Town of Goshen

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

5:00 p.m.

42 North Street, Goshen, CT 06756

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 (zoom)
Others: Cindy Barrett; Lori Clinton; Dr. Scott Fellows; John Krukar; Dave Bonaguide;

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 Tuesday, February 18, 2025.** In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Scott Olson, it was **voted** to approve the minutes of February 18, 2025 with corrections; the motion wherein the BOS did "receive" the budgets presented and forwarded to the Boad of Finance as stated was in error; Scott Olson stated the letter from Lucille Paige attached to the minutes was not true or factual, therefore should not be included in the minutes. Selectman Dexter S. Kinsella countered that just because an opinion may not be "agreed upon" is no reason to refuse to put it forth; all opinions must be received regardless if others do not agree and should not be edited out. Voted unanimous.

3. **Approval of the Payroll and Warrant – February 27, 2025:**
   In a **motion** made by Scott Olson, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the **total** warrant in the amount of $109,953.36. The warrant is in the amount of $77,295.44; Payroll is $32,657.92. Voted unanimous. Included in the Warrant were: Anthem BCBS - $18,523.02; Cargill Salt - $7,201.04 and $10,902.43; Dime Oil - $4,691.88 and $3,162.99; Innovative Solutions (liquid salt) – $7,300.80; King & King Accountants - $3,892.00; Morton Salt- $3,689.72.

4. **First Selectman's Report:**
   A new hire in the Library, Child Coordinator – Courtney Murray, has begun her duties. She will be a great addition to Library and the children.

   Again, this Thursday, February 27th, another session of "meet with the First Selectman" will be held at his office at Town Hall. Same time – 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to visit and chat with First Selectman, Todd Carusillo sharing their concerns and opinions. Most of the conversations regard to school budgets and snow problems. First Selectman, Todd Carusillo explained that the "town crews" are NOT responsible for "clean-up" around homeowners' mailbox. Selectman, Scott Olson added that successful delivery of US Mail to the home, is the homeowners' responsibility.

5. **Correspondence:** a copy of an attachment at last week's BOS meeting minutes from Lucille Paige regarding the phrase "Point of Order" and its use during meetings of town committees and public commissions was read aloud by Selectman Scott Olson. He apologized as was requested by Ms. Paige and to Attorney Audrey Blondin.

6. Old Business: None

6a. Appointments: None
6b. Budgets: None
7. New Business: None
8. Other Business: None

9. Public Comment (Two (2) minutes):
Lori Clinton – Continued her report on the “Code of Conduct”. She reported on mutual respect and cooperation – all staff should be treated as professionals and other pertinent points.

Cynthia Barrett – Gave thanks to Lori Clinton, Lucille Paige, members of the community and taxpayers for their participation in public comment. Also, she gave thanks for citizens’ participation.

10. Executive Session regarding Pending Litigation and Code of Ethics Committee:
Several individual residents have been asked to serve on a *Code of Ethics Committee:*
The following came forward in this request to serve: John Krukar; David Bonaguide; Dr. Scott Fellows; Jim Lefevere; Susan Wheeler; Jonathan Moore.

In a **motion** made by Scott Olson, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to elect Dave Bonaguide to serve on the Code of Ethics Committee. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to elect John Krukar to serve on the Code of Ethics Committee. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Todd M. Carusillo, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to elect James Thibeau to serve on the Code of Ethics Committee. Voted unanimous.

In a **motion** made by Todd M. Carusillo, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, it was **voted** to elect Jonathan Moore to serve on the Code of Ethics Committee. Voted unanimous.

In a **moti**on made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Todd M. Carusillo, it was **voted** to elect James Lefever to serve on the Code of Ethics Committee, Voted unanimous

In a **motion** made by Scott Olson, seconded by Dexter S. Kinsella, the Board voted to move into Executive Session at 6:00 p.m. to discuss pending litigation regarding 190 Sharon Turnpike, and the election of a Board of Education member at a Town Meeting. **Voted unanimous**.

The Board of Selectmen came out of Executive Session at 6:23 p.m.
There were no motions/actions taken accordingly.

11. Adjournment:

In a **motion** made by Dexter S. Kinsella, seconded by Scott Olson, it was **voted** to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m. Voted unanimous.

Lucille A. Paige, First Selectman's Aide