

Town of Goshen
Board of Finance
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, June 25, 2025

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Ned Bixler called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. **Attendance:** Chairman Ned Bixler, Vice Chairman, Robert Valentine (zoom), Scott Tillmann, James Korner, Paul Collins, Patrick Reilly. **Excused Absence:** Russell Murdock, Carl Contadini. **Others:** First Selectman, Todd Carusillo, Seth Breakell, Fire Commissioners Chairman.
3. **Seating of an Alternate:** **Motion made by** Paul Collins, seconded by James Korner to seat Patrick Reilly (Alternate) as a regular member for this meeting. Vote unanimous.
4. **Review of Minutes:** **Motion made by** Paul Collins, seconded by James Korner to approve the minutes, it was voted to approve the minutes of May 28, 2025. Voted unanimous.
5. **Financial Report** – The board reviewed and received. **Motion made by** Paul Collins, seconded by James Korner to receive the financial report.
6. **Tax Collector's Report** – The board reviewed and received. **Motion made by** Paul Collins, seconded by James Korner to receive the Tax Collector report.

7. **First Selectman Report:**

Discussion on airboat polymer bottom repairs that needed to be done. There are only four (4) companies that do these repairs and three of them are in Florida. It was discussed how the town will pay for the repairs and reimburse the Fire Company for shipping the airboat to Florida. The cost for the repair is \$10,000 and shipping will be \$3,500.

Todd attending a MIRA Board of Finance zoom meeting regarding the agreement to sell the Torrington Transfer Station to NHCOC (Northwest Hills Council of Government), there is another MIRA meeting scheduled for Thursday, June 26th. Todd will update the board of Finance at their July 24, 2025 meeting.

The bus grants were received for fiscal year 23-24 and 24-25 in 2025, total received is \$70,000. A Total amount of \$118,245.58 is in the operating account.

The Land Use Enforcement Officer will be working by appointments only on Mondays, Wednesday and Friday. Appointments can be made by calling the Land Use office (860) 491-2308 x232 or via email: Landuse@goshenct.gov.

Accounting Consultant, Debbie Franklin asked the First Selectman, Todd Carusillo if the Board of Finance would want to move \$133.26 from Economic Development Commission and \$1,626.17 from Goshen/Cornwall transit bus into Capital unassigned.

Motion made by James Korner, seconded by Patrick Reilly to move \$133.26 from Economic Development Commission and \$1,626.17 Goshen/Cornwall transit bus into Capital unassigned. Vote unanimous.

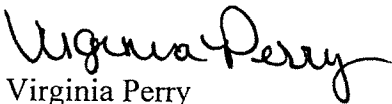
Vice Chair, Robert Valentine spoke on Fire Protection Radio Repairs & Maintenance should be booked to Capital not the operational budget. First Selectman, Todd Carusillo will make the changes.

The Tax Collector notified First Selectman, Todd Carusillo that the money counter cost will need to be increase by \$100.00.

Motion made by Vice Chair, Robert Valetine, seconded by, Paul Collins to move \$100 from unassigned to the Tax Collector Capital Non-Recurring. Vote unanimous.

8. **Correspondence** – Debt Mitigation Agreement from Region #20 Superintendent Dr. Villar
The Agreement between Towns of Goshen, Litchfield, Morris and Warren for payment plan instead of a one-time payment. Vice Chair, Robert Valentine spoke to say the Board of Selectmen can't approve the agreement, only the district #20 voters of Goshen, Litchfield, Morris and Warrant can.
9. **New Business** – Dispersal/Sale of Engine #1
Fire Commissioner Chairman, Seth Breakell spoke on 3 quotes received from companies that auction off fire trucks. The quotes ranged from \$25,000 to \$90,000. First Selectman, Todd Carusillo spoke saying that with a price of new fire apparatus we shouldn't have a problem getting over \$100,000.
10. **Old Business – Forensic Audit**
The Town of Litchfield voted down for a forensic audit of \$150,000 for their budget due to cost of the audit. The First Selectmen from Warren, Morris and Goshen will be meeting next week to discuss moving forward for a Forensic Audit RFP. First Selectman, Todd Carusillo will report back to the Board at next month meeting of July 24, 2025.
11. **Adjourn** - Motion made by James Korner to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.

Submitted by,



Virginia Perry
Board of Finance Commission Clerk

Received June 27, 2025 10:42 AM

Attest 
Cass J. Goshen Town Clerk