



Budget Committee  
Town of Gilmanton, New Hampshire

November 17, 2021

**6:00 PM** Gilmanton Academy

**CALL TO ORDER – ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**Committee Members Present:**

Chairman Brian Forst, Vice Chair Anne Kirby, Alec Bass, Steve Bedard, Joanne Melle, Adam Mini - School Board Rep, Vinnie Baiocchetti – Selectmen's Rep.

Absent: Grace Sisti

No representation present has not been established by the Sawyer Lake District Rep.

**Staff Present:** Heather Carpenter – Town Administrator, Ron Nason – Transfer Station, Paul Perkins – Highway Dept.

**Highway Department:**

Wage increase 6% which represents a 4.5% COLA and 1.5% merit for the following lines:

01-4311-110

01-4311-112

01-4311-114

01-4311-115

01-4311-116

01-4311-560 – up to \$411 for a new program called Guardian Tracking

01-4311-661 – down \$10,000. Will use non-cap reserve fund if maintenance is required.

01-4311-664 – up to \$500 as there are 2 loaders now

01-4311-669 – up \$1,000. Have 2 trucks now

01-4311-680 – up to \$250 as there is still one position to fill

**Highway & Streets**

01-4312-693 – up to \$7,000 due to increase cost of gravel

**Street lighting:** – no increase

**Road Betterment**

01-4319-730 - \$151,000 State portion for next year

01-4319-731 – Line should read \$190,000

Brian asked about new monies from the new federal bill. Paul has not heard anything yet.

**Warrant Articles:**

\$70,000 to go into Highway Equipment Capital Reserve acct.

\$10,000 to go into Non- capital reserve acct.

**Transfer & Recycling Station:**

01-4324-110 – Increase from 36 hours to 40 hours per week.

01-4324-111 – Increase wages based on the change in placement on the pay scale.

01-4324-112 – Increase from 25 hours to 30 hours per week and increase on the pay scale.

01-4324-113 – Increase wages based on the change in placement on the pay scale.

01-4324-391 – Increase of \$200 to mow twice a year

01-4324-661 - Increase of \$1,000 due to price increases

01-4324-800 – Increase of 3.2%

01-4324-801 – Increase of 3.2%

01-4324-808 – Increase of \$1,200 due to increase cost

Brian asked about Town's commitment to NNRA. Discussion about their services and if there might be another economical option for the removal of tires. Ron will look into it.

**Hazard Waste** – budget is the same

**Warrant Articles:**

\$5,000 to go into Capital Reserve Acct. for Recycling and Transfer Improvement

\$5,000 to go into Non-capital Reserve Acct. for Transfer Station Vehicle and Equipment

**Approval of Minutes** of 11/10/2021

Motion for approval by Baiocchetti, second by Bass. Accepted as presented.

Discussion about having data available for Chairman Forst regarding comparable salaries in other area towns.

**Motion to adjourn** by Baiocchetti and seconded by Bedard at 6:55 p.m. (7-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

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Anne Kirby- Vice Chairman