

**TOWN OF GOSHEN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MINUTES – Regular Meeting
Town Hall Conference Room
May 5, 2015**

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

OTHERS: Cindy Barrett, Allan Walker

Robert Valentine called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED that the minutes of the meeting of April 28, 2015, were approved as submitted. Motion carried.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES: John Krukar looked further into the issue of elevated sodium levels in his well water by contacting Thomas Stanfield, Deputy Director of Health (TAHD). Mr. Stanfield explained that issues elsewhere in the district are found to be the result of surface water. John will examine how his well casing was extended above ground recently to see if that may be the contributing factor for the sodium issue. Steven Romano visited Camp Coch to view the new flooring and felt it was well done. Bob Valentine reported his visit along with Kate Breakell to Hartford, in an attempt to find a remedy for the problem for pistol permit applicants in having repeated rejections of their fingerprints. The Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection will look into this problem.

IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to approve the warrant and payroll of May 7, 2015, in the amount of \$1,234,765.89. It was noted that included in the payroll and warrant were the payroll in the amount of \$12,479.96 and the warrant in the amount of \$1,222,285.93. Voted unanimous. (Contained in this warrant were payment for 1/6th installment for Region 6, and payment to Dime Oil Company.)

The agenda order was adjusted to hear the bid openings: **9.a Bid Opening: Asphalt Shimming.**

B. Metcalf Paving, Inc.	Price Per Ton:	\$ 92.75
104 Interlaken Road	Price per Key Cut:	\$142.00
Salisbury, CT 06059		

A & J Construction	Price Per Ton:	\$ 90.50
150 Laurel Hill Rd.	Price per Key Cut:	\$389.00
Brookfield, CT 06804		

Progressive Paving & Const., LLC	Price Per Ton:	\$119.00
P.O. Box 160	Price per Key Cut:	\$325.00
Goshen, CT 06756		

Comer Contracting, Inc.	Price Per Ton:	\$101.50
1112 Farmington Ave.	Price per Key Cut:	\$350.00
Farmington, CT 06032		

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KNL Asphalt Paving, Inc.	Price Per Ton:	\$105.00
Pmb 254	Price per Key Cut:	\$300.00
Bethlehem, CT 06751		

IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to receive the bids for Asphalt Shimming and forward said bids to the Public Works Supervisor for review and recommendation. Voted unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE

FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT:

Bob Valentine reported with deep regret, to have received a letter of resignation from Edward Perry, Public Works Supervisor, effective June 30, 2015.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED by the Selectmen to accept Mr. Perry's letter of resignation with profound regret and publicly announced their deep gratitude for Mr. Perry's years of hard work, service and dedication to the town of Goshen.

With reference to the job description for *Public Works Employee*, the request for applicants is posted on the new town Website with a closing date of May 19, 2015. A set of questions will be created for use with the interview process and the candidates.

The Board of Selectmen will be updating the job description for *Public Works Supervisor* to comply with current necessary responsibilities, skills, and knowledge. Mr. Jack Healy, Public Works Supervisor for the town of Litchfield, will be invited to assist in the process of hiring a new *Public Works Supervisor*.

To provide oversight on the Chip Seal Project, Roger Kane will be hired on an hourly basis as a seasonal employee. He will ensure the chip sealing specifications are closely followed by his presence at the beginning set up and during the chip seal process.

On the agenda for the Board of Selectmen meeting for Tuesday, May 12, 2015 will be an item to discuss a letter from Region 6 Board of Education Chairman, Chris Sanders. Mr. Sander's letter contains some suggestions regarding sharing some school functions with Litchfield Schools.

On Wednesday, May 6th, Bob Valentine will travel to the LOB in Hartford, along with other members of the Northwest Hills Council of Governments, to have area legislators hear problems and concerns from the towns in the northwest corner of the state.

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IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to add to the agenda item 8, New Business, item a - *Gravel Bid Recommendations*. Voted unanimously.

IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to accept the recommendation of Public Works Supervisor, Ed Perry to accept the proposal for gravel from Mountaintop, Inc. and authorize First Selectman Valentine to sign a contract with Mountaintop, Inc. for goods and services therein. Voted unanimously.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to add to the agenda item 8, New Business, item b. *Tax Collector's Report, April 30, 2015*. Voted unanimously.

A brief review and discussion took place on the favorable item contained in the *Tax Collector's Report* – Collection rate – collected less refunds vs. total budgeted is \$101.39%.

Bob Valentine reported that the Goshen Board of Finance accepted the town budget submitted to them. A public hearing on said budget will be held May 14, 2015 and a Town Meeting will be held on May 27, 2015 for acceptance or rejection.

IN A MOTION made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Steven M. Romano, it was VOTED to formally accept the *Town Collector's Report – April 20, 2015* as submitted. Voted unanimously.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS: Dexter Kinsella when questioning the status of the Tax Sale was told it was moving forward as scheduled. The notice is posted on the bulletin board at Town Hall and on the Website.

Steven Romano delivered the "Street Lights" report noting lights that were out and pole #18 at Hall Meadow could not be located.

IN A MOTION made by Steven M. Romano, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was VOTED to adjourn the meeting at 5:45 p.m. Voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide

