

# Board of Selectmen Town of Gilmanton, New Hampshire

8 Meeting9 July 22, 2014

**6:30 pm.** – Gilmanton Academy

Present: Chairman Brett Currier, Selectmen Donald Guarino and Stephen McCormack, Town Administrator Arthur Capello, Administrative Assistant Stephanie Fogg. Also present Ed Lang, Brenda Currier, Robert Richards and Zannah Richards.

**6:30 pm** Chairman Currier opened the meeting, took attendance of those present and voting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Transfer Station:**

The Selectmen discussed the process for the scrap metal pile. Ed Lang said that he would like to have the metal up off the ground. Selectman Guarino said that at one time there was discussion about a concrete slab. The State inspected the site and said the metal pile was acceptable as it was. Ed Lang would still like to have it off the ground as it is near a drain. As we enter into the new contract with Bestway, they will be supplying boxes and we will have more containers available. We can look toward putting the metal in the extra containers.

Ed Lang was able to sell the cooking oil (approx.. 150 gallons) for \$149.00 and the clothing in the drop box we are currently getting 4 cents per lb.

Chairman Currier said that there will be no personal storage at the Transfer Station of free items. Take the items at your own risk, they are free, and you are responsible to remove them.

Ed Lang will follow up with posts or guards for the tanks at the Transfer Station. Ed Lang also asked about borrowing a traffic counter to give him traffic counts for each day.

#### Town Audit –

MOTION: On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted to authorize Chairman Currier to sign the Town Audit at 7:00 pm (2-0-1, voice vote, Chairman Currier – abstain, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack – yes)

## **Hiring of Two New Fire Fighters –**

**MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to hire two new Fire Fighters, Zachary Mellett and Zachary Burke for the Town of Gilmanton at 7:01pm (3-0, voice vote, Chairman Currier – yes, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack – yes)

**Auction of Town Owned Property** - Arthur Capello said there will be one closing from the sale this week.

Town Administrator's Report -

**Heating Oil** – Arthur has secured a price of \$3.17/gallon from Dead River Company Pittsfield, New Durham and Gilmanton are all receiving the same price from Dead River Company as a cooperative.

**Propane** – Arthur has secured a price from Eastern at \$1.90/gallon for propane.

7:06 pm **Public Input** – Chairman Currier opened Public Input.

# **Approval of Meeting Minutes from July 15, 2014 -**

**MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of July 15, 2014 as amended at 7:08 pm (3-0, voice vote, Chairman Currier – yes, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack – yes)

**MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to approve the (A) Non-Public Minutes Not Sealed per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) of July 15, 2014 as written at 7:10 pm (3-0, voice vote, Chairman Currier – yes, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack – yes).

**MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted to approve the (B) Non-Public Sealed Minutes per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) of July 15, 2014 as amended at 7:12 pm (2-0-1, voice vote, Chairman Currier – abstain, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack – yes).

#### **Public Input regarding Transfer Station:**

Robert Richards questioned if there were issues at the dump for loading the glass and mulch into vehicles?

Selectman Guarino said that the Town equipment will not be loading into vehicles. A letter was received from the Property Liability and Trust, recommending that the Town does not load mulch or glass into peoples' vehicles. The Selectmen have agreed to follow that recommendation to protect the Town from any law suits that might come of loading mulch or glass into vehicles.

Mr. Richards said that taking out the over burden of materials is helpful to keep an organized site, and works better.

**Fire Department** – Brenda Currier returned her EMS gear to the Town. The list of gear included a jacket, jacket liner, pants, safety vest, gloves, a pager, helmet with goggles. The items were received by the Selectmen.

- **Roads** Arthur Capello said that there have been several complaints about roads in Town,
- specifically Mountain Road, South Road and Canaan Road after the rain last week. Selectman
   McCormack said he did speak directly to Paul Perkins. Paul said they attend to the worst roads

- 1 first after a storm like that. There are culvert issues and need of proper ditching on these roads.
- 2 Chairman Currier said that when it rains big, there are some problems every time. Selectman
- 3 McCormack said these ditches on the roads need to have more turn outs to protect the bottom of
- 4 the steep roads from washing out.

Selectman McCormack said there needs to be a plan for these roads. I know there is limited man power, but we do need a plan. Selectman Guarino said that is why we have the Roads Committee and Road Betterment Funds.

Selectman Guarino also spoke with Road Agent Perkins regarding the motion last meeting to have the road crew return to 5-8 hour work days as of August 3, 2014. Road Agent Perkins didn't realize that the July 4<sup>th</sup> Holiday was not going to be a paid holiday for the full time road crew. He changed to a 5 day week to encompass the holiday and not use the extra 8 hours of time for each employee.

The Board of Selectmen decided to stay with the motion from last week to change the summer work schedule, as of August 3, 2014 back to the 5 – 8 hour days as a year round schedule
Monday – Friday. Selectman Currier does not believe it is a benefit to the Town to have the 410 hour work days for the Highway Department.

The Road Committee will look into those areas most affected by the rains and getting a plan together with Paul Perkins for the roads.

- (A)Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3, II (c):
- **MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino, and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) at 8:16 pm. (3-0 Voice Vote Chairman Currier-yes, Selectman Guarino yes, Selectman McCormack yes).

The meeting room was closed to the public. Present during the Non-Public Session were Chairman Currier, Selectmen Guarino and McCormack. Town Administrator Arthur Capello, Administrative Assistant Stephanie Fogg.

The Selectmen discussed an employee issue regarding the Fire Department.

**MOTION:** On a motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session. (2-0-1, Voice Vote, Chairman Currier – abstain, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack - yes).

**MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to come out of Non-Public Session at 8:35 pm. (3-0 Voice Vote – Chairman Currier -yes, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack – yes).

The meeting room was opened to the public. The Board noted the Non-Public Session minutes were sealed.

### 1 (B)Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3, II (b):

- 2 MOTION: On a Motion by Selectman Guarino, and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was
- 3 voted unanimously to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3, II (b) at 8:36 pm. (3-0 Voice
- 4 Vote Chairman Currier-yes, Selectman Guarino–yes, Selectman McCormack–yes).

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- 7 Chairman Currier, Selectmen Guarino and McCormack. Town Administrator Arthur Capello,
- 8 Administrative Assistant Stephanie Fogg.

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10 The Selectmen discussed an employee issue regarding the Selectmen's Office.

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- MOTION: On a motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session. (3-0, Voice Vote, Chairman
- Currier yes, Selectman Guarino yes, Selectman McCormack yes).

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- MOTION: On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to come out of Non-Public Session at 9:10 pm. (3-0 Voice Vote Chairman Courrier, vos. Selectman McCormack, vos.)
- 18 Currier -yes, Selectman Guarino yes, Selectman McCormack yes).

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- (C)Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3, II (c):
- 24 **MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino, and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was
- voted unanimously to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) at 8:36 pm. (3-0 Voice
- Vote Chairman Currier-yes, Selectman Guarino yes, Selectman McCormack yes).

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- 28 The meeting room was closed to the public. Present during the Non-Public Session were
- 29 Chairman Currier, Selectmen Guarino and McCormack. Town Administrator Arthur Capello,
- 30 Administrative Assistant Stephanie Fogg.

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The Selectmen discussed an employee issue regarding the Transfer Station.

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34 **MOTION:** On a motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was 35 voted unanimously to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session. (3-0, Voice Vote, Chairman 36 Currier –yes, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack - yes).

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**MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to come out of Non-Public Session at 9:10 pm. (3-0 Voice Vote – Chairman Currier -yes, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack – yes).

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**Adjournment**: On a motion by Selectmen Guarino, seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:20 pm. (3-0)

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