

APPROVED

**Board of Selectmen
5 April 2010
Minutes**

6:00 pm - Chairman Betty Ann Abbott read “This meeting of the Selectmen of the Town of Gilmanton is now open, and the matters presented and discussed here shall be for the purpose of managing the prudential affairs of the town and to perform the duties by law prescribed.

Present were Chairman Abbott, Selectmen Don Guarino and Rachel Hatch, Town Administrator Tim Warren and Clerk Lois Dionne.

After attendance, everyone stood for the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

Fire Dept Issues

Engine 3 – Chief Lockwood informed the Selectmen that Engine 3 blew the engine last week. It is in Portland, ME being rebuilt; it is completely under warranty.

Protective Clothing – Chief Lockwood stated that he had received a \$2,000 matching forestry grant for protective clothing. Chief Lockwood requested permission to buy the clothing now, although he hasn’t received the grant money yet. He said there is enough money in the protective clothing account to cover it. He was granted permission to spend the money.

6:05 pm - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Hatch moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Guarino seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a personnel issue with Chief Lockwood.

6:15 pm – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Guarino moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

6:16 pm - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Guarino moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a personnel issue.

6:18 pm – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Guarino moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Appointment – Nancy Girard – Planning Board – The Selectmen met with Nancy Girard to discuss her letter requesting to be reappointed as a member of the planning board.

Chairman Abbott stressed, as she had with applicants being reappointed to other boards, the need for members of the Town Boards to work together in a respectful manner, and not make derogatory comments about other boards in a public meeting. The need to respond to emails in a timely fashion and being careful what they say when speaking of a case being heard by another board was also stressed. Nancy was also asked not to bring her dog with her when she comes into the Selectmen's office.

Nancy briefly explained the goals of the planning board including working on an aquifer protection overlay, and updating the master plan and capital improvement plan.

Nancy told the Selectmen that Desiree, planning clerk, is doing a great job; they are very pleased with her. She said she has heard very good comments about her, and Desiree has had excellent response toward issues. Nancy said the planning board is especially pleased with the way Desiree does her minutes, and she is a very good researcher. Chairman Abbott stated that they had heard that Desiree's interaction with other boards and the staff is really good. Nancy stated that she felt Desiree is at a point where she could start doing some of the work that is being done by the contract planner, but that is a decision for the Selectmen to make. Tim said Desiree would like to work more with Mark, planner, for the time being.

The Selectmen signed Nancy's reappointment letter.

FYI's & Other Business

Letter of Commendation – Chairman Abbott read a letter of commendation from Chief Lockwood to all who responded to a 911 call over the weekend (copy attached).

Sludge Site Permit Application – Tim informed the Selectmen that we had received a letter from DES informing us that they had received a site permit application from Resource Management, Inc. (RMI) to allow RMI to land apply biosolids and short paper fiber on property owned by Jim Downs located off Beauty Hill Road and Stage Road.

Recycling Income – Tim stated that the recycling manager had informed him that there has been an increase in the prices we get for our recyclables. Mixed paper has gone from \$70 to \$95 per ton, cardboard from \$125 to \$172.50, newspaper remained the same, tin and steel went from \$219 to \$258 and plastics from \$220 to \$360.

Committees - Tim stated that we had received letters from twelve people that are interested in being on the recycling committee, three people are interested in being on the cupola repair committee, and so far there are two people interested in serving on the technical review board.

Landfill Testing – Tim reported that we had received the new contract from Provan & Lorber for the mandatory testing at the landfill. Selectman Guarino asked if the cost reflected the test that we are no longer required to have done. Tim was unsure what the cost had been last year, but will check. The contract will not be signed until Tim has had a chance to compare the contracts.

Seedlings – Public Safety Building Site – Tim had an email from a resident suggesting that the Town sell seedlings from the Safety Building Site before it is cleared to put up the building. After a brief discussion, it was the consensus that it would not be feasible to sell seedlings.

Thank You Letter – Tim had a copy of a letter from the Barnstead Board of Selectmen to Chief Lockwood thanking him for the time he spent as a member to their Fulltime Fire Chief Search Committee.

Cable Service – Tim stated that there is a resident on Dow Road who has been having trouble trying to get cable service. Tim said he had received a map from Jeffrey Drapeau from Metrocast Cable showing the areas they cover. He said there are some breaks in the areas of service. It was agreed that Tim should ask Mr. Drapeau to meet with the Selectmen to discuss expansion of cable service, and why there are areas they don't cover.

Public Input - Chairman Abbott read “Public input is reserved to allow residents, without prior notice, to bring forward new information on matters of interest to the Town. Existing cases or applications shall not be heard in public input. The Selectmen reserve the right to end testimony during public input at their sole discretion. No vote will be taken on any matter brought in through public input unless a dire emergency requires such action. Residents with existing cases or applications shall use the channels established for appeal or submission of new information in their cases.”

Present were Tom Scribner, Larry Frates and Andrew Hook.

Corner Library – Tom Scribner asked if the Corner Library trustees could use the town copier, if they provided their own paper to print about three hundred copies of a letter. Tim stated that we don't pay for our toner; it is included in our contract. The Selectmen approved the use of the copies "in this instance". Mr. Scribner asked if, because the library is a Town building, they were eligible to use funds voted in at Town Meeting for repair and maintenance of town buildings; they are looking into insulating the building. They are eligible to use the funds, and Tom was asked to get estimates.

Larry Frates volunteered, if the trustees give him the paper, to print the letter for them.

Caricatures – Mr. Frates stated that he had come because of a letter written to a newspaper in regards to a drawing (caricature) he had done of the Selectmen at Town Meeting. Mr. Frates had given the other sketches he had done to the Town, but one of the newspapers had asked to put the picture of the Selectmen in the paper. Because Mr. Frates had put targets in front of each of the Selectmen, a person had written a letter to the editor that was critical of both the caricature and Mr. Frates.

Mr. Frates was very concerned because he had only felt that the Selectmen had been targets at Town Meeting with everything that was being said to them, so he had jokingly put targets in front of them. He apologized if any offense had been taken. The Selectmen assured him that they had enjoyed the cartoon, had taken it in the manner of what Mr. Frates had intended, and had cut it out of the paper. Mr. Frates presented the original copy of the caricature to the Selectmen.

Shellcamp Culvert – Andrew Hook, president of the Shellcamp Association, said he had been told the culvert at the beach at Shellcamp Lake would be fixed by last fall. He said the culvert is still not fixed. There was a brief discussion about what has to be done with the culvert. Selectman Guarino will check into the matter.

Fall Festival - Larry Frates informed the Selectmen that he is working to get businesses together to plan a fall festival to try to attract tourists to Gilmanton.

More FYI's & Other Business

Cupola Storage – Selectman Hatch asked about the cupola storage. Selectman Guarino stated that he had spoken with Paul Perkins, and everything of value is tucked away. He said nobody at the highway garage feels the cupola is in jeopardy where it is now. Selectman Abbott said it seemed to be in good condition when she had looked at it.

There was a brief discussion about the grants to repair the cupola. The Moose-Plate Grant application has been submitted, and Selectman Hatch and Steve Bedard are to attend a mandatory meeting in June before they can apply for the LCHIP Grant.

Dangerous Tree – Pancake Hill Road – Chairman Abbott asked Don to report on what had happen in regard to a letter that had been received last week expressing concern about a tree that had broken off and was suspended over Pancake Hill Road. Don went to check out the situation. He reported that he had felt the tree was a potential hazard to traffic on the road, so he had called LGC to find out if the Town could remove the tree even though it was on private property. Don said LGC had quoted the RSA covering this, and we could remove the tree, but had to notify the landowner, but in reviewing the RSA it states that in an emergency situation, which he felt this was, the tree could be removed without notification. Don said he had gone through the Selectmen's office, talking with Tim and Lois, and had called two contractors. Barton Lumber could remove the tree immediately, so they had been hired, and the tree was removed.

Approval of Minutes – The Selectmen reviewed the minutes of last week's minutes.

MOTION – Selectman Hatch moved to approve the minutes of March 29, 2010 as amended. Motion passed 3-0.

7:28 pm. – Break

7:33 pm – Back in Session

7:34 pm - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Guarino moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a personnel issue with Bob Flanders.

9:07 pm – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Guarino moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

9:08 pm - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a)

Selectman Guarino moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(a) - Dismissal, promotion or setting compensation for public employees or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected has a right to a meeting or

requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen conducted a personnel review.

9:17 pm – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Guarino moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

9:18 pm - Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(c)

Selectman Guarino moved to Enter into Non-Public Session as per RSA 91-A:3, II(c) - Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person unless such person requests an open meeting; however, this cannot be used to protect a person who is a member of your Board, Committee or Subcommittee. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

The Selectmen discussed a tax payment request.

9:20 pm – Out of Non-Public Session

Selectman Guarino moved to come Out of Non-Public Session. Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Cupola Bid – Chairman Abbott asked Tim if Mr. Fifield had gotten back to him about his bid for the repair of the Cupola. Tim replied that Mr. Fifield had reviewed his bid; he couldn't reduce the price, but was still interested in the project.

Bond Issue - Chairman Abbott asked Tim how he was coming along with the application for the bond for the public safety building. Tim responded that the application is almost completed. He will need a payment schedule from Ricci Construction, and Tim and Jen Correia are to have a phone conference with the attorney handling the application on Wednesday afternoon.

Electricity – Chairman Abbott asked Don for an update on the status of getting electricity to the safety-building site. Don replied that the Co-Op had met with Paul Darbyshire; they are aware of what is needed out there, and it is moving forward.

Safety Building Contract – Chairman Abbott stated that a copy of the proposed contract for the safety building had been sent to Town Counsel for review and comment. Walter was concerned about a couple of things in the contract.

The Selectmen reviewed the contract and Walter's concerns. Chairman Abbott will address the concerns with the contractor, John Ricci at their meeting on Wednesday morning.

04-05-10 BOS

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**10:00 pm – MOTION – Selectman Guarino moved to adjourn the meeting.
Selectman Hatch seconded. Motion passed 3-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lois Dionne
Recording Clerk

Lois

From: Betty Ann Abbott [BAAbbott@abbottbiznet.com]
Sent: Monday, April 05, 2010 7:45 AM
To: Tim Warren; Lois
Subject: FW: Cogswell Road Medical

If chief does not show up to report this in person, I will read into minutes.

From: Chief Lockwood [mailto:firechief@gilmantonnh.org]
Sent: Sunday, April 04, 2010 10:52 PM
To: Chief Lockwood
Subject: Cogswell Road Medical

Good evening everyone,

I have an update on the patient from Cogswell Rd. earlier tonight, for those who did not respond the tone was for an unconscious person, due to the diligence of the dispatcher, who caught 9-1-1 giving CPR instructions, when I signed on he immediately advised me even though this was given as an unconscious person it was his belief this was going to be a "working code", on that update I asked for a retone for additional EMS to the scene and fourteen of you answered the call for additional help. Due to the group effort of all of you, this patient arrived at Concord Hospital in such an improved condition that the Cardiologist actually had to sedate the patient to continue care. A quick recap of what occurred, the bystanders started CPR, Corey, the on duty police officer and Dennis Comeau then arrived on scene and took over CPR, eight minutes from the time of the tone 9A2 and myself arrived on scene, Paramedic Burlingame the brother of our member Matt Burlingame was at his brother's house and when he heard me ask for a Paramedic from Belmont, he called me and asked if I wanted him to respond. He and most of the rest of you arrived on scene about a minute behind me. A group effort ensued and between the patient being suctioned to maintain an airway, being defibrillated to restore a heartbeat, getting a secure airway, and then IVs started to allow cardiac medications to be administered, the patient was brought back to life right there in the driveway. From the scene I consulted with a Doctor from LRGH, then an ER doctor and a Cardiologist from Concord Hospital and a decision was made to transport the patient to Concord Hospital. The patient was in a much improved condition in the ER and the Cardiologist feels the patient will be released from the hospital in a few weeks.

BE PROUD EVERYONE! THIS WAS A CALL WHERE YOU DID SAVE A LIFE! ALL OF YOU WORKING AS A TEAM MADE A DIFFERENCE! BE PROUD!

It is with sincere heartfelt thanks that I write this to all of you, and please know that all of you working as a team made this happen! From the person who held the flashlight so the Paramedic could start an IV to the person suctioning the airway, it all came together, someone got a backboard, someone else a second oxygen bottle, someone else the stretcher, etc.... All key components to a successful outcome.

You all did a spectacular job and I am so impressed with how our department continues to grow and work as great as a well seasoned team, I cannot stress enough of what a great job was done tonight. This is a huge example of the EMS system in motion saving lives.

Thanks again for all that you great people do.

Chief Lockwood

4/5/2010