert Rubbo, Director of Health
Re: **FY25 Per Capita Assessment for Goshen**

Your Per Capita Assessment for FY25 is shown below. It is a function of 1) Your 2021 population as determined by the State Department of Public Health (please note the state of CT has informed us to use **2021** census data due to discrepancies in the 2022 census data), & 2) The per capita rate as set by the Board of Health.

Year	Population	Per Capita Rate	Total Assessment
2023-2024	3,165	\$5.48	\$17,344
2024-2025	3,165	\$5.48	\$17,344

As you will note above the TAHD Board of Health voted at its January 18, 2024 quarterly meeting NOT to increase the per capita rate to our member towns for fiscal year 2024-2025. By not increasing our local per capita rate this will be TAHD's eighth year in a row where the per capita rate remained flat for the towns we serve even though we have seen state cuts in many of those years. I am proud to say that TAHD has done an exceptional job controlling expenditures and securing other sources of grant revenue thus making it possible to absorb the state cuts. I would also like to note that TAHD continues to expand its services to its member towns regardless of increased expenses. For example, some programs that TAHD has added over the last couple of years are opioid prevention programs, chronic disease self-management, diabetes prevention program, fall prevention, workforce development program, and a suicide prevention program.

By not increasing the Per Capita Rate we may have to draw on our general fund to cover any revenue minus expense shortfalls. This decision was made because we are very sensitive to the difficult financial climate that our member towns are faced with this coming fiscal year.

Factors that influence TAHD finances:

- Medical benefits will increase again this coming year.
- Our COVID 19 ELC 2 grant will end in FY24.
- Our OD2A an Opioid Prevention grant ended in FY24.
- On a positive note, TAHD has been able to secure a new 5-year workforce development grant along with a 5-year prevention block grant focusing on diabetes prevention and self-management.

I have attached a list of full-time local health districts in CT and their respective per capita rates. TAHD charges the second lowest per capita in the entire State of CT while providing exceptional public health services to its member towns. Along with the list of local health districts is a ten-year history of TAHD's per capita rate for your review. Please see the attached document.

You will be billed for the Per Capita Assessment in June, and we ask that you make the full payment on or before July 1st to help us with our cash flow and to give us a strong financial posture for the first part of our fiscal year.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or comments, or would like to schedule a meeting, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Robert Rubbo; MPH, R.S.
Director of Health

Borough of Bantam, Bethlehem, Canaan, Cornwall, Goshen, Harwinton, Kent, Borough of Litchfield, Litchfield, Middlebury, Morris, Norfolk, North Canaan, Plymouth, Salisbury, Thomaston, Torrington, Warren, Watertown, Winsted

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Torrington Area Health District Per Capita rate 10-year history

2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25
\$5.42	\$5.48	\$5.48	\$5.48	\$5.48	\$5.48	\$5.48	\$5.48	\$5.48	\$5.48
Up \$0.07	Up \$0.06	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change	No Change

State of CT Full-Time Health Districts

FULL TIME HEALTH DISTRICTS	2021 Health District Population	2024 Health District Per Capita Rate
Aspetuck Health District	45209	\$20.39
Newtown Health District	31449	\$16.85
Chatham Health District	61961	\$14.06
West Hartford Bloomfield Health District	85453	\$14.02
Chesprocott Health District	54132	\$13.15
East Shore Health District	69478	\$12.89
CT River Area Health District	54161	\$11.40
Housatonic Valley Health District	74140	\$10.71
	Average	\$14.18
Northeast Health District	84940	\$8.50
Bristol Burlington Health District	70252	\$8.45
Central Connecticut Health District	98348	\$7.75
Ledge Light Health District	153314	\$7.59
Farmington Valley Health District	110079	\$7.50
Naugatuck Valley Health District	126708	\$7.50
Uncas Health District	99990	\$7.26
Quinnipiack Valley Health District	99425	\$7.20
South Central Health District	65219	\$6.65
Eastern Highlands Health District	79696	\$5.81
Torrington Area Health District	132834	\$5.48
North Central Health District	164315	\$4.67



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Fiscal Year: **2024**



Entity Name: **GOSHEN**



Entity Type: **TOWN**



Fiscal Period of Audit From: **July 01, 2023** To: **June 30, 2024**



Auditing Firm: **SINNAMON & ASSOCIATES, LLC**

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I Certify that the information that has been entered into this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Status **Submitted**

Certified Name **Todd Carusillo** Title **First Selectman**

E-Mail **1STSELECTMAN@GOSHENCT** Phone **860-491-2308**

Submitted Date **March 18, 2024 08:53AM**

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