TOWN OF GOSHEN
PLANNING & ZONING
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2026 – 7:30PM
Hybrid Meeting

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND APPOINTMENTS OF ALTERNATES:**
Mr. Carroll called the meeting to order at 7:31pm at the Goshen Town Hall and seated Jerry Abrahams.

2. **ATTENDANCE:**
Members Present: Jon Carroll, Lu-Ann Zbinden, Shilo Garceau, Jared Denis(Z), and Jerry Abrahams(AZ).
Members Absent: Patrick Lucas, Dustin Mosley, and Chris Hurlburt.
Others: Spencer Musselman and Lori Clinton.
Z=Zoom A=Alternate

3. **OLD BUSINESS**:
The Agriculture section went out today and everyone will need to double check corrections. Ms. Zbinden noted that there may need to be rewording done for the PA490 penalties with regards to going into the general fund/allocation. Mr. Musselman will reword and make the appropriate change.

Water Resources: Mr. Carroll would like to see this section condensed and asked what everyone thought. Mr. Abrahams thought it would be easier to edit if shorter and there was a short discussion on how to handle it. **Page 2:** Look into calculating acres of the Rivers and Brooks and add Bantam River. **Page 3:** Link for NDDB maps to the internet; Mr. Musselman noted that Goshen will be receiving full size copies of the maps in the POCD. **Page 4:** First section top of page Mr. Musselman to add text explaining how the upland review area works; last paragraph, second sentence change to "Its wastewater system, constructed in 1972, disposes of treated effluent under a DEEP discharge permit and a 1989 Consent Order." Mr. Carroll felt that the Goshen Land Trust was referenced to much and would like to see less of it as discussed prior. **Page 7:** Remove section Continue support for Torrington Area Health District requirements. Remove what is written under Identify and plan for low water yield areas and add something that will better educate homeowners. Mr. Musselman to write that up. Section, Apply water quality protection standards in the Lake Districts remove first bullet point and Mr. Musselman to reword the 3rd bullet point and create another bullet point regarding encouragement of using permeable paving material. **Page 8:** Under Protect water quality from hazardous material pollution remove the 1st and 2nd bullet points and add another bullet point regarding use of spraying and the mechanical means. Mr. Musselman will do the wording for that.

Conservation & Stewardship: Page 3: Mr. Musselman to do more research on the Principal Protected Land Inventory chart and work on a foot note/section that mentioned numerous parcels that are protected/reserved and also that there are several large parcels that are protected. Mr. Musselman to work on wording. **Page 4:** Needs to be condensed and refined.

Mr. Musselman to have the Water Resources done by the weekend and Conservations section as soon as possible. A discussion was had on if there should be another special meeting on November 24, 2026.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT (limited to 2 minutes per person only regarding matters pertaining to Planning and Zoning Commission):** None.

5. **ADJOURNMENT:**
IN A MOTION BY Ms. Garceau and seconded by Ms. Zbinden, to adjourn the meeting at 8:48pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted, Lori Clinton, Commission Clerk

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Attest: Michele P. Rowe
ASST Goshen Town Clerk