

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

PRESENT: Todd M. Carusillo, Mark S. Harris, Dexter S. Kinsella (zoom)

OTHERS: Dawn Wilkes; Don Wilkes, Henrietta Horvay; Scott Olson; Cindy Barrett; Eric Warner, *Goshen News*; Audrey Blondin; John McKenna, *Republican American*, Lynnette Miller

1. **Call to order:** Todd M. Carusillo called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.
2. **Approval of the minutes of the meeting of June 6, 2023:** In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of June 6, 2023 as submitted. Voted unanimous. Dexter S. Kinsella, abstained.
3. **Matters Arising Out of the June 6, meeting:** None
4. **Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – June 15, 2023:** In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant and payroll of June 15, 2023 in the amount of \$52,273.80. Included was the warrant in the amount of \$37,098.29 and the payroll in the amount of \$15,175.51. Voted unanimous, with Dexter S. Kinsella abstaining. Included in this warrant: Dime Oil – \$1,998.05; Eversource - \$1,276.18; J.W. Tractor \$3,777.32.

5. First Selectman's Report:

Town Hall has been receiving calls regarding roaming bears. Needless to say, the wild bears continue to pose a problem for our Goshen residents. Todd urges everyone to *continue* to be vigilant, remain safe.

With reference to ongoing crime sprees among some neighborhoods, and the discussion at last week's meeting regarding "Neighborhood Watch", Todd stated that if any neighborhood wanted a "Neighborhood Watch" program, to please contact Todd here at the Town Hall and he will set it up. Apparently the State Police received multi calls last Friday, five (5) residents complaining of a political event; Lt. Swift of the State Police, Troop B, said the CT State Police was misinformed about the event in that it was a political event disguised as a Neighborhood Watch program. There were flyers sent out to only a few neighbors. Residents called stating it was a political event. Lt. Swift stated if anyone wants the CT State Police to establish a Neighborhood Watch Program, it must be done in a neutral place through the First Selectman's office.

A Safety Meeting was held with Lt. Swift (Troop B), Chief William Baldwin, Chief Barry Hall, Bob Diorio, Erin Reilly, SR) Tim Loomis, Superintendent Leone, Principal Tracy Keilty, Jim O'Leary, Todd Carusillo. This initiative will serve to provide methods of safety for our schools.

Goshen owns a "hayfield" on East Street South. We may put out to bid the task of harvesting the hay. However, Garret Harlow may wish to harvest the hay inasmuch as our Public Works needs the hay. Selectman Kinsella asked if "liability" insurance would be needed, however he is *not opposed* to harvesting the hay.

6. Public Comment:

Dawn Wilkes reported that she has found 30 people interested in the "Neighborhood Watch" effort; there is a great deal of interest in this issue. It would be great if a First Selectman, Todd Carusillo can schedule a meeting for a Neighborhood Watch program at Camp Coch to garner support; people want to feel more secure.

Cindy Barrett feels it would be great if a Neighborhood Watch meeting can take place at Camp Coch.

7. Correspondence: None

8. Old Business: None

8a. Appointments: None

9. New Business:

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9a. Resolution- Designation Banks & Official Depositories: Attached

Todd read aloud the content of the Resolution. In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to accept the Resolution designating the banks listed as official depositories for the Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Recreation Commission and Library of the Town of Goshen. Voted unanimous.

9b. New Library Director:

Todd announced that Ms. Tabitha Guarnieri, from Torrington, has accepted the position of Library Director for the Goshen Town Library. She will begin her duties on June 19th.

In a **motion** made by Mark S. Harris, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to add to the agenda, 9c. Tibetan Festival 2023. Voted unanimous.

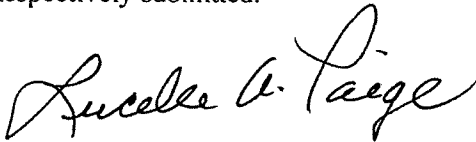
9c. Tibetan Festival 2023:

The Tibetan Festival 2023 is scheduled to open at the Goshen Fair Grounds on June 23, 24, and 25th. The approval for this Special Event will be requested at next week's Board of Selectmen meeting

10. Others Business: None

11. Adjournment: In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Mark S. Harris, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:21 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Respectively submitted:



Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide

Received June 13, 2023 @ 11:21 A.M.

Attest Brian Z. Blum
Goshen Town Clerk

TOWN OF GOSHEN

RESOLUTION

At a meeting of the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Goshen held on the 13th day of June 2023, a Resolution was adopted designating the following banks as official depositories for the Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Recreation Commission and Library of the Town of Goshen.

NAMES OF BANKS & DEPOSITORIES

Bank of America
Litchfield Bancorp
Union Savings Bank
The Torrington Savings Bank
Edward Jones
State of Connecticut – STIF account (short term investment funds)

This Resolution was passed in order that the Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Recreation Commission and Library of said Town might avail themselves of the protection afforded by Sec. 7-401 and Sec. 7-402 of the C.G.S. relating to depository banks. A certified copy of the Resolution designating the depositories has been filed in the Town Clerk's Office.

Barbara Breor, Town Clerk