

TOWN OF GOSHEN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES – Regular Meeting
August 16, 2016

PRESENT: Dexter S. Kinsella, Robert P. Valentine

OTHERS: Allan Walker, Garrett Harlow, Robert Burke, Esq., Don Patterson, Erin Hurlburt, Nanci Howard, Cate Corwin

EXCUSED: Steven M. Romano

Robert P. Valentine called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was VOTED to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 9, 2016 as submitted. Voted unanimous.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES: With reference to 127 acre parcel of land to be purchased by the Goshen Land Trust and the potential of acquiring an adjacent property, Bob Valentine will attend the next meeting of the Conservation Commission to engage in conversation of same. Additionally, Bob will discuss the possibility of using the Land Trust camping permit process for the town-owned land.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND WARRANT: 8/18/16

IN A MOTION made by Robert P. Valentine, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to approve the warrant and payroll of August 18, 2016 in the amount of \$64,990.53. It was noted included in the warrant was the payroll in the amount of \$13,379.54 and the warrant in the amount of \$51,610.99. Voted unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT:

Gray Lane: Bob Valentine had Garret Harlow, Public Works Supervisor, explain the task order for engineering proposed by David Battista, Lenard Engineering. After reviewing the results coming from that task order, the Board agreed to move forward with the proposal.

Flora Road: In a discussion with Mr. Benoit, Bob Valentine agreed to take down the orange fence that borders the town-owned property, with Mr. Benoit agreeing to refrain from mowing the town-owned property that borders his on Flora Road. In reaching this agreement, the Board of Selectmen are willing to give Mr. Benoit another opportunity to abide by this arrangement of not using town property.

Milton Road: Garret Harlow, Public Works Supervisor, reported on the proposal received from ConnDOT containing the requirements for refurbishing Milton Road. From this report, the Board of Selectmen decided to have David Battista, Lenard Engineering, attend the Board meeting next week, Tuesday, August 23, 2016, to define those requirements for the proposed work. Costs associated with work requirements using the Grant Fund will be examined to find justification for the those additional costs.

Bob Valentine reported that our Auditors have begun the annual audit. The process has been going smoothly. Some questions arose on how to account for expenses associated with summer camp.

Bob Valentine was pleased to report that year-end unaudited accounts for fiscal year 2015/2016 totals \$225,000 to the plus. Bob attributed this positive close to the conscientious work done by employees of the Town of Goshen.

A gathering of all the staff from Camp Cochipianee was held to celebrate a successful season.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

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OLD BUSINESS: Gray Lane – discussed in the report of the First Selectman.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert Valentine, it was VOTED to add to the agenda under New Business 9a. Recommendation from Recreation Commission RFP for Architect Services at Camp Coch Administration Building. Voted unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS: Recommendation from Recreation Commission RFP for Architect Services at Camp Coch Administrative Building: Garret Harlow reported on the three RFP's received regarding the architectural designs for the restrooms located at Camp Coch. The Recreation Commission recommended to the Board of Selectmen to engage John Martin Associates of Torrington for this project.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was VOTED to engage John Martin Associates Architects of Torrington to perform architectural services for the headquarters building at Camp Cochipianee at a fixed fee of \$6,000; construction administration and any additional work to be billed at \$150. Per hour. Voted unanimous.

By consensus, the Board moved into recess at 5:20 p.m. The Board returned to regular session at 5:35 p.m.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: Executive Session – Discussion of Personnel Matter

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was VOTED to move into executive session at 5:35 p.m. for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter. Invited into this executive session were Robert Burke, Esq.; Don Patterson, Erin Hurlburt, Nanci Howard and Garret Harlow representing the Recreation Commission. At 6:05 p.m. Cate Corwin, also of the Recreation Commission, arrived and was duly invited into the executive session. Voted unanimous.

All members of the Recreation Commission exited the executive session at 6:45 p.m.

The Board of Selectmen returned back into open session at 7:05 p.m. No action was taken.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Robert P. Valentine, it was VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. VOTED unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide