

TOWN OF GOSHEN  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
**MINUTES – Regular Meeting**  
Town Hall Conference Room  
**February 23, 2016**

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

OTHERS: Allan Walker

Robert P. Valentine called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2016 meeting as submitted. Voted unanimous.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES: NONE

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND WARRANT: February 25, 2016

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to approve the warrant and payroll of February 25, 2016 in the amount of \$1,235,078.48. It was noted included in the warrant was the payroll in the amount of \$25,233.96 and the warrant in the amount of \$1,209,844.52 Voted unanimous. Items contained in this warrant showed the expense for 5<sup>th</sup> installment to Region 6 School District, MIRA, the Animal Control installment and Dime Oil.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT:

Bob Valentine reported that Ron McCarthy was chosen back in June 7, 2014 to produce a topography report on Gray Lane road.

IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to add under OLD BUSINESS, item 8e, Gray Lane. Voted unanimous.

Brian Ohler has invited the public to a forum on the subject of Substance Abuse. This will be held on Saturday, March 5, 2016 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Goshen Center School sponsored by The United Coalition of Northwest Connecticut. Featured speaker will be Trooper First Class, Roy Dungan of the Connecticut State Police. Sharon Hospital, Charlotte Hungerford Hospital, High Watch Recovery and the McCall Foundation will be represented. This forum is to present community awareness of substance abuse and the challenges that face the northwest corner.

IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to add under OLD BUSINESS, item 8f, Furnace. Voted unanimous.

Bob Valentine reported on the Department of Justice referencing voting referendum policies under the American with Disabilities Act. Forty-six communities have created a collective response to the DOJ. Note that it is the Secretary of State's office and not local officials of individual municipalities that instructs and direct local Registrar of Voters in the performance of their statutory duties.

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CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

8a. Appointments – None at this time.

8b. Budgets 2016-2017 – None to be presented at this time.

8c. Mowing Bid Recommendations: The below recommendations were received from Garret Harlow, Public Works Supervisor.

- Cemetery Bid Mowing: Haley LLC of Litchfield, CT \$270 for six (6) cemeteries. IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to approve the recommendation of the Public Works Supervisor to contract with Haley LLC of Litchfield for Cemetery Mowing.
- Roadside Mowing: Woolford Lawn Service of Torrington, CT \$11,000 for one year contract. IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to approve the recommendation of the Public Works Supervisor to contract with Woolford Lawn Service for roadside mowing. Voted unanimous.
- Lawn Mowing and Brush Hogging: Haley LLC of Litchfield. IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to approve the recommendation of the Public Works Supervisor to contract with Haley, LLC for lawn mowing and brush hogging. Voted unanimous.

8d. Land Records Management System Bid Recommendation:

- Xerox (ACS) was chosen by Town Clerk, Barbara Breor as being the most economical and practical for the needs of Goshen Town Hall. IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to approve the recommendation from the Town Clerk to enter into a five-year (5) with Xerox (ACS) for the Land Records Management System. Voted unanimous.

8e. Gray Lane:

IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to have Ron McCarthy remain the contractor for topography and wetlands delineation for Gray Lane, per his June 17, 2014 bid with an adjustment of \$265. Voted unanimous.

8f. Furnace:

Pursuant to having the furnace replaced at Town Hall, Bob Valentine had contacted several plumbing/heating contractors for their proposals.

David Harmon Plumbing & Heating, Goshen, CT - \$7108.73

Eco Home Comfort Systems, LLC, Goshen, CT - \$8900.

Connecticut Combustion Corp. Middlebury, CT - \$8880.

Goshen Oil Company, Inc. Goshen, CT - \$14,750. \*Two furnaces, and boiler.

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IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to authorize First Selectman, Robert P. Valentine to negotiate with the bidders for appropriate furnace repair or replacement. Voted unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

9a. Goshen Stampede Permit

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to approve the Special Event Permit Application for the Goshen Stampede, to be held June 17, 18, 19, 2016 at the Goshen Fairgrounds. Voted unanimous.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to add to the agenda, under New Business, item 9b – Homeland Security Grant. Voted unanimous.

9b. Homeland Security Grant

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to authorize First Selectmen, Robert P. Valentine, to enter into 2015 Homeland Security Grant Municipal MOA for Goshen. Voted unanimous.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: NONE

ADJOURNMENT: IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide

Enc. Resolution for Homeland Security Grant