# TOWN OF GOSHEN

# The State of New Hampshire

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 10:00 AM TO 7:00 PM on Tuesday March 12, 2013

THE BUSINESS PORTION OF THE MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 6:30 PM on Saturday March 16, 2013.

To the inhabitants of the Town of Goshen in the County of Sullivan in the State of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Goshen Town Hall in said Goshen on Tuesday, the 12th day of March, 2013 between the hours of 10:00, AM and 7:00 PM to act upon the following subjects:

Polls opened at 10:00 A.M. Officials attending were Mary Walter: Moderator, Cindy Williams: Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Christine Smith: Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Rick Costello, Bonnie Belden, Steve Belden and Jane Galpin: Ballot Clerks, Janet O'Brien and Bernie Cutter: Supervisors of the Checklist, Bob Bell: Selectman.

To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year: ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Selectperson, 3 Years – Edward Andersen Sr.
Town Treasurer, 3 Years – Heather Peckham
Trustee of Trust Funds, 3 Years – Jean Barrett
Cemetery Trustee, 3 Years – Ronald Kempton
Library Trustee, 3 Years – Tracey Bevilacqua
Planning Board, 3 Years – Alicea Bursey
Zoning Board, 3 Years – Ray Porter
Zoning Board, 3 Years – Michael Chilson
Supervisor of the Checklist, 6 Years – Janet O'Brien
Supervisor of the Checklist, 2 Years – Bernie Cutter
Budget Committee, 3 Years – Ronald Kempton
Budget Committee, 3 Years – Beatrice Jillette
Budget Committee, 3 Years – Sherman O'Brien
Budget Committee, 1 Year – Lilyan Wright

You are further notified to meet at the Goshen Town Hall in said Goshen on Saturday, the 16th day of March, 2013, at 6:30 of the o'clock in the evening, to act upon the following subjects:

To receive the reports of the Town Officers of Goshen and take any necessary action thereon.

Moderator Mary Walter calls the meeting at 6:30 P.M. to receive the reports of the Town Officers of Goshen and take any necessary action thereon.

Motion to pass last years minutes was made and seconded.

# **MOTION PASSES**

2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money for the general municipal operations: (Majority Vote Required).

Account No	1	<u>Selectmen</u> Recommends	
4130	Executive	43,855	43,690
4140	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	27,340	27,730
4150	Financial Administration	40,665	41,055
4152	Revaluation of Property	6,961	6,961
4153	Legal Expense	7,500	5,000
5155	Personnel Administration	29545	29,118
4191	Planning & Zoning	7,168	7,168
4191	General Government Building	33,436	33,436
4194	Cemeteries	5,000	5,000
4196	Insurance	72,327	72,327
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc	<u>1,012</u>	<u>1,012</u>
	Total	274,809	272,497

#### MOTION TO AMEND ARTICLE

Motion to Amend article and increase Account No. 4153, Legal Expense by 2,500.00 was made by Lars Nelson and seconded by Sandra Sonnichsen.

Account No		<u>Selectmen</u>	Budget Committee
		Recommends	<u>Recommends</u>
4130	Executive	43,855	43,690
4140	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	27,340	27,730
4150	Financial Administration	40,665	41,055
4152	Revaluation of Property	6,961	6,961
4153	Legal Expense	7,500	7,500
5155	Personnel Administration	29545	29,118
4191	Planning & Zoning	7,168	7,168
4191	General Government Building	33,436	33,436
4194	Cemeteries	5,000	5,000

4196	Insurance	72,327	72,327
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc	<u>1,012</u>	<u>1,012</u>
	Total	274.809	274.997

# **AMENDMENT PASSES**

# **AMENDED ARTICLE PASSES**

3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money for Public Safety: (Majority Vote Required).

Account No			<b>Budget Committee</b>
		<u>Recommends</u>	<u>Recommends</u>
4210	Police	78,000	76,000
4215	Ambulance	9,925	9,925
4220	Fire	38,260	38,260
4240	Building Inspection	1,100	1,100
4290	Emergency Management	3,800	3,800
4290	Hepatitis B Shots	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
	Total	131,585	129,585

# **ARTICLE PASSES**

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money for Highways and Streets: (Majority Vote Required).

Account No		<u>Selectmen</u>	Budget Committee
		<u>Recommends</u>	<u>Recommends</u>
4311	Highway Administration	80,960.	77,840
4312	Highway & Streets	95,700.	95,700
4316	Street Lighting	<u>500</u> .	<u>500</u>
	Total		

# **ARTICLE PASSES**

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money for Sanitation: (Majority Vote Required)

Account No		<u>Selectmen</u>	Budget Committee
		Recommends	Recommends
4321	Solid Waste Administration	19,639	19,639
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	12,300	12,300
4326	Sewage Disposal	1,112	1,112
	Total	33.051	33.051

# **ARTICLE PASSES**

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money for Health and Welfare: (Majority Vote Required)

Account No		<u>Selectmen</u>	<b>Budget Committee</b>
		Recommends Programments	<u>Recommends</u>
4411	Health Administration	825	825
4415	Pest Control	120	120
4415	Sullivan County Hospice	250	250
4145	Lake Sunapee Home Health	2,230	2230
4415	Newport Senior Center	300	300
4415	West Central Services	908	908
4415	Community Alliance	100	100
4415	SWCS	600	600
4415	Sullivan County Nutrition	225	225
4415	Turning Point Network	350	350
4415	Newport Food Pantry	1,000	1,000
4415	Pathways	613	613
4442	Direct Assistance	<u>22,000</u>	22,000
	Total	29,521	29,521

# **ARTICLE PASSES**

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money for Cultural, Recreation and Conservation: (Majority Vote Required)

Account No	<u>)</u>	<u>Selectmen</u>	<b>Budget Committee</b>
		<u>Recommends</u>	<u>Recommends</u>
4450	Library	24,128	24,128
4583	Patriotic Purposes	350	350
4619	Conservation		
	Total		

# **ARTICLE PASSES**

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money for Debt Services: (Majority Vote Required)

Account No	<u>.</u>	<u>Selectmen</u>	<b>Budget Committee</b>
		Recommends	<u>Recommends</u>
4723	T.A.N	100	100
4790	Other Debt Service (Bridge)	3,000	3,000
	Total	3,100	3,100

#### **ARTICLE PASSES**

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums of money to be placed in established Capital Reserve Funds. (Majority Vote Required).

Account No	<u>Selectmen</u>	
		<u>Recommends</u>
Highway Heavy Equipment (1994)	1,000.	1,000
Construction & Reconstruction of Bridges (1992)	4,500.	4,500
New Highway Truck (1990)	5,000.	5,000
Police Cruiser (1978)	5,000.	5,000
Personal Firefighters Equipment (1994)	500.	500
Property Revaluation (2002)	11,000.	11,000
Town Technology (2005)	2,500.	2,500
Town Printing Equipment (2005)	500.	500
Fire Truck (1994)	10,000.	10,000
Town Buildings, Painting (2006)	500.	500
Paving Repair Existing Paved Roads (2007)	2,000.	2,000
Fire Department Utility Truck (2008)	2,500.	2,500
Water Supply (2009)	2,000.	2,000
Town Building Maintenance (2011)	7,500.	7,500
Forestry Vehicle (2011)	<u>10,000</u> .	<u>10,000</u>
Total	64,500.	64,500

#### **ARTICLE PASSES**

10. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of funding emergency personnel wages during declared emergency's for natural disasters and other declared emergency events. This fund will be known as the Declared Emergency Capital Reserve fund. To raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000), to be placed in this fund, and to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents. (Majority vote required). Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

#### **ARTICLE PASSES**

11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 to (Thirty Thousand Dollars) operate the transfer station and said funds to come from the Transfer Station Special Revenue Fund. (Majority vote required). Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

#### ARTICLE PASSES

12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,000.00 (Twelve Thousand Dollars) for the purpose of insulating the Town Hall and energy related improvement. (Majority vote required). Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

# **ARTICLE PASSES**

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to install 4 (Four) Rinnai Heaters for the Town Hall, run gas lines, and to remove the old furnaces. (Majority Vote Required). Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

#### **ARTICLE PASSES**

14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (2,570.00) (Two Thousand Five Hundred Seventy Dollars) to purchase a surplus fireproof record cabinet for storage of the Goshen Historical Society's archived collection on the second floor of the Grange Hall. (Majority Vote Required). Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

#### **ARTICLE PASSES**

15. To see if the Town will vote to continue and extend health care benefits for one year for the position of Town Clerk/Tax Collector Ballot vote required. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

#### MOTION TO AMEND ARTICLE

To see if the Town will vote to continue and extend health care benefits for the position of Town Clerk/Tax Collector and Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector.

Majority vote required. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

#### AMENDMENT PASSES

#### AMENDED ARTICLE PASSES

16. To see if the Town will vote to continue and extend health care benefits for one year for the position of Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector Ballot vote required. Recommended by the Selectmen and Budget Committee.

This article was thrown out because it was included in article 15.

17. To take up any other business as may legally come before this meeting.

Police Chief Edward Andersen, Police Officer Russ Lamson and Road Agent Kevin Bevilacqua presented a "Certificate of Appreciation" to Gordon C. Bartlett for all his hard work and volunteerism throughout the years to the Residents and Town of Goshen.

Discussion was abundant about the Annual Goshen-Lempster Cooperative School District Meeting. Concern was expressed about the impact that Article #8 would have on the Tax Rate for Goshen residents now that the apportionment formula would be based on Average Daily Membership. Questions were asked as to whether the vote was legal and what options the residents of Goshen had.

Allen Howe made a motion: "To direct the Select Board to convene a Special Town Meeting within 3 months time. The purpose of the Special Town Meeting being to determine if the voters wish to initiate the process of withdrawal from the Goshen-Lempster Cooperative School District."

There was a consensus to have the Select Board move forward.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

# **VOTED TO RAISE AND APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$793,842.00**

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy L. Williams