

Town of Goshen
Board of Finance
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, August 26, 2026

Call to Order: Chairman Ned Bixler called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Attendance: Chairman, Ned Bixler, Vice Chairman, Scott Tillmann, James Korner, Paul Collins, Lorraine Lucas, Alternate: Patrick Reilly, Ashley Hall-Daddona Excused absence: Robert Layer.
Others: First Selectman, Seth Breakell

Seating of an Alternate: Motion made by Paul Collins, seconded by James Korner to seat Patrick Reilly as a regular member. Motion carries.

Review of Minutes: Motion made by Paul Collins seconded by James Korner, to accept the minutes of July 22, 2026. Patrick Reilly noted that within the Tax Collector report of July 22nd a Motioned made by Paul Collins, seconded by James Korner to *approve* the Tax Collector report; “it should read” a Motion made by Paul Collins, seconded by James Korner to *accept* the Tax Collector report. with no further correction, we receive the minutes as amended. Motion carries with Lorraine Lucas abstaining.

Review Financial Reports - The board received and reviewed.

- Paul Collins commented about the “expense comments” line-item 5042-07 Professional Services Planning Consultant – due to underfunding of the POCD CNR (Planning of Conservation Development Plan Capital Non-Recurring. Planning consultant line is used for the remaining cost and the project is not completed.

Selectman Report:

- Planning of Conservation and Development Plan (POCD) - The plan isn’t completed, Planning & Zoning Commission has filed an extension, the commission is looking for additional monies for printing and public hearing cost in order to finish. The capital for Planning and Zoning Commission for the POCD was decrease due to the board’s decision to develop the plan themselves then to use outside consultant. The board will review the additional monies needed.
- Under the Financial Report - Public Works- “expense comments” line-item 5625-02 PW Other Outside Service – truck #3 radio installation. Seth asked if the \$1,166.00 should be listed under a capital expense not an operation expense. The board had agreed that it should be a capital cost going forward.
- The Budget vs Actual Report under Public Works Salaries/Wages line-item 5015-02 Administrative wages there was a budget typo on wages it should be \$9,160.00 not \$160.00, the budget shows it is over budgeted. Seth asks if this would be an adjusted at the end of the year? Paul Collins suggested that maybe within the budget monies could be reallocated. The board will review suggestion and discuss at next month meeting.
- The Income Other Miscellaneous Revenue line item # 4342-98 actual number of \$38,312.97 and a budgeted number of \$5,000.00; the board wondered if there was a classification error. There was \$27,230.00 miscellaneous revenue; closeout monies from RSD \$4,860.00 the American Legion reimbursed the town for an EMT class.

Selectman Report (continued)

- The town received \$19,000.00 for the sale of a public works truck; Public Works Supervisor, Garret Harlow inquired if the monies could be reallocated to Public Works Truck Replacement Capital; Garret would like to purchase cab and chassis for the plow truck this year and purchase the body next year due to new emission requirements.
- While completed a cross pipe on Pie Hill Road project, public works came upon a small "garbage dump", they had hauled out garbage to the transfer station in Torrington. The extra cost is estimated \$20,000.00 Seth asked the board if the cost could come out of fund balance instead of the Major Road Project Line. The board will review the additional monies needed.
- The Region 6 Pension Trustees had a meeting; sending out the 2nd out of 3 annual checks. We will reassess after this year; the thought is to keep the payment up to pay it out and try to buy out in 5-7 years and the last of the Region 20 MOU payments.
- Would like to reallocate \$1,032.00 from Town Clerk Capital roller shelves to copier for the purchase of a new copier.

Motioned made by Paul Collins, seconded by Scott Tillmann to move \$1,032.00 from roller shelves to copier. Motion carries.

Motion made by Paul Collins, seconded by James Korner to receive the Financial Report. Motion carries.

Review Tax Collector's Report - The board received and reviewed. Motion made by Paul Collins, seconded by James Korner to receive the Tax Collector report. Motion carries

Ned discussed the \$40,000.00 Contingency account for adjustments, when a budget is over by a few thousand, we would move monies from contingency to cover the overages. The pass years we have had more than \$40,000.00 of overages; we would take from other budgets to cover that overages. We will make those adjustments in the September meeting.

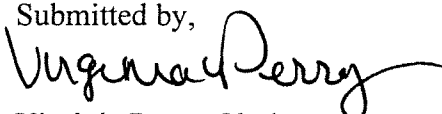
Old Business – None

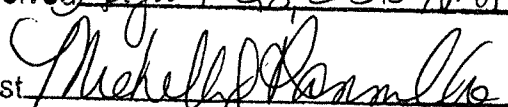
New Business – None

Correspondence - None

Adjourn: **Motion made by** James Korner to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

Submitted by,


Virginia Perry, Clerk Pro-Tem

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Goshen Town Clerk
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