

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Tuesday, December 23, 2024

REGULAR MEETING

This meeting held in-person and recorded via Zoom.us and is available as a recording

PRESENT: Todd M. Carusillo, Scott Olson; Dexter S. Kinsella

OTHERS: Tom Stansfield; Allen Kinsella; John McKenna, *Republican American*.

1. **Call to order:** Todd M. Carusillo called the meeting to order at 5:12 p.m.
2. **Approval of the minutes of the meeting of 12/17/2024:** In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Scott Olson, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of 12/17/2024 as corrected: Scott Olson feels that Seth Breakell did not make a “site visit” to 190 Sharon Turnpike (where the initial efforts to build a storage building with Public Works was considered.) Scott Olson in stating the project (at 38 Torrington Road) is great news, stated the Board of Finance, and the people have the last say. Voted unanimous.
3. **Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – December 26, 2024:**
In a **motion** made by Scott Olson, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the total warrant in the amount of \$1,652,661.06. Payroll was in the amount of \$31,114.36 and the warrant in the amount of \$1,621,546.70. Voted unanimous. Included in the warrant were: Dime Oil - \$4,354.19; LCD - \$19,858.60; Mountain Top Trucking - \$7,551.39; O&G Industries - \$313,062.11; Region 20 – \$1,264,970.00.
4. **First Selectman’s Report:**
I met with the Acting Superintendent of Region 20 along with Senator Stephen Harding and the other Selectmen to request help from Senator Harding in securing State financial assistance for all these “start – up” costs with the creation of Region 20. But note that if we garner this help, up to \$1,600,000, it will not be available until 2025 - May or June.

Unfortunately, we’ve received some complaints with the amount of salt being used around Woodridge Lake. Some residents are concerned that some salt will contaminate the water at the Lake. Garrett Harlow abides by the regulations of the State of CT in salt applications (for public safety).

We have a new Library Director, Linda Benedict. She resides in Winsted. She began work today.

The bid for the VHF Motorola Radio Repeater replacement will be awarded to Pittsfield Communications Systems, Inc., located in Pittsfield, Mass. A formal letter will be sent to that company. Thanks go to Gary Stango, Sr., along with Garret Harlow, Supervisor of Public Works.

Todd Carusillo thanked Goshen resident Allen Kinsella for his years of service, who is retiring from the Inland/Wetlands Committee after 26 years of service. Dexter S. Kinsella, brother of Allen, was in attendance for this honor bestowed upon his brother and shared his pride in all that Allen gave to Goshen. In addition, Selectman Scott Olson also bestowed words of honor to Allen, highlighting his exemplary work, dedication to Goshen. Tom Stansfield also contributed words of gratitude to Allen, for the outstanding job he did and the contributions of his time, efforts and knowledge on inlands and wetlands.

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Allen Kinsella expressed his deep appreciation for being a recipient of this “Years of Service Award”. He thanked all the citizens of Goshen for their support and help in doing what was best for Goshen.

5. Adjournment:

In a **motion** made by Scott Olson, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 5:26 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide