



GOSHEN CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Minutes - June 4, 2025 - Meeting - Goshen Town Hall Conference Room and Zoom

CALL TO ORDER: Vice-Chairman, Paul Gallo, called the June 4, 2025, meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Present at Goshen Town Hall Conference Room: Paul Gallo-Vice Chair

Present on ZOOM: Cindy Barrett, Annette Lott, Jason Masi, and Sue Rinaldi

Excused: Iain Kinsella-Chair and Laura Saucier

Guests on Zoom: Bobby Miles

APPROVAL of MINUTES:

The minutes of the May 7, 2025, meeting were emailed for review Jason Masi made a motion to accept the minutes with the correction of the missing "C" in "Chairman" under Call To Order for "Chairman-Iain Kinsella", and it was seconded by Annette Lott. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Paul reported no correspondence to review.

OLD BUSINESS:

Torrington Water Company:

- No report at this meeting but report on status will be done at August 6, 2025, meeting.

Trail maintenance reports:

- Members reported no visits to the trails this past month.

Bantam Lake watershed project status:

- No report at this meeting - tabled till August 6, 2025, meeting.

Goshen Town Topics:

- Jason submitted on article an energy incentives for the summer publication. Thanks were given to Laura for the spring publication article on Riparian Buffers.
- Paul reminded members to work on articles for future publications.

Camping Policy:

- Further discussion regarding camping on trails "by permit only" was had and clarification was made that the sites available to camp at are not listed on the town website. Jason had sent a draft to members adding the sites of East Street North Trail, John Ross Hiking Trail, and Town Hill Trail as the locations. Discussion was had and Jason will edit the document, send for review to Iain, and then submit appropriately to get added to town website.



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Goshen Open Space Plan 2026:

- Paul reported that he did print out the spreadsheet for PA 490 Open Space that was shared by Iain from Lucy Hussman, Assessor, for review.
- He also printed out the spreadsheet for Goshen Open Space Areas that was shared by Iain from Lucy Hussman, Assessor, which had changes in the acreages to reflect information updated as of March 2025. A brief review of acreages was had by members and tallies had been updated by Lucy. Tax exempt properties and non tax exempt properties are listed. A third spreadsheet for CT Forestry report was also shared and these numbers will be reviewed.
- Further discussion will be had at the August 6, 2025, meeting.
- Photos of Goshen from Kit Wright, Goshen Good Neighbors, to use in the plan had been reviewed at the last meeting and a google document to vote on the photos to use was done by Annette. It will be shared again for voting. Input will be reviewed at the August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: None

- Agenda: No meeting in July.
- Agenda for August - remove Camping Policy.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn was made by Sue Rinaldi, seconded by Jason Masi at 6:54 p.m. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia A. Barrett

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Received June 9, 2025 @ 11:43 A.M.

Attest *Jason L. Bean*
Goshen Town Clerk