



APPROVED

Board of Selectmen Town of Gilmanton, New Hampshire

Meeting

September 10, 2014

6:00 pm. – Gilmanton Academy

Present: Chairman Brett Currier, Selectmen Donald Guarino and Stephen McCormack, Town Administrator Arthur Capello, Administrative Assistant Stephanie Fogg. Also present Daniel Ladd, Stanley Prescott, Roland A. Hueber, Joanne Gianni and Steven Chmielecki.

6:00 pm Chairman Currier opened the meeting, took attendance of those present and voting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Historic District Commission –Mr. Roland Hueber came before the Board of Selectmen with concern for how difficult the process has been each and every time he has had to be approved for building/renovating his homes within the Historic District. He has currently been issued a stop work on his renovation to his home by the Historic District Commission. Mr. Hueber may try to seek relief through other avenues. Mr. Hueber's personal letter to the Selectmen will be attached to the minutes in the Selectmen's Office for the record.

Taxes and Deeding of Land - Mr. Ladd and Mr. Prescott (surveyor for Mr. Ladd) have a piece of property that they believe belongs to Mr. Ladd according to tax maps. There has been a claim to the land by Mr. Bozeman, whose property, according to deeds, abuts the said property of Mr. Ladd. There have been years of confusion regarding the taxing of this property and who legally owns it. After a lengthy conversation it was suggested that Mr. Ladd continue to research the deeds and maps regarding the property, and report back to the Town. Selectman Currier asked to have Cindy Bedford, Assessing Clerk for Gilmanton, look into the Town's records regarding the deeds, for the Selectmen.

7:22 pm Public Input – Chairman Currier opened the Public-Input

School Funding, Capital Reserve and Expendable Trust Funds 2014 - Joanne Gianni was looking for an update on the Funds. The Gilmanton School District sent a check to the Trustees of the Trust Funds for the Town of Gilmanton Capital Reserve and Expandable Trust Funds for \$78,442, on July 30, 2014. See attached letter for more detail.

Auction Property 2014 - Steve Chmielecki came before the Selectmen regarding the Auctioning of the Town Property. Mr. Chmielecki said that it is 60 days past the auction date and some of the properties still have not been closed on. Mr. Chmielecki was a second bidder on one of the properties. Arthur Capello, Town Administrator, said that all deposits were collected.

1 At the auction it was mentioned that if an extension was needed, the Town would work with the
2 buyer. An extension was given to two of the buyers with new deadlines. Chairman Currier said
3 that in the future there will be no special exceptions, because anything could be considered a
4 special exception. Selectman Guarino and McCormack agreed.

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6 **Event Policy Form** – Arthur Capello brought forward a New Event Form for the Selectmen to
7 approve. It will be used for Events scheduled in the Town, on Town Properties/Buildings, and
8 Town Roads.

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10 **MOTION:** *On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was*
11 *voted unanimously to approve the Event Form for the Town of Gilmanton at 7:46 pm. (3-0,*
12 *Chairman Currier – yes, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack – yes).*

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14 **Budget Schedule** – Arthur Capello said he is using numbers for oil and propane from
15 November 2013 – April 2014, plus 10% for budgeting purposes.

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17 The Fuel Cards for the Fire/Police and Highway have been distributed with the list of fuel
18 stations where they can be used.

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20 The Superior Court Case with New Hampshire Coop is running over budget. We do have
21 \$32,000 in a Non-Capital Reserve fund for legal fees. The Selectmen suggested using those
22 funds as needed.

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24 **Gilmanton Snowmobile Association** - Chairman Currier asked about the Snowmobile
25 Association's appropriation each year. Arthur Capello said that the Town needs a letter
26 requesting the funds each year in order to process the request, then the approval by the Board of
27 Selectmen and the Budget Committee.

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29 **Transfer Station** – Arthur Capello said that the compactor motor needs to be replaced. A new
30 converter is approximately \$2,500 or electronic at \$5,000. To be discussed with Ed Lang,
31 Department Head, Transfer Station.

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33 **Fire Department** – The Fire Chief is requesting a new Thermal Imaging Camera to replace one
34 that no longer works. The cost of the camera is \$8,495.00, and includes a 5 year warranty. The
35 Town currently has a non-capital reserve fund for \$10,472.00 for Tools and Equipment for the
36 Fire Department.

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38 **MOTION:** *On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was*
39 *voted unanimously to approve the purchase of the Thermal Imaging Camera and withdraw from*
40 *the non-capital reserve fund of Tools and Equipment, \$8,495.00, contingent upon a written*
41 *statement from the repair shop that the old camera is no longer repairable at 8:06 pm. (3-0,*
42 *Chairman Currier – yes, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack – yes).*

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44 **New Hire for the Fire Department** - Fire Chief Hempel will bring a candidate before the
45 Selectmen on September 23, 2014.

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47 **MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino, and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was
48 voted to authorize Chairman Currier to sign the engagement letter for the 2014-2015 Town

1 Audit, with the Mercier Group at 8:27 pm (2-0-1, Chairman Currier abstained, Selectman
2 Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack – yes).

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4 **MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino, and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was
5 voted to authorize Chairman Currier to sign the Speed Safety Grant at 8:28 pm (2-0-1, Chairman
6 Currier abstained, Selectman Guarino – yes, Selectman McCormack – yes).

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8 **Ladd/Bozeman Land** – Selectman McCormack suggested sending a letter to Mr. Bozeman, not
9 to do anything further to the land until ownership is proven, by himself or Mr. Ladd.

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11 **Old Town Hall Use – *Contra Dance***

12 Mr. Gale Wood sent a letter to the Board of Selectmen requesting use of the Old Town Hall
13 again this year for the *Gilmanton 2nd Saturday Contra Dance Series*.

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15 By consensus, it was approved by the Board of Selectmen to have the Contra Dances at the Old
16 Town Hall on the following dates for the 2014-2015 series:

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18 **2014**

19 *Saturday's at 8:00 pm*

20 September 13

21 October 11

22 November 8

23 December 13

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25 **2015**

26 *Saturday's at 8:00 pm and one Sunday at 2:00 pm*

27 January 10

28 February 15 (Sunday) at 2:00 pm

29 March 14

30 April 11

31 May 9

32 June 13

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34 **Assessing – Elderly Exemptions**

35 Selectman McCormack asked for an update on the elderly exemptions that Cindy Bedford was
36 concerned about at a recent meeting. Police Chief Collins did follow-up with the Selectmen's
37 request to contact the list of elderly that Cindy Bedford had provided.

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39 **Meeting Minutes -**

40 **MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was
41 voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 5, 2014 as written at 8:50 pm. (3-0).

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43 **MOTION:** On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was
44 voted unanimously to unseal the Sealed Minutes of August 5, 2014, (B) per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) at
45 8:56 pm. (3-0).

MOTION: On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to unseal the Sealed Minutes of August 5, 2014, (C) per RSA 91-A:3, II (c) at 9:00 pm.(3-0)

MOTION: On a Motion by Selectman Guarino and seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to approve the minutes of August 19, 2014 as written at 9:05 pm (3-0).

(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 9:06 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 a personal issue with Arthur Capello.

MOTION: On a Motion by Selectman Currier and seconded by Selectman Guarino it was voted unanimously to come out of Non-Public Session at 9:08 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 not sealed.

Adjournment: On a motion by Selectmen Guarino, seconded by Selectman McCormack it was voted unanimously to adjourn at 9:10 pm. (3-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie S. Fogg
Administrative Assistant

Approved by the Board of Selectmen

Chairman Brett A. Currier

Selectman Donald J. Guarino

Selectman Stephen J. McCormack