

**Town of Goshen-Board of Fire Commissioners
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 4, 2026 7:00PM**

Present: Don Sage, Lee Rimbach (A), Felix Sambuco and Mike Bergin. (A=Alternate Z=Zoom).

Others: Bill Gilemino, Jason Watley and Paul Collins.

Excused:

Call Meeting to Order: Mike Bergin called the meeting to order at 7:01PM.

Approval of the Minutes: The minutes of the regular meeting of January 7, 2026 were reviewed.

IN A MOTION made by Don Sage and seconded by Felix Sambuco it was **VOTED** to accept the minutes from the January 7, 2026 regular meeting as written. Motion carries.

Correspondence: None.

Fire Marshal's report: January, 2026 report was reviewed.

IN A MOTION made by Don Sage and seconded by Felix Sambuco, it was **VOTED** to accept the January, 2026 Fire Marshal's report. Motion carries.

Bills: All qualifying bills & vouchers were provided by the Clerk, reviewed and signed by Commissioners.

IN A MOTION made by Don Sage and seconded by Felix Sambuco, it was **VOTED** to accept the January, 2026 qualifying bills. Motion carries.

Old Business:

- A. 2026-2027 Budget:** Paul Collins from the Board of Finance came to discuss/review the budget and planning ahead; cost of pagers and it was proposed that next budget year we increase the capital line item; combining ALL town building maintenance into one line item was discussed; the expense of radios for new fire truck and ambulance was discussed as was pager and portable radios; Chief Hall discussed the grant that Warren and Kent are working on with Goshen to help cover the cost of the new radios with the frequency changes; the need for SCPA/bottles requiring new batteries was discussed as was the expiration date for current ones; Engine 2 and Dive Rig require new tires and was directed to move forward since we have the funds available; grant writer in Protection budget was discussed.

New Business:

- A. 2026-2027 Town Fire Commissioners Budget:** Was briefly discussed.

IN A MOTION made by Felix Sambuco and seconded by Lee Rimbach, it was **VOTED** to approve the 2026-2027 Town Fire Commissioners Budget. Motion carries.

Fire Chief's Report: Chief Hall reported the following calls: 31 for Dec, 2025 (F 13, EMS 15, MVA 4) 35 for Jan, 2026 (F 5, EMS 29, MVA 1). The cost of the radio and tools for the new fire truck was discussed and they have a little wiggle room in the budget; new ambulance arriving after July 1, 2026 and that will need a new radio but some other the other communication devices can be moved from the old one; received no bids on the old fire truck, First Selectman found

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heated storage for the rest of the winter for the old fire truck, and it was discussed what the lowest price they are willing to take as was perhaps keeping it.

IN A MOTION made by Don Sage and seconded by Felix Sambuco, it was **VOTED** to accept the Chiefs report for February 4, 2026. Motion carries.

IN A MOTION by Don Sage and seconded by Felix Sambuco it was **VOTED** to adjourn the meeting at 7:37pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lori Clinton, Commission Clerk

Received Feb 5, 2026 @ 1:30 P.M.

Attest: Brian Z Brun
Goshen Town Clerk

2:51 PM
01/20/26
Accrual Basis

Town of Goshen
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

						July 2025 through June 2026				
						ACTUAL	BUDGET	PROPOSED	COMMENTS	
						FY 25-26	FY 25-26	FY 26-27		
Ordinary Income/Expense										
		Expense								
			FIRE COMMISSIONERS							
			5001-27 · Fire Commissioners Clerk				948.47	2,148.00		
			Total FIRE COMMISSIONERS				948.47	2,148.00		
			Total Expense				948.47	2,148.00		
Net Ordinary Income						-948.47	-2,148.00			
Net Income						-948.47	-2,148.00			

10 hours / month

approved 2/4/26 meeting
mins attached