

GOSHEN BOARD OF FINANCE
MINUTES REGULAR MEETING

Date: October 27, 2021

This hybrid meeting was held in person and with Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Allan D. Walker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Allan D. Walker, Scott Tillmann, Ned Bixler, Russell Hurley, Jim Korner, William Lane and alternates Russell Murdock and Patrick Reilly.

OTHERS: First Selectman, Robert Valentine; Mark Harris, Selectman; George Sinnamon, Auditor from Sinnamon & Associates

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 23, 2021:

Patrick Reilly asked to have “Discussion followed concerning the timing and propriety of the raise.” added after \$56,265 per year in the last line under Correspondence. Scott Tillmann also asked to be listed as excused rather than absent because of the confusion on the date. It was voted to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2021 meeting as amended.

AUDITOR’S REPORT: George Sinnamon reported that Goshen is the first town to have completed its audit. The town is in good shape with a solid tax base, no debt, and a reasonable Fund Balance. He also complimented the tax collector for doing an excellent job.

THE FINANCIAL REPORT: The financial report for 9/30/21 from Debbie Franklin was received and reviewed. The ski program had not been included in the budget so there will be additional expense, but it will be offset by the income from the program.

TAX COLLECTOR’S REPORT: The tax collector’s report for 9/30/21 was received and reviewed.

DISCUSSION OF CALENDAR: The meetings will be held as they have been in the past, but with an extra meeting to be scheduled between the Public Hearing and Town Meeting in May.

CORRESPONDENCE: A letter was received from the estate of George Schuster. A donation has been made to the Town to help with the expense of building a pavilion at Camp Coch. Ned Bixler made a motion seconded by Bill Lane to transfer \$16,548.47 to Capital & Non Recurring for the pavilion. The motion passed unanimously. The Town is grateful to George Schuster for his forethought. A plaque dedicating the pavilion to George Schuster and his wife will be placed on the pavilion.

SELECTMAN’S REPORT: Given by Bob Valentine

- In a recent Town Meeting the town’s people approved the appropriations for both the Fire Company and the two non-profit lakes groups from the ARPA funds which will be received in June of 2022. The first money from the ARPA will be used for the replacement of lost revenue.

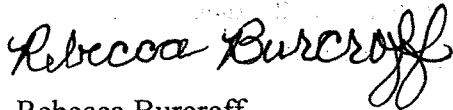
- The Selectmen are currently looking at bids for electrical generation. The current contract runs out at the end of 2022 and they are looking to obtain a 3 year contract to hold down the cost.

OTHER BUSINESS: Scott Tillmann wanted clarification as to how the raise for the Recreation Director was determined. Mr. Tillmann also asked that a few key points be added when there is discussion on a motion.

Bill Lane made a motion seconded by Ned Bixler that the Board of Finance give thanks to Russell Hurley in appreciation of his many years of diligent service and to Bob Valentine for the job he has done as First Selectman. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Rebecca Burcroff

Board of Finance Clerk

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Attest Daniel H. Yurek ASST.
Goshen Town Clerk