

Town of Goshen
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Tuesday, April 28, 2026

Present: Seth Breakell, Dexter Kinsella, Scott Olson

Others: Ken Strong

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Seth Breakell called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES : The minutes of April 21, 2026 regular meeting were reviewed and approved as written. **Motion** by Dexter Kinsella and seconded by Scott Olson it was **voted** to approve the regular meeting minutes from April 21, 2026 as written. Motion carries.

3. APPROVAL OF THE PAYROLL AND WARRANT - April 30, 2026: **Motion** by Scott Olson and seconded by Dexter Kinsella, it was **voted** to approve the Payroll and Warrant dated April 30, 2026 in the amount of \$1,453,723.95. The Warrant was in the amount of \$1,439,324.01 and Payroll was in the amount of \$14,399.94. Included in the Warrant were: Blue Cross Blue Shield: \$23,979.52; JW Tractor: \$3,012.73; Sage Safety: \$1,725; Region 20: \$1,401,695. Motion carries.

4. FIRST SELECTMAN'S REPORT: First Selectman Seth Breakell clarified the Region 20 Budget Meeting is Monday, May 4, 2026 at Lakeview High School. The Town of Morris received enough signatures for a referendum. Goshen referendum will be Tuesday, May 5, 2026 at Camp Coch from 6 AM to 8 PM. Budget can be found on Region 20 website. Budget reflects a 4.24% increase majority driven by labor contracts. Goshen's projected increase is .94% making the Town budget increase by only \$79,437. Goshen representatives are in agreeance with proposed budget.

5. BUDGET REVIEW:

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

7. OLD BUSINESS:

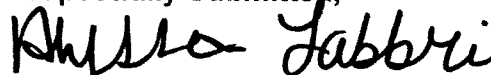
8. NEW BUSINESS: Presentation (attached) on invasive species affecting the town by Ken Strong.

9. NEW APPOINTMENTS/ RESIGNATIONS:

10. PUBLIC COMMENT (Two (2) Minutes Only): Janet Hooper, 217 Sharon Turnpike: Extends gratitude to everyone that attended the SMK run. She informs that Goshen Land Trust previously touched on invasive species with an educational quiz at the Goshen Fair. Confusion on the upcoming P&Z meeting, clarified that there are 2 different meetings. Sarah Leonard, 22 School Hill Road: Addresses talks of changing of Town Topics. She talks about the importance of Town Topics for the community as it offers valuable information and keeps aging population engaged. Explains that eliminating the Town Topics would be isolating the older demographic as many do not utilize online platforms. Concerns that nonprofits that utilize the Town Topics to highlight ongoing community work, activities or needs for essential volunteers will have to absorb the cost for outside advertising. Town Topics are viewed as legitimate and trustworthy. Asks to reconsider and allow residents input. Josephine Jones, 76 East Street South: Seconds Sarah's comment and also views it as a valuable resource. Courtney Zeiner, 107 Ivy Mountain Road: Asks for update on Bill 5323, specifically for the forensic audit. Questions if the cost would be the Town or States.

11. ADJOURNMENT: **Motion** by Dexter Kinsella and seconded by Scott Olson to adjourn the meeting at 5:40PM. Motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,


Alyssa Fabbri, Selectman's Aide

Received April 29, 2026 @ 11:39 A.M.

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