

TOWN OF GILFORD
BUDGET COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

January 8, 2015

The Budget Committee convened a duly posted, public meeting on Thursday, January 8th, at 6:30pm in the 1st floor Conference Room at Town Hall.

Member of the Budget Committee in attendance were: Chairman Phyllis Corrigan, Vice-Chairman Kevin Leandro, Sue Greene, Selectmen's Representative Richard Grenier, School Board Representative Karen Thurston, Allen Voivod, Robert Henderson, Jeff Beane, Norman Silber, David Horvath, Kevin Roy, Gunstock Acres Water District representative, Fred Butler & Patricia Polichronopoulos, Secretary

S. Greene arrived late

Present were Town Administrator Scott Dunn, Superintendent Hemingway, Scott Isabelle, Sue Allen, School Board Chair, Danielle Bolduc, Middle School Principal Sydney Leggett, Geoff Ruggles, Esther Kennedy & Brenda McGee

P. Corrigan led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

TOWN BUDGET REVIEW:

1) S. Dunn summarized the Town Budget indicating that due to rise in Health insurance and NHMA dues, selectman recommend budget to go from \$11,873,165 to \$11,898,837.

P.Corrigan moved to adopt selectman recommendation to adopt Article 6, second by A. Voivod, Vote all in favor, 1 abstain

2) Default Budget: No discussion

3) Warrant Articles: Article 21 Increase from \$2200.00 to \$2260.00 for new Beginnings

P. Corrigan moved to accept Amended Warrant Article 21, second by A. Voivod Vote tied at 6-6 Failed

SCHOOL BUDGET REVIEW:

S. Isabelle reviewed the revised Table A One. Revision included how amount was allocated amongst 11 Admin positions pay last year and pay this year. Additionally spoke of Warrant article 1.

N. Silber recommended approval of warrant article 1 for \$11,545.00, seconded by K. Leandro and vote all in favor

P.Corrigan moved to reopen talk on longevity pay was seconded by B.Henderson

B. Henderson opened the discussion with an explanation on longevity pay and the need to keep it intact. Several members voiced different opinions on the subject with Superintendent Hemingway explaining the difference between longevity pay and "bonus"

P. Corrigan moved to reinstate longevity pay, seconded by B. Henderson and vote 6-6 Failed

N. Silber proposed bottom line budget to be \$25,374,651.00 K. Leandro seconded Vote 11-1 Passed

GUNSTOCK ACRES WATER DISTRICT: Cost Neutral

F. Butler summarized his findings with a short discussion on the replacement of a water pipe on Mountain Road.

R.Grenier moved to accept, N. Silber seconded and voted all in favor

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Discussion of Notes for past week's meetings:

Dec 4: D. Horvath moved to accept second N Silber Vote All in favor 1 Abstain

Dec 11: P Corrigan moved to accept with corrections B. Henderson second Vote all on favor one Abstain

Dec 18: Addition of Rae Mello Andrews: P Corrigan moved to accept as amended, A Voivod second All in favor one Abstain

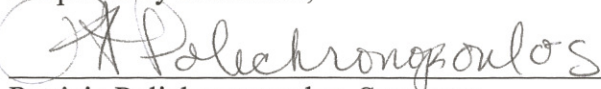
Budget hearing must be between the 13th-20th: Committee decided on 13 & 15th of January
School Tuesday (1/13)
Town Thursday (1/15) Both meetings to commence at 7 PM at the High School

Deliberation Session of Town Meeting 2/3
Deliberation Session of School District Meeting 2/4
Meeting at High School @ 7PM

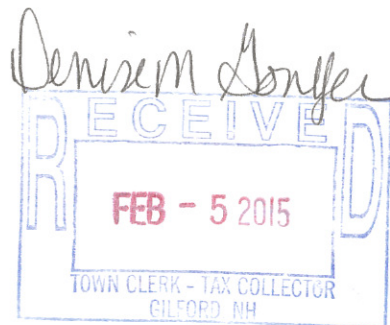
P. Corrigan advised school board that they have until 1/13 to petition warrant articles

At 8:45PM A.Vovoid made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by R.Greene and passed all in favor (12-0).

Respectfully submitted,



Patricia Polichronopoulos, Secretary



Approved by the Budget Committee on the ____ day of _____, 2014.