

Annual Report of the Town



Gilford New Hampshire

Year Ending December 31, 2007

Photo: Lake Winnepesaukee
Photo entry in the Gilford Public Library Calendar Contest,
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Annual Reports

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GILFORD

New Hampshire

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DEDICATION



The Town of Gilford proudly dedicates the 2007 Town of Gilford Annual Report in honor of Michael E. Tocci, former Principal of Gilford Elementary School from 1984 to 2004.

Michael E. Tocci began his teaching career in 1967 after graduation from Plymouth State College. When he retired from Gilford Elementary School in 2004, he had completed 37 years in education, with 34 of those years in administration. His early years in the classroom were in Winnisquam and Bristol, and he was a teaching principal in Danbury for several years. He was supervising principal of the Newfound Area elementary schools from 1976 until 1984.

Arriving at Gilford Elementary School in 1984, Mr. Tocci, sometimes known by students as “Mr. Toasty”, soon realized that he had found a new home. He remained at GES as Principal for twenty years, until his retirement in 2004. During his tenure at GES, he played a key leadership role in many curriculum and program initiatives. He assisted in the planning of an addition to the Elementary School and consulted with the District in the building of Gilford Middle School. His collaborative leadership style, combined with a good measure of humor, made him a much beloved administrator by students, staff, parents, and the community.

Mr. Tocci served as President of the New Hampshire Association of School Principals. In 1996, he was selected as N. H. Principal of the Year and also was recognized as a National Distinguished Principal that same year. He was very proud to have Gilford Elementary School awarded the Elementary School of Excellence during his tenure. At his retirement, the library at GES was named in his honor.

Since his retirement, Mr. Tocci has consulted with schools in Barnstead, Alton, and Fremont. He has continued to be a visible force in education by lecturing and providing workshops throughout New Hampshire.

With this recognition, the Town of Gilford expresses its thanks to Michael E. Tocci for his contributions to education in our community and state. We wish him well in his future endeavors.

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**Town Officers
2007**

**OFFICERS ELECTED BY BALLOT AT
TOWN MEETING**

Term Commencing on Day of Town Meeting

Three-Year Terms

SELECTMEN

Alice H. Boucher, Chairperson	Term Expires 2008
Constance Grant	Term Expires 2009
Gus Benavides	Term Expires 2010

TOWN CLERK - TAX COLLECTOR

Denise A. Morrissette	Term Expires 2008
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TREASURER

Karen Saunders	Annual Term 2008
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Position is changed to three-year term as of April 1, 2008.

OVERSEER OF WELFARE

Erika Johnson	Annual Term 2008
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Office is appointed as of April 1, 2008

Two-Year Term

MODERATOR

Peter V. Millham	Term Expires 2008
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Six-Year Terms

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST

Mary Lou Grevatt, Chairperson	Term Expires 2012
Diane E. Mitton	Term Expires 2008
Connie Moses	Term Expires 2010

Three-Year Terms

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

Rick Moses	Term Expires 2010
Leo Sanfacon	Term Expires 2009
Marion Gardner	Term Expires 2008

Three-Year Terms

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Pauline (Polly) J. Sanfacon, Chair	Term Expires 2010
Tracey G. Petrozzi	Term Expires 2010
William H. Seed	Term Expires 2008
Robert Kammeraad	Term Expires 2009
Daryl Thompson	Term Expires 2009

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Richard C. Hickok, Chairman	Term Expires 2009
Douglas Lambert	Term Expires 2010
William H. Phillips	Term Expires 2010
Robert Brent	Term Expires 2008
Phyllis M. Corrigan	Term Expires 2008
Susan C. Greene	Term Expires 2008
Dale Dormody	Term Expires 2010
David "Skip" Murphy	Term Expires 2009
John T. O'Brien	Term Expires 2009
Gus Benavides, Selectman Rep.	
Margo Weeks, School Board Rep.	
Terry Stewart, GAVWD Rep.	

BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS

William R. Akerley, Chairman	Term Expires 2009
Philip A. Brouillard	Term Expires 2010
Mark A. Labonte	Term Expires 2008

OFFICIALS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

John Goodhue, Chairman	Term Expires 2009
Douglas Hill	Term Expires 2010
Lee Duncan	Term Expires 2010
Thomas Drouin	Term Expires 2008
Lawrence Routhier	Term Expires 2008
Charles Coons	Term Expires 2008
Everett McLaughlin	Term Expires 2009
Paula McDonald, Alternate	Term Expires 2010
Rudolph Lehr, Alternate	Term Expires 2008

Donald Sibson, Alternate	Term Expires 2008
Carole Hall, Alternate	Term Expires 2009

PLANNING BOARD

Polly Sanfacon, Chairman	Term Expires 2009
Carolyn Scattergood	Term Expires 2008
Jerry Gagnon	Term Expires 2008
Richard Vaillancourt	Term Expires 2009
Richard Waitt	Term Expires 2009
John Morgenstern	Term Expires 2009
David Arnst, Alternate	Term Expires 2010

Connie Grant, Selectman

RECREATION COMMISSION

Corinne Demko, Chairman	Term Expires 2008
Thomas Francoeur	Term Expires 2010
Miriam York	Term Expires 2010
David Smith	Term Expires 2008
Richard Nelson	Term Expires 2009
Leo Sanfacon, Alternate	Term Expires 2009
Lisa Manz-Buckley, Alternate	Term Expires 2010

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Andrew Howe, Chairman	Term Expires 2008
Donald Chesebrough	Term Expires 2009
Robert Dion	Term Expires 2009
Charles Boucher	Term Expires 2010
Philip LaBonte	Term Expires 2009

HISTORIC DISTRICT/HERITAGE COMMISSION

Elaine Gagnon, Chairman	Term Expires 2008
Julianne McConnell	Term Expires 2010
Donna Mooney	Term Expires 2008
Troy Schrupp	Term Expires 2008
Mary Curtis, Alternate	Term Expires 2009
Ruth McLaughlin, Alternate	Term Expires 2008
Richard Waitt, Planning Board Rep.	
Alice Boucher, Selectman Rep.	

Two-Year Terms
INSPECTOR OF ELECTIONS

Rutha Helfrich	Term Expires 2008
Shirley Snow	Term Expires 2008
Barbara Carey	Term Expires 2008
Georgetta Wixson	Term Expires 2008

Town Administrator	Evans Juris
Assistant Town Administrator	Debra Shackett
Chief of Police	John Markland
Director of Public Works	Sheldon Morgan
Director of Planning and Land Use	John Ayer
Director of Recreation	Herbert Greene
Health Officer	David Andrade
Building Official	David Andrade
Director of Emergency Management	Sheldon Morgan

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Rodney Dyer
Leo Sanfacon
Anthony Ferruolo

**OFFICIAL APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN
AND TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR**

Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Jennifer Mooney
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**OFFICIAL APPOINTED BY
THE TOWN TREASURER**

Deputy Town Treasurer	Judith A. Morgan
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**OFFICIAL APPOINTED BY
THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES**

Library Director	Katherine Dormody
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**OFFICIAL APPOINTED BY
THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS**

Fire Chief	James Hayes
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**ELECTED OFFICIALS OF
GUNSTOCK ACRES VILLAGE DISTRICT**

Moderator

Louis Combe

Treasurer

Robert Dion

Clerk

Susan Dalton

Commissioners

Robert Dalton

John O'Brien

Thomas Walters

TOWN OF GILFORD TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY FIRE DEPARTMENT	911
EMERGENCY POLICE DEPARTMENT	911
MEDICAL AID	911

Appraisal Department	527-4704
Building Inspector	527-4727
Conservation Commission	527-4727
Department of Planning & Land Use	527-4727
Finance Department	527-4700
Fire Station (Business Number)	527-4758
Health Officer	527-4727
Highway Department	527-4787
Historic District Commission	527-4727
Landfill/Recycling Center	293-0220
Library	524-6042
Parks and Recreation Department	527-4722
Parks and Recreation Program Announcement Line	527-4723
Planning Board Office	527-4727
Police Department (Business Number)	527-4737
Public Works Department	527-4778
Selectmen's Office	527-4700
Sewer Division	527-4778
Town Administrator	527-4700
Town Clerk-Tax Collector	527-4713
Zoning Board of Adjustment	527-4727

Activity Reports
of
Officers, Officials,
Boards, Committees
and
Commissions

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

With the end of 2007, we reflect on the many things that our community accomplished during this past year.

The Board of Selectmen addressed several major policy issues. The first was the finalizing of the Sewer Policy Revision, which began at the end of 2006. This policy and rate structure had not been adjusted in over nine years. Second was the Vendor Policy, and third was the Welfare Policy, which had not been updated since the 1990's.

In the area of personnel the Selectmen adopted a policy that will go into effect on July 1, 2008 requiring that all employees begin making a co-payment towards the cost of their health insurance. The Police Department voted to unionize and elected to have the Teamsters Local 666 represent them. They became the second group of employees to organize with the first being the Department of Public Works. The full time technology position was not filled and we elected to outsource these duties to a private firm which resulted in a cost saving. Additionally we reclassified a position within the building maintenance division by eliminating a supervisory position that resulted in a cost saving. We adopted a Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct for our employees and committees that fall under the authority of the Board of Selectmen.

Economic development during this past year has seen the opening of Lowe's in the revitalized Winnepesaukee Crossings; the Franklin Saving Bank at the Gilford Commons development; and in the Lakes Business Park another new facility is under construction, which will house the Laconia Eye Associates.

The Facility Planning Committee continues to move forward in the development of a plan to expand the Police Department. It is planned to bring their final recommendation forward in 2009. The Board of Selectmen authorized the organization of an Energy Committee to study how our community can control the use of energy and become more energy efficient.

The groundbreaking for the new library building on Potter Hill Road took place in June, 2007. The building will be completed and ready for occupancy in 2008.

On the lakefront, the Town began to address the milfoil problem by becoming part of the Lake Host Program which inspected boats being launched from our docks to ensure they were not carrying any contaminants

into the lake and by appropriating \$10,000 to assist in the treatment of milfoil in the Smith Cove area.

In the area of land conservation the Town completed the purchase of development rights to the Bean property on Saltmarsh Pond Road. Work continues on the conservation easement for the Persons' Farm on Morrill Street.

The Board of Selectmen has also been heavily involved in the monitoring of the Liberty Hill Contamination site. This area was contaminated with coal tar in the 1950's and now is in the final stages of a plan to reclaim the area. The NH Department of Environmental Services is directing the project, which began in 2004.

A new budget process was initiated in 2007, which called for department managers to submit what was called a general maintenance budget to maintain their current level of service and to submit any new requests individually for review by the administration and Board of Selectmen.

We continue to utilize the Capital Improvement Plan and Capital Reserve Programs to spread out major cost items and to have a savings plan in place to avoid spikes in the budget when specialized projects or equipment must be bought.

In December of 2007 we began the video recording of our meetings that are broadcast over the Lakes Region Public Access TV on channel 26. The equipment was obtained through donations received from local businesses.

The 2007 tax rate remained the same as 2006. We attribute this to the outstanding commitment of our administrative personnel and department managers.

In closing, we would like to thank all the members of our various committees that service our community and to our commissions and boards for their dedication. Also, to our employees, who we know are dedicated to providing the best service possible to our community.

Additionally thank you to the residents and taxpayers of our community for your support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Alice H. Boucher, Chairman
Connie Grant, Vice-Chairman
Gus Benavides, Clerk

GILFORD APPRAISAL DEPARTMENT TOWN APPRAISER'S REPORT

The assessment process in New Hampshire is often misunderstood, particularly by those taxpayers new to the State. The following describes the assessment process in general and what has occurred to assessments for 2007.

While conducted locally by the appraisal staff, the assessment process is monitored by the Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) under RSA 21-J in Gilford and throughout the State. This monitoring process involves a DRA representative visiting Towns and reviewing all aspects of the assessment process including the way assessment updates occur, how applications for exemption and veteran credits are processed, how permit work is inspected and so forth.

The DRA monitoring process is set up to ensure that all municipalities are performing the assessment function uniformly, according to standards set forth by the NH Assessing Standards Board (ASB) and the Equalization Standards Board (ESB). In this way it is reasonably ensured that all municipalities are contributing equally towards the State Education Tax each year.

While DRA representatives are on site during every year, a full report is developed and presented to the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue once in every five years. The last report for Gilford was in 2004, and the next full report will be developed in 2009. The 2004 report concluded that Gilford met or exceeded all standards applied by the ASB and the ESB.

In the past a Town could have a full revaluation performed every 10 years or longer, without interference from the DRA. Since the 'Sirrell' decision however, Towns must be appraised at full value at least once in every five years. Most all municipalities now perform assessment updates every year or every other year in order to avoid the costs and contention of 'full revaluations' by outside firms.

In Gilford these assessment updates have been occurring yearly since 1994. The basis for these updates is contained within RSA 75-8, where municipalities are required to ensure that assessments are 'proportionate' each year. By 'proportionate' it is meant that

assessments must be at the same level of value each year. In other words, if single family homes are assessed at 95% of their current market value, then all other categories must also be at 95% of their current market value such as manufactured housing, commercials and so forth.

This year (2007), the Selectmen, in response to a stabilizing real estate market, instructed the appraisal staff to adjust property assessments only in areas or classes of properties where sales prices indicated that the assessments were falling out of line with the sales prices. As a result, most assessments stayed the same unless work had occurred through the building permitting process.

A few sections were adjusted however, up or down. For example, Smith Cove assessments were adjusted downwards, reflecting lower sales prices in the cove, and Governors Island assessments were generally increased, again, reflecting continued increases in sales prices on Governors Island. Other than minor adjustments around the Town, the assessments remained the same as the previous year.

Preliminary statistics indicate that our assessments are reflecting 92% of market value as of April 1 2007 (down from 94% in 2006). The DRA will determine the final ratio in February or March of 2008.

As a part of the assessment update process, the Selectmen have authorized a ‘cycled’ inspection process, which has been occurring since 1995. Each year roughly 20% of all improved properties are inspected by a staff appraiser. In this way, over a 5-year period all properties are inspected. This helps ensure that our property data is reasonably accurate.

It is important to not confuse ‘cycled inspections’ with assessment updates. An inspection does not necessarily equate to a changed assessment unless data was found to be in error (either up or down). A change in assessment due to an assessment update occurs to all properties all at the same time. That is, ‘inspected’ properties are treated no differently when it comes to assessment updates. The cycled inspection process continues independently of the assessment update process.

The question has arisen as to why the Town continually performs these assessment updates, and not just when the 5-year certification year arrives. Beyond the requirements of RSA 75:8 referenced above, performing more frequent updates adjusts taxes more incrementally as opposed to all at one time. Consider the following:

The reason assessments change is because the real estate market changes. If the market would simply stand still, then assessments remain the same. If the market changed equally for all properties, then there would be no change in tax dollars paid beyond any increases in the annual budget, even if all assessments were increased. For example, if all assessments were increased by 10% across the board, the tax rate would decrease by 10% and the taxes would remain the same as in the previous year (assuming a level budget for both years). The problem is that property market values do not change equally.

During the early 1990's condominiums dropped in market value dramatically, some by 60% based upon sales prices. At the same time, single family homes also realized declines in market value, though in the 15% to 20% range, not as drastic as condominiums. When the market picked up in the mid-to-late 1990's, condominiums had much more ground to make up and thus we saw greatly increasing values for condominiums as compared to single family homes. During that time (early 2000's) assessments increased for condominiums at a much greater rate than single family homes. By adjusting these changes each year, the Town mitigated the resulting tax shift to these condominiums as opposed to adjusting them after a 5-year wait which could have served to double them (taxes) all in one year.

To a lesser degree this is what is happening now. While the market has softened as of late, some properties are in higher demand than others. As these market increases outpace increases for other properties with lesser demand, an assessment update ensures that these changes are reflected on the tax bills incrementally, a little at a time.

The Selectmen instructed the department to continue to monitor the market and advise them as to whether an assessment update is warranted for 2008. That is, while the cycled inspection process will continue, a full value update to market value will occur if the market changes from the previous year.

Currently (early 2008) the general residential market is showing signs of softening, with fewer sales occurring and, in some instances, lower prices. If this trend continues then it is likely that a full assessment update will be required, with all assessments brought into line with the emerging market of early summer of 2008.

In any event, any changes to assessments for 2008, beyond permitted construction, will result in taxpayers receiving advance notice of an impending change to their assessment in August or September of 2008.

Exemptions and Tax Credit Information:

The State administers a program of tax relief entitled LOW & MODERATE INCOME HOMEOWNERS PROPERTY TAX RELIEF. This program is administered by the State DRA however we will have forms in the appraisal office to apply. We expect to have the forms available in April (the State delivers the forms to us). The filing date is May 1st through June 30th of 2008 for the 2007 tax year.

Elderly Exemption

To qualify, applicant must:

- be 65 years of age or older on or before April 1st in the year they're applying;
- be a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years prior to April 1st.
- total household income cannot exceed \$25,000 if single, or \$35,000 if married.
- all sources of income are included.
- total assets cannot exceed \$90,000. Assets do not include the value of the house and up to 2 acres of land that the house sits on. All other property would be included.

If qualified, the exemptions are as follows:

- ages 65 to 74 - \$45,000 is subtracted from the assessment and taxes are paid on the remainder.
- ages 75 to 79 - \$60,000 is subtracted from the assessment and taxes are paid on the remainder.
- ages 80 and over - \$75,000 is subtracted from the assessment and taxes are paid on the remainder.

Blind Exemption

To qualify, applicant must:

- be a New Hampshire resident for at least 1 year prior to April 1st in the year exemption is claimed.
- be legally blind as determined by the administrator of blind services and provide a letter stating such.

If qualified, the exemption is as follows:

- \$15,000 will be deducted from the assessment and taxes will be paid on the remainder.

Veteran's Tax Credit:

To qualify, applicant must:

- be a New Hampshire resident for at least 1 year prior to April 1st in the year exemption is claimed.
- have served at least 90 consecutive days of active duty during a wartime period and honorably discharged. A copy of paperwork showing date of entry and date of discharge must be supplied at time of application.

Service Connected Total Disability Tax Credit

If applying for service connected total disability tax credit, disability must be 100% total and permanent, must be service-connected with a letter from the veteran's administration to be supplied at the time of application.

If qualified, the exemption is as follows:

- \$500 will be deducted from the taxes for a standard veteran credit, and \$2,000 for a veteran with a service connected total and permanent disability.

Veteran Spouse or Widow:

To qualify, applicant must:

- Demonstrate that the spouse or deceased veteran met all requirements for Veterans Tax Credit (referenced above), and,
- Has not remarried.
- The surviving spouse of any veteran killed or died while on active duty, as listed in RSA 72:28, providing that the spouse or widow has not remarried.

Our office is available at any time to discuss these local exemptions such as elderly exemptions, or tax credits such as veterans credits. We are also available for scheduling meetings to discuss any aspect of the assessing process. We encourage all taxpayers to take an opportunity to

review the information on file for your property, and to bring questions or discrepancies to our attention if they are found.

We extend our gratitude to the administration for their continuing guidance and support and helpful fellow Town employees. Most importantly we wish to thank the taxpayers of our Town for the patience and courtesies extended to us over the year. We look forward to providing you with assistance in any way we can.

Respectfully,

Wil Corcoran, Town Appraiser

Town Clerk – Tax Collector
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By the time this annual report is printed it is usually a really good time to remind you that the 2008 dog licenses are due for renewal by April 30th. The cost of renewing the license is as follows:

Puppies	Altered	Unaltered	Senior Citizen (owner 65+ years old)
4 months old -	7 months old	7 months old	Each owner/keeper limited to 1 discounted license
Under 7 months old	& Up	& Up	Any age dog
\$6.50	\$6.50	\$9.00	\$2.00

A penalty of \$1.00 per month is assessed on May 1st and additional civil forfeiture fines of \$25.00/per dog will be added in June.

This is also a good time to remind you that the 2008 Town of Gilford facility stickers are available in the TC-TC office. Be sure to bring your current (or a copy) automobile registration (s) with you, as the plate number is placed on each facility sticker. The facility sticker is used for the beach, dump and docks. Island resident stickers and guest cards may also be requested through this office.

The Town's "Deliberative Session" was held on February 6th at the Gilford High School Auditorium; the meeting was adjourned to the "second session" and was scheduled for March 13, 2007 at 7:00 a.m. at the Gilford Middle School Gymnasium on Alvah Wilson Road. A tie between Terry Stewart and Dale Dormody for the third seat on the Budget Committee was broken on March 14th with Dale Dormody's name being drawn from a "lot" and was announced the winner. A recount was requested for the Budget Committee seat and a request was also received to recount Article 10 (Bean Property). A date was set for March 22nd for the recount with Dale Dormody winning the recount and Article 10's passage. The Deliberative Session, Second Session and recount results are published separately in this annual report.

In April this office participated in the annual audit by Plodzik and Sanderson. I am very proud to say that the Town Clerk – Tax Collector's Office did an outstanding job. I would like the residents in Gilford to know that we take pride in our honesty and integrity. There are many checks

and balances in place to protect the taxpayers/citizens as well as the employees of the Town of Gilford.

“E-Reg” was introduced to motor vehicle registrants in July. This new process allows motor vehicles to be renewed online with this office. A renewal notice with a pin number is mailed directly to the owner. The owner can then go the Town’s website and process (additional fees apply). Our office then downloads the information, prints your town/state checks and mails you the registration (s) with decals for your plates. This new process has been quite popular; we are averaging processing approximately 40 vehicles per month.

In July I started the Certified Municipal Clerk program being offered at St. Michael’s College in Vermont. In all the years of training while working in the TC-TC office, nothing has prepared me for the intense training that I would receive at St. Michaels College. I now refer to it as “Boot Camp for Town Clerks.” Housing was provided in a nice dorm with four pods. I brought my own fan for “air conditioning.” The campus was just beautiful. The classes were from 9am – 9pm daily, starting on Sunday and finishing on Friday. College professors taught the classes and I had homework every night. It was honor to be selected as the Class President for the Class of 2009. I thank the citizen’s of Gilford for supporting my effort to become a Certified Municipal Clerk and keeping me on top of my game. Words cannot express the gratitude I feel for such wonderful support.

The end of July the State of NH, Vital Records grant money that was applied for and received was spent on mobile shelving for the upstairs vault. Dupont systems from Connecticut emptied our vault, installed new shelving and replaced all the archival materials. This was no easy task as there are hundreds of year’s worth of historical volumes, thousands of receipts and data. Installation right in the peak of the summer season had it’s own set of challenges! All went well and the benefit was a 50% increase of filing space.

In conclusion I would like to mention that approximately 13,230 citizens have walked into our office for customer service; we have answered approximately 9,033 telephone calls to this department. This office has collected over \$27.2M in tax revenue and \$1.6M in town clerks revenue. Refer to individual financial reports within this annual report.

I would also like to take a moment to thank my dedicated staff of Jenn Mooney (Completed training in First year of NH Certification for Deputy TC-TC, Advanced Vital Records and Level II Leadership), Renee

McMahon (Completed Advanced training in Elections and Vital Records), Gayle Cook (Completed Advanced training in Vital Records and Microsoft Excel I), Sue Jensen (Completed Basic Training in Vital Records and Microsoft Word I & II), Danielle Lafond (Completed Advanced training in Vital Records), and Sandy Beland (Completed Advanced Training in Vital Records, Microsoft Excel I and Front Line Customer Service Certificate) for all their help with elections, learning new programs and providing excellent customer service; I couldn't have done it without their help. Thank you to all the citizens of Gilford for your constant praise and compliments; it is very much appreciated. It has been our pleasure to serve you and we look forward to serving you in 2008.

Watch for additional services via the Internet! I will offer new services to you as the software becomes available.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Morrisette, NHCTC-TC
Town Clerk – Tax Collector

2007 ANNUAL REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND LAND USE

The Building staff saw a significant increase in the number of permits this year. The sharp spike was due primarily to the Lake Shore Park Association pulling 313 plumbing permits to install individual water meters for each unit. Plumbing, electrical, and sign permits accounted for \$18,945 of the \$73,773 in permit fees taken in this year. Also, with the State approving significant changes in the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act (R.S.A. 483:B), many shorefront property owners submitted building permits in an effort to begin construction before the April 1, 2008 effective date of the new, more restrictive regulations.

The following table illustrates the work performed during 2007 by the office staff and the boards and commissions for which the department provides staff support:

I. OFFICE STAFF

1. Building Code Administration

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Building Permits	310	304	259	265	296
Plumbing/Electrical Permits	342	296	259	255	610
Sign Permits	14	19	22	16	13
Demolition Permits	23	36	36	39	28
Misc. Permits	2	1	0	97	0
TOTAL PERMITS:	691	656	576	672	947

Of the **296** building permits issued, **14** were commercial building permits and **75** were for single-family homes. Of the **75** single-family homes, **22** were knock-down/rebuild homes, and **53** were actual “new construction”.

2. Declared Value of All Construction

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
TOTAL VALUE:	\$19,349,569	\$20,530,527	\$23,160,457	\$29,101,882	\$37,438,209

3. Department Revenues

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Permit Fees (Bldg., Pl., El., etc.)				\$107,604	\$73,773
Planning Board & ZBA Fees				\$ 19,234	\$10,024
Vendor Permit Fees				\$ 5,495	\$10,525
TOTAL REVENUES:				\$132,333	\$ 94,322

4. Code Enforcement/Health Inspection Activity

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Inspections	1204	1172	1042	1069	1319
Zoning Enforcement	108	168	109	147	156
Health Officer Responses	45	56	61	92	103
TOTAL INSPECTIONS:	1,357	1,396	1,212	1,308	1,578

II. PLANNING BOARD

<u>Membership</u>		<u>Term Expires</u>
Chair	Polly Sanfacon	4/09
Vice-Chair	Carolyn Scattergood	4/08
Secretary	Richard Waitt	4/09
Selectmen Rep.	Connie Grant	
Regular Members	Jerry Gagnon	4/08
	Richard Vaillancourt	4/09
	John Morgenstern	4/09
Alternate Members	David Arnst	4/10

<u>Board Action</u>	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Site Plan Reviews	25	37	20	13	20
Subdivision Reviews	14	26	19	14	17
Master Signage Plans	2	1	2	1	2
TOTAL CASES:	41	64	41	28	39

III. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

<u>Membership</u>		<u>Term Expires</u>
Chair	Andrew Howe	4/08
Vice-Chair	Donald Chesebrough	4/09
Regular Members	Charles Boucher	4/10
	Robert Dion	4/09
	Philip LaBonte	4/09

<u>Board Action</u>	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Special Exceptions					
<i>Granted/Denied</i>	4/0	5/0	8/1	12/0	6/1
Variances					
<i>Granted/Denied</i>	1/4	5/1	8/1	6/0	3/1
Appeal of Admin. Decision					
<i>Granted/Denied</i>	0/1	0/0	0/1	1/0	1/1
Rehearings					
<i>Granted/Denied</i>	0/0	0/0	0/1	0/0	0/1

Equitable Waiver					
<i>Granted/Denied</i>	2/0	1/0	1/0	1/0	0/0
Withdrawn		3	1	2	9
TOTAL CASES:	12	15	22	22	23

IV. HISTORIC DISTRICT AND HERITAGE COMMISSION

<u>Membership</u>		<u>Term Expires</u>				
Chair	Elaine Gagnon	4/08				
Selectmen Rep.	Alice Boucher					
Planning Board Rep.	Richard Waitt	4/09				
Regular Members	Julianne McConnell, Secretary	4/10				
	Donna Mooney	4/08				
	Troy Schrupp	4/09				
Alternate Members	Ruth McLaughlin	4/08				
	Mary Curtis	4/10				
	Carmel Lancia	4/10				
<u>Commission Action</u>		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Cases Reviewed		18	19	11	13	19

V. CONSERVATION COMMISSION

<u>Membership</u>		<u>Term Expires</u>				
Chair	John Goodhue	4/09				
Vice Chair	Lee Duncan	4/10				
Regular Members	Douglas Hill	4/10				
	Tom Drouin	4/08				
	Larry Routhier	4/08				
	Charles Coons	4/08				
	Everett McLaughlin	4/09				
Alternate Members	Paula McDonald	4/10				
	Rudy Lehr	4/08				
	Donald Sibson	4/08				
	Carole Hall	4/09				
<u>Commission Action</u>		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Cases Reviewed		34	22	21	51	42

Our land use boards again saw several membership changes. Former alternate Planning Board member Kinney O'Rourke was appointed early in the year to fill a vacant position as a regular member of the Planning Board, and then resigned from the board himself later upon his moving out of Gilford (members of Gilford land use boards must reside in Gilford). David Arnst was appointed to the board as an alternate when Mr. O'Rourke became a regular member, and John Morgenstern was advanced from being an alternate to being a regular member when Mr. O'Rourke resigned. Thank you Kinney for your service to the community.

Richard Foley resigned from the Zoning Board of Adjustment (ZBA) early in 2007. With two vacancies to fill at nearly the same time, alternates Pat Labonte and Robert Dion were advanced to become regular members. Thank you Richard for your years of dedicated service.

On the Historic District and Heritage Commission, Mary Curtis stepped down from being a regular member and became an alternate allowing Troy Schrupp to move up from alternate to regular member. Also, Carmel Lancia was appointed as an alternate board member.

We welcome our new board members and thank all of you who serve in these critical positions on the Town's land use boards. The contribution of your time, talents, and everything else that you have to offer helps Gilford run well and become an even greater place to live, visit, and do business.

Of course the annual report would be incomplete without a word of thanks to the office staff. David Andrade wears many hats as Building Inspector, Code Enforcement Officer, and Health Officer and we appreciate his service to the community. Administrative Assistant Stephanie Verdile Philibotte and Department Secretary Sandra Hart are the backbone of the department and really keep things working. We thank them for their excellent service to the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

John B. Ayer, AICP
Director of Planning and Land Use

2007 TOWN REPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Police Department continued to utilize all its resources in providing police services to the community.

Although our calls for service for the year decreased slightly, the total amount of arrests increased.

We continued keeping our officers trained in various area of law enforcement throughout the year. We continue to work closely with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in training our members. With this knowledge, we can continue to sharpen our skills in computer crimes and juvenile abuse.

Member of the police department, fire department and school officials combined their efforts for a safe learning environment. The Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention provided training to a large group of officials in forming a Safe School Interagency Team. This team coordinates efforts in actual emergencies, sets policies for intervention and the development of adolescents who are in need of services. I feel this is a great asset to the community to hopefully avoid a major incident from occurring.

The department also promoted Detective / Corporal Kris Kelley to the rank of Sergeant. Kris attended the Roger Williams University in Rhode Island for First-Line Supervision. This is a highly acclaimed course in the New England area to train law enforcement supervisors in the proper techniques of management.

Officer Chris Jacques attended a course on Field Training Officer and Traffic Crash Reconstruction. Utilizing his training, Chris will now be able to train new officers that we hire in the future and have further investigative expertise in the field of motor vehicle accidents.

Officer Corey O'Connor was also made a Field Training Officer to assist Officer Jacques in the FTO Program.

Officer Kelly Seager attended a Homicide Investigation course put on by the University of North Florida.

Our K-9 “Agbar” took his trainer, Officer Dustin Parent, to Vermont to participate in a specialized course in Advanced Urban Tracking techniques. Although Agbar’s tracking ability was improved, I believe Officer Parent still needed directions to the training.

We welcomed a new officer to the police force, Officer Kristopher Kloetz. Officer Kloetz worked as a part-time police officer with the department prior to being hired full-time. He replaced Corporal Dennis Rector, who left us to become Sergeant of the Gilmanton Police Department.

Detective Eric Bredbury attended the Basic Police Prosecutor course at the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Facility.

Detective / SRO Doug Wall attended the Interview and Interrogation course held at the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Facility.

SRO Holly Harris attended a course on Forensic Interviewing put on by the Attorney General’s Office.

The Detective Bureau put on a course for the public in regards to Identity Fraud and Telephone Scams.

I would like to thank the other Town Departments for their support throughout the year.

The members of the department lost a fellow brother law enforcement officer this year. Corporal Bruce McKay lost his life while working for the Franconia Police Department. A family lost their father, son, and brother. This type of incident proves that it can happen anywhere. Knowing this, members of the department continue to put themselves in harms way to provide a safer community for all of us. It is unfortunate that it takes a tragedy such as this to remind us of the efforts put forth by emergency service workers. I cannot be thankful enough for the true professionalism, dedication, perseverance, and risks that the members of my department do. Although we know it’s what they are supposed to do, it takes someone truly special to leave for work, never knowing if they will return.

As always, we dedicate ourselves in serving this community and hope that if you need any assistance or questions, please do not hesitate to call 527-4737.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Markland
Chief of Police

GILFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT
ACTIVITY REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 2007

	2006	2007
Telephone Calls Received	17340	11887
Outgoing Telephone Calls	5757	3582
Calls For Service	15898	15643
Cruiser Mileage	186903	193386
Criminal Homicide	0	0
Forcible Rape	1	2
Robbery	2	3
Aggravated Assault	8	7
Burglary	29	19
Larceny	156	144
Auto Theft	9	9
Simple Assault	58	84
Arson	1	0
Embezzlement	1	0
Criminal Mischief	110	119
Prostitution	0	1
Drug Offenses	40	47
Gambling	0	0
Driving While Intoxicated	85	70
Intoxication	64	56
Parking Tickets	96	210
Accidents	311	338
Traffic Stops	3261	2039
Total Arrests	295	348

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Once again its time to report on the operations of the department over the past year, 2007. As I approach my twentieth year as your public works director I look back on the accomplishments of the department. The public works employees have always dedicated themselves to the good citizens of Gilford in a way that exemplifies professionalism and dedication. I am extremely grateful for their expertise and commitment because without them, the department would not be as great an asset to the town as it is.

This past year was one of weather variations. The Spring began with rather large storm event that taxed our abilities and responsiveness. We had several roads wash out that had to be repaired. The departmental employees rose to the task and roads were put back into shape in a reasonable time frame. We were fortunate to be able to receive some federal monies to put towards this task. It seems that in the past several years we have experienced more 25, 50 and 100 year weather events than would be expected. We've had 100 year events, almost back to back. Events of 100 year magnitude should be experienced once in 100 years, but we've seen them much more frequently. Because of this more frequent pattern, the department is re-assessing its drainage criteria and enlarging culverts in certain drainage areas as well as spending much more time making sure that ditches are working properly, catch basins are clean and operable and that road shoulders can stand the additional water flows. It's reasonable to assume that this weather pattern will persist for some time to come so we need to be ready and able to manage the water it will bring.

In our Solid Waste / Recycling division we are fortunate to have Bruce Hewitt and Richie Stuart continue their dedication to recycling. Bruce brings with him a fresh and dedicated attitude that has already expanded our recycling efforts by adding PETE #1 and HDPE #2 plastic recycling. He has also been able to include cardboard to our paper recycling efforts, as many of you have been asking for. We also have begun a fledgling metal recycling effort which currently supplies a good revenue because of the market demand. Please help us make a commitment to recycle as much as we possibly can to ensure that our environment benefits, and that our children are taught that it's the responsible thing to do. If you have any questions about

how, where or what to recycle, please give Bruce or Richie a call at 293-0220 and they will be glad to help you out. Remember, every ton that we can take from our waste stream and recycle saves us over \$56.00 per ton currently, that does not go to the incinerator in Penacook. The following is our yearly breakdown of materials recycled and trash sent to the incinerator:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
	(the following figures are in tons)			
Trash shipped to incinerator	7108	7022	7108	6839
Aluminum / tin cans recycled	4.83	5.37	3.67	5.03
Newspaper / paper recycled	89.85	101.41	95.45	73.55
Combined glass recycled	<u>40.50</u>	<u>43.00</u>	<u>44.00</u>	<u>54.00</u>
Total tonnage recycled	135.18	149.78	143.12	132.58

Our division continues to maintain a high activity level, updating meters in customer homes and converting the older type “touch read” pads on the exterior of homes with our newer “radio reads”. Once completed, we will be able to reduce our quarterly meter reading time from 2 to 3 weeks down to a less than one week thereby reducing labor and equipment time. If contacted by one of our technicians, please respond so that they can either update your meter, or upgrade you to the newer radio read remotes, whichever your scheduled to get as this will help keep our administrative and operations cost in check. The following chart reflects our administrative activity over the past several years:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>
Public Sewer Hookups	14	20	24	49
Driveway permits issued	109	108	90	98
Dig & Trench permits issued	29	17	22	32
Request for Action processed	85	88	148	120

Before closing this annual report, I wish to acknowledge the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator, the other town departments, commissions and agencies that public works interacts with throughout the year. Without their support we could not be as responsive to citizens' issues as we pride ourselves of being. Thank you citizens of Gilford, for your support this past year and your continued support as we prepare to enter into 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheldon C. Morgan
Director of Public Works

REPORT OF THE GILFORD FIRE – RESCUE DEPARTMENT FOR 2007

Another year has passed in but the blink of an eye, however, during that blink a tremendous amount has happened. Changes in personnel were probably the single largest event that occurred during 2007. Lieutenant Dennis Thompson retired April 28th after more than 30 years of combined service as a call and career firefighter. Lieutenant David Poole retired on May 27th after 20 years of service as a career firefighter. Subsequently Frank Latosek and Nick Mercuri were both promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Hiring two new firefighters was the next thing to occur. Nicholas Proulx was hired in April to fill the first vacancy. He had previously been a call firefighter with Gilford Fire-Rescue and was an explorer with the department while still in high school. Michael Thevenin was hired in May and served as a call firefighter in the Town of Ashland. Dana Pendergast was also hired in May to serve as a part-time Fire Inspector for the department.

The department received authorization at the 2007 annual meeting/vote to purchase a new fire truck to replace the 1978 engine that had been removed from service. This truck is due for delivery in April 2008. A new ambulance is being requested in the 2008 town budget. This will enable the department to replace a 1994 ambulance.

In April the department held its First Annual Awards Night. This was an event to recognize department members for service to the department and community. This event also was to show appreciation to the families that selflessly support us as we serve the community. Approximately 90 people attended this event. Several members were presented meritorious awards for life saving actions. Paramedic Rae Mello-Andrews was awarded the EMS Provider of the Year and Firefighter Gary Wilson was presented the Firefighter of the Year award. Service bars were presented to members based on increments of 5 years of time in the fire/ems service with nine members receiving service bars for more than 20 years in the fire service.

Training continues to be one of the top priorities for the department, as high quality pertinent training increases the level of safety and the effectiveness of firefighter/EMTs. Numerous certifications were obtained by members of the department this year. One member

completed requirements for certification as a career firefighter. Two Lieutenants received training and certification as Airport Rescue Fire Fighters. Several call members received certification for different levels of emergency medical technician certification. In addition to the certification programs both call and career personnel participated in regular department level training as well as attending many individual classes and seminars.

Activity levels for the department increased during 2007. Emergency response activity increased by over 6 percent this year in conjunction with an increase of time spent training. Maintaining an active Call Company within the department remains a top priority of the administration, however, increased demands for services and training make this more difficult. The Call Company is a vital component to the success of this department being able to deliver the emergency services rendered in this community. Recruitment and retention is always difficult due to the large time commitments that are necessary and as activity increases so does this problem, however we have continued to have members of the community show interest and join the department. The EMS component of the call force is full; however, there are vacancies in the firefighter portion of the roster. We are always looking for new firefighter recruits, but please understand the commitment that is required. The training requirement is for your own safety as well as those that you will be protecting.

The Gilford Fire-Rescue Department is committed to serving the residents and visitors of the Town of Gilford in the best manner possible. As such, the men and women of the Gilford Fire-Rescue Department would like to thank you for the continuing support that you give us.

2007 ACTIVITY SUMMARY

Structure Fires	47	Medical Emergencies	552
Grass/Brush Fires	17	Motor Vehicle Accidents	93
Vehicle Fires	10	Miscellaneous Medical/Rescue Calls	<u>37</u>
Hazardous Conditions	62	Total Medical Incidents	682
Miscellaneous Fire Conditions	<u>207</u>		
Total Fire Incidents	343	Service Calls	123
		Miscellaneous Incidents	<u>5</u>
System Malfunctions	65	Total Miscellaneous Incidents	128
Malicious False Alarms	2		
Unintentional False Alarms	72	Mutual Aid to Other Towns	191
Miscellaneous False Alarms	<u>15</u>		
Total Alarm Activations	154		

TOTAL INCIDENTS FOR 2007

1307

Respectfully submitted,
James R. Hayes
Chief of Department

Board of Fire Engineers

William Akerley, Chairman

Philip Brouillard

Mark LaBonte

Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger

Your local Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department, and the State of New Hampshire Division of Forests & Lands work collaboratively to reduce the risk and frequency of wildland fires in New Hampshire. To help us assist you, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning unless the ground is completely covered with snow. The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services also prohibits the open burning of household waste. Citizens are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 1-800-498-6868 or www.dcs.state.nh.us for more information. Safe open burning requires diligence and responsibility. Help us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at www.nhdf.org.

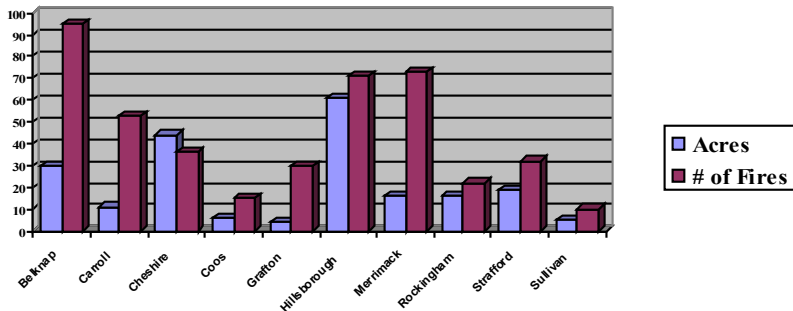
Fire activity was very busy during the spring of the 2007, particularly late April into early May. As the forests and fields greened up in later May the fire danger decreased. However, a very dry late summer created very high fire danger again from August into September, with fire danger reaching very high on Labor Day weekend. Even with the dry conditions, the acreage burned was less than half that of 2006. The largest forest fire during the 2007 season burned approximately 26 acres on the side of Wantastiquet Mountain in Chesterfield during the month of May. Our statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers is credited with keeping most fires small and saving several structures this season due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2007 season threatened structures, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at www.firewise.org. Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

2007 FIRE STATISTICS

(All fires reported as of November 8, 2007)

(figures do not include fires on the White Mountain National Forest)

COUNTY STATISTICS		
County	Acres	# of Fires
Belknap	30	95
Carroll	11	53
Cheshire	44	36
Coos	6	15
Grafton	4	30
Hillsborough	61	71
Merrimack	16	73
Rockingham	16	22
Strafford	19	32
Sullivan	5	10



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Cause	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Arson	5	437	546	482	374
Debris	197	500	546	482	374
Campfire	38	500	546	482	374
Children	22	500	546	482	374
Smoking	41	500	546	482	374
Railroad	5	500	546	482	374
Equipment	3	500	546	482	374
Lightning	7	500	546	482	374
Misc.*	119	500	546	482	374

Total Fires

Total Acres

ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE

REPORT OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

The Gilford Parks and Recreation Department has experienced a lot of exciting improvements during 2007. First and foremost Tracie Bettez joined the Parks and Recreation Department in June. Tracie took on the responsibility of managing the Town Beach during the summer months and has been assisting with the implementation of current programs and creation of new programs during the school year. Tracie brings a variety of experience and a lot of enthusiasm to the Parks and Recreation team!

2007 also saw the establishing of the Recreation Revolving Fund. Approved during the Town Vote, the Recreation Revolving Fund allows the Parks and Recreation department the flexibility to add and create new programs during the budget year by allowing accrued program fees to be available for future program expenditures. The Revolving Fund also provides an avenue for donations given to the Parks and Recreation Department to be saved until such time that they are needed.

Many of our Parks and Recreation facilities saw improvements through 2007 as well. In June, all four tennis courts and the basketball court located at the Village Field were re-surfaced. New backboards/rims replaced the old and missing ones on the Village Field basketball court as well. The Town Beach also saw a number of improvements through 2007. In May, electrical work was done on the Concession Stand to bring it up to code. In June, two new grills were installed replacing old ones that had been deteriorating. Drastic improvement was also made to the basketball court at the beach as a new paved surface was laid down in September.

We continue to work hard maintaining our facilities, keeping them available to the members of our community. This past winter, the Arthur A. Tilton Ice Rink was opened in mid-January after waiting through a warm early winter and was available to the public through the middle of March. We had another busy summer season at the Town Beach with 20 seasonal employees staffing the beach, helping to ensure the safety and well being of all patrons. Bob Hodder returned for his second summer managing the beach concessions stand and again did an excellent job offering a variety of high quality servings.

The goal of this department year in and year out is to offer the highest quality programs to all demographics of our community. Some of our youth program improvement and additions in 2007 included; expanding the Youth Basketball program to include students in grades 1-2, expanding the Gunstock Downhill Ski/Snowboard program to include students in grades K-2, adding the Challenger British Soccer Camp for children between the aged 4-12, expanding the Youth Soccer Program to include students in the first grade, adding the KidzArt after school program for students in grades 1-4 and adding the Mommy and Me Playgroup for children up through Kindergarten.

Some of our adult program improvement and additions in 2007 included; offering our Adult Drop-in Basketball program at a new time on Thursday evenings, adding a new Adult Snowshoeing program and adding new Adult Hiking Programs in the Spring and Fall. We also increased the Gilford Pairs and Spares program for senior adults with some additional activities, including; a boat trip aboard the Sophie C, the Bolduc Park Quest, a Foliage Train Ride, and 2 different Theater Performances. Our numbers have begun to increase recently with a total of 36 participants throughout the year and we continue to welcome and encourage new

members to join this fun, social group. We're pretty low-key, but we have a good time - so come join us!

We also continue to look at adding and improving our community activities. We offered our first ever Red Sox tip this past spring and had a full bus load of Red Sox fanatics that had the opportunity to watch the Sox play a great game against their eventual American League Championship Series foe, the Cleveland Indians. This past fall we added an additional room to our annual Halloween Happening for the youth of Gilford to include a variety of additional activities.

We would like to thank Watermark Marine, Laconia Savings Bank, Meredith Village Savings Bank, Northern Bass Supply and the Varney Point Association for their generous donations to our department throughout the year. We would also like to thank the Gilford Rotary for their donation of a Christmas tree and lights at the bandstand at the Village Field.

In closing, I would like to thank all the Town Departments, the School District and all the individuals who have assisted with our department throughout the year. We would like to thank you all for your support of our department as we look forward to providing quality recreation opportunities again in 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Herb Greene, Parks and Recreation Director

Parks and Recreation Commission:

Corey Demko, Chair	Miriam York
Thom Francoeur	Dave Smith
Rick Nelson	Dr. Leo Sanfacon, Alternate
Lisa Manz-Buckley, Alternate	

Youth Programs

Program	Season	# of Participants	Notes
Youth Basketball	Winter	200	Added Grades 1-2
Gunstock Ski/Snowboard	Winter	65	Added Grades K-2
Bolduc Park X-Country Skiing	Winter	4	
Bolduc Park Golf	Spring	18	3 of 4 sessions were full
Pheasant Ridge Golf	Spring	24	Session was full
Swim Lesson Sessions I and II	Summer	250	
Arts and Crafts	Summer	100	
Tennis Lessons	Summer	53	Many sessions were full
Shooters Gold Basketball Camp	Summer	70	
Challenger Soccer Camp	Summer	39	New program
Play Soccer Camp	Summer	69	
Sciensational Workshop for Kids	Summer	19	
Youth Soccer	Fall	158	Added 1 st Grade
KidzArt	Fall	11	New program
After School Sports	Fall, Winter, Spring	180	All sessions were full
Mommy and Me Playgroup	Fall, Winter	42	New program

Adult Programs

Program	Season	# of Participants	Notes
Adult Snowshoeing	Winter	5	New program
Co-ed Adult Volleyball	Fall, Winter, Spring	68	
Adult Hiking (Spring)	Spring	5	New Program
Bolduc Park Golf Lessons	Spring	16	Many sessions were full
Co-ed Adult Softball	Spring, Summer	22	
Adult Tennis Lessons	Summer	7	
Adult Hiking (Fall)	Fall	17	New program
Drop-In Adult Basketball	Fall	18	New time frame
Pairs and Spares Senior Program	Year Round	36	Variety of activities offered

Community Programs and Special Events

Program	Season	# of Participants	Notes
February Vacation Fun Day	Winter	11	Co-sponsored with Laconia Parks and Rec.
Francoeur/Babcock Memorial Basketball Tournament	Spring	12 Basketball Teams and Fans	
April Vacation Fun Day	Spring	29	Co-sponsored with Laconia Parks and Rec., program was full
Spring Entertainment Show	Spring	33	
Bike Safety Rodeo	Spring	58	Co-sponsored with Police&FireDepts.
Red Sox Trip	Spring	54	New program, trip was full
Water Carnival	Summer	60+	
Community Band Concert Series	Summer	100+	
Halloween Happening	Fall	170+	Added additional activities

REPORT OF THE GILFORD OLD HOME DAY COMMITTEE

Saturday, August 25, 2007 – “Fun Under the Big Top”! Yes, it was the 88th Annual Gilford Old Home Day celebration and boy was it a hot one with temperatures topping out near 100 degrees! The Parade Grand Marshal was former Gilford Parks and Recreation Director, Sue King. The day itself was dedicated to all the Clowns who have volunteered their time entertaining the masses during past Old Home Days.

Both the 23rd Annual Gilford Rotary Club pancake breakfast at the Community Church and the parade in the morning were as popular and well attended as always. In the parade, there were some outstanding floats, bands, color guards, mini-bikes and motorcycles, marchers, scouts, kids on bikes, National Guard vehicles, horses, oxen, antique and classic vehicles, politicians, the Wells Fargo Stage Coach and of course, numerous clowns! The usual crowd packed the entire Village area, from the Library all the way up to the Benjamin Rowe House to catch the sights. Special thanks to the GHS Class of 2008 for walking the parade route as our “Bucket Brigade” to help raise funds for our 2008 celebrations.

After the parade, some great music from Paul Warnick and Phil ‘n the Blanks emanated from the Village Field bandstand. Our very faithful Master of Ceremonies, Bob Pomeroy, kept things rolling with announcements, presentations, and his own unique brand of humor. The Opening Ceremony featured the singing of the National Anthem by Marlene Makowski. Back again for a fifth year was the Crazy Maze Company who set up their portable maze on the Village Field. Kids and adults wandered in there for hours! The Army National Guard also provided entertainment in the form of an inflatable obstacle course, which was available in the tennis courts until the surface became too hot to continue. The Gilford High School Robotics Club again gave demonstrations throughout the day on the Village Field Basketball Court.

Fighting through the heat, the traditional games and field events for the kids of all ages took place in the afternoon, with a few new twists to the races. A dance performance by the students from the Edgewater Academy of Dance was enjoyed by many who were seeking some shade under the Entertainment Tent. As the afternoon progressed, the crowd enjoyed the entertaining performance of Rick Golden, as many danced and sang along.

Despite the heat of the afternoon, both the pie-eating contest and the egg toss were well attended, and as always, provided a lot of laughs for the spectators and participants alike. Both Piche’s 9th Annual Kids’ Fun Run Race and Piche’s 30th Annual Road Race went off without a hitch!

After a brief dinner/rest break, as thunderstorms began to rumble all around us, the crowd began to return to the Village Field to enjoy the music of Routes ‘56 in the entertainment tent. Following the performance by Routes ‘56 the crowd turned their attention to the Bandstand as the Community Band Performed their annual Old Home Day concert. At the conclusion of the concert, the skies over the Village Field exploded with our traditional fireworks display – bigger and better than ever! We even had the bonus of natural fireworks as lightning flashed off in the distance! The evening was capped off with a dance for all ages, featuring our good friend and Old

Home Day supporter Warren Bailey as DJ. At about 11:45 PM, everyone who had managed to stay until the end dragged their tired bodies' home for some sleep!

On Sunday morning, with the assistance from the Gunstock Nordic Association and numerous other volunteers, the entire clean-up process went quickly and smoothly. Yes, another Gilford Old Home Day had come to an end!

We wish to extend a sincere and heartfelt thank you to all the advertisers, Town Departments, sponsors, volunteers, and friends who once again helped to make this very special annual event happen – we could never pull off this tremendous undertaking without them. I would also like to personally thank the Gilford Old Home Day Committee for all their hard work and for helping me through another Gilford Old Home Day. I can not imagine undertaking this responsibility without your assistance and guidance.

Plans are already underway for the 2008 celebration, scheduled for Saturday, August 23, 2008. If you would like to be on the Committee or to volunteer in any way, please call the Parks and Recreation Department Office at 527-4722. Helpers are always needed, and ideas and suggestions are always welcome. Be sure to mark your summer calendars now for August 23rd!!!

Respectfully submitted,

Herb Greene
Gilford Old Home Day Committee

REPORT OF THE GILFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY - 2007

2007 most certainly will be remembered as a year of generosity for the Gilford Public Library. Community members came together to gift a new and much-needed library building. A building team was assembled with the utmost care. From aesthetics to energy efficiency to green building this building team has taken to heart all the priorities we have placed before them.

Our groundbreaking ceremony took place on a beautiful June day with proclamations from the Governor and representatives from the NH State Senate. But most importantly we were able to share this important “beginning” with our community.

In May, Children’s Librarian, Lisa, took a new job that allowed her to work from home and spend more time with her family. As luck would have it Barbara Mirabelli (Librarian Extraordinaire) had just moved to our area and agreed to join our team. Barbara began her tenure as Children’s Librarian at the beginning of summer and the start of our Summer Reading Programs. NO small task! Imagine being new to the area AND being the new Children’s Librarian. Pretty intimidating! But Barbara navigated her way through Summer Reading like a pro. She met lots of new people in the area and we hope she feels welcome to her new home.

If you haven’t met Barbara yet, stop by and meet her. She is also a wonderful person, a talented puppeteer and her enthusiasm during Storytime is delightful.

Another piece of our team ventured forth for full-time employment as a school librarian. Jolene Wernig joined the Farmington school system as Media Specialist and is enjoying her new position and loving her summers off. Thankfully, Corey Nazer (GHS teacher) was happy to accept the vacancy and work with us during the summer. He enjoyed it so much, he continues to work evenings and weekends.

The Gilford Public Library Volunteers continue to help us with their commitment to serving our community. Weekly volunteers help shelve books, prepare brochure and flyers, cover materials and process magazines. They help fulfill book requests from other libraries, update

our website and send out weekly e-newsletters. They are the backbone of our great service. They include-Dorothy Piquado, Nancy Johnson, Steve Geer, Nancy Paterno, Elinor Antal, Helen Murphy, Linda Griffin, Bette Helfrich, Helen Bonin, Mary Carter, Doreen Knight, Fredda Osman, Bethany Clarke, Jim Pursley, Holly Raus, and Doreen Lania.

We have continued our varied programs. A few standouts come to mind. Jim Merkel enlightened us on sustainability issues and how we can each make a difference through even the smallest of changes. The Harry Potter Party was well-attended. We loved seeing all the Summer Reading participants have such a good time with our reading challenges. We remembered the Gilford Outing Club, enjoyed the NH Big Read with other libraries in the state and as always, we consumed lots of candy during our Annual Gingerbread House decorating. Storytimes and Babylaps continue to foster literacy at an early age. Reading and community was our focus at the Cat in the Hat Party, Maypole Event and our numerous programs.

Our collection of lending materials grew a bit this year. We added 6281 new items to our collection and withdrew 3243. We also moved many items to storage to await the move to the new library. We continue toward our goal to keep the collection current and relevant for our borrowers.

Friends of the Gilford Public Library remain committed to overseeing the construction of the New Library. We are very grateful to Kate Hamel for devoting so much of her time and energy to this project as well as our other steadfast building committee members; Bill Seed, Jack LaCombe and Polly Sanfacon.

Our patrons and the community is what this new library is all about. Thank you for your continued support in this amazing venture and we look forward to serving you in 2008 in the new Gilford Public Library.

2007 Statistical Highlights

We have 4266 current patrons that include 538 new patrons registered this year.

We checked out 99106 materials.

We added 6281 items to the collection.

We offered 370 programs that 5349 people attended

Number of Computer uses: 5302

Number of Volunteer hours: 2679

Respectfully Submitted,

Katherine Dormody, MLIS
Library Director

Staff:

Betty Tidd, Assistant Librarian

Barbara Mirabelli, Children's Librarian

Jessie Tanner, Technical Services

Anita Hewitt, Library Assistant

Tasha LeRoux, Library Assistant

Corey Nazer, Library Assistant

GILFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY NON-APPROPRIATED FUNDS REPORT

Category	Balance 12/31/06	Receipts	Expenses	Balance 12/31/07
Children's Fund	7.99	1074.02	924.22	157.79
Copier	1864.22	1858.09	0.00	3722.31
Fines	5680.6	6074.47	6019.59	5735.48
Gifts	1531.25	8775.84	5616.53	4690.56
Grants	257.15	1600.00	1477.20	379.95
Interest	53.78	20.84	0.00	74.62
Misc./Fees	4501.94	2638.85	2348.68	4792.11
Remick Trust	70.51	0.00	28.00	42.51
Smith Trust	339.99	0.00	451.50	-111.51
Town-Reimbursed Expenses	-264.73	6122.84	6600.80	-742.69
Calendar Project	2861.70	375.00	1526.79	1709.91
Maps	0	612	0	612.00
Totals	16904.40	29151.95	24993.31	21063.04
Howe Memorial CD	8253.67	195.72	0	8449.39
Allen Memorial CDs	23662.34	365.67	20,000	4028.01
Gift CD	5410.32	229.09	5639.41	0.00
Building Fund	10628.57	15.58	10644.15	0.00
Building Fund CD	64514.79	2,837.59	27352.38	40,000.00
Building Fund CD2	78647.41	0.00	78647.41	0.00
Friends Building Fund	8867.11	31.51	8898.62	0.00

REPORT OF THE OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE

During 2007, 66 households, representing 92 adults and 63 children, were directly assisted by the Gilford Welfare Office, representing a 17% increase over 2006. The types of households requesting aid span the spectrum of today's society – the elderly on meager Social Security benefits, single-parent households, and families subsisting on low-wage jobs and little or no health care coverage.

Hardship problems in 2007 included medications, illnesses, unemployment, and housing & heating costs. Energy cost increases, including home heating and automobile gasoline, are becoming the primary reason for households seeking town assistance. More and more families are requesting assistance for home heating or are spending rent or food money on heating oil or kerosene. In addition, rents in the area continue to increase at the greater rate than incomes for low- and moderate-income families.

Some of these people have also been eligible to receive State-Federal Welfare Assistance in the form of checks, Medicaid, debit cards and social services. Federal Supplemental Security Income checks also help some persons with handicaps and others in low-income families.

There is an excellent Energy Assistance Program at the Belknap County Community Action Center where fuel assistance is available. It also facilitates the PSNH electricity discount programs. The St. Vincent de Paul Society operates a food pantry, a thrift store and a financial assistance program. Gilford residents in need are referred to these programs. In cases where the cost of assistance is

high, the Gilford Welfare Office has been aggressive in forming combinations of help from the various sources mentioned above.

The Model Welfare Guidelines, updated in 2005, of the New Hampshire Municipal Association sets the example for our own Gilford Welfare Guidelines. These, used with understanding and discretion, best express our concern for “neighbors helping neighbors to help themselves.” Given the slowing economy and the aforementioned higher energy costs, we anticipate even more requests for assistance in 2008.

For any questions or for a neighbor who might need assistance, please contact Mrs. Johnson at the Town Office (527-4701) or directly at 494-3991.

Sincerely,

Erika Johnson

REPORT OF THE TASK FORCE DRUG/ALCOHOL ABUSE PREVENTION

The Gilford Task Force on Drug/Alcohol Abuse Prevention was organized in 1989 to address the issues of drug and alcohol abuse in our community. The Task Force consists of town officials, the Gilford Rotary Club, community leaders, educators, parents, students, representatives of social service agencies, and members of the general public. The Task Force meets on the last Wednesday on each month at Gilford High School at 7:00 AM.

The mission of the Task Force is to unify community agencies and professional resources in order to provide community based, early prevention programs, and intervene for individuals at risk.

During 2007, the Task Force continued to provide communication with parents, students, and community agencies to create awareness about the issues of drug/alcohol abuse prevention. Representatives from the Gilford High School Student Council, the S.A.D.D. (Students Against Destructive Decisions) Chapter, and the Interact Club regularly attended meetings and reported on club activities. Other activities included a program on computer safety, which was presented for students and an evening program for the community. The program, "Fatal Reality", a mock crash, was presented at Gilford High School to show the dangers of driving while under the influence of drugs. School Resource officers, trained in the use of preventing prescription drug abuse, began a campaign to bring attention to this issue. A risk survey was administered to students at Gilford High School. A total of 405 students took the survey. The results will be available early in 2008, at which time, statistical comparisons will be made to note changes in students' views on various topics covered on the survey.

The Gilford Rotary Club annually appropriates funds to support programs promoted by the Task Force. Funding support is also received through grants from the Gilford Police Department.

The Task Force has collaborated with CoRe (Community Response Coalition), a program whose mission is to support communities in decreasing incidents of alcohol, tobacco and other drug use among youth. The Task Force supported Project Monitor, a system which encourages youth, parents, teachers, and other concerned citizens to report information about underage parties where alcohol or other drugs may be present.

The Task Force, in cooperation with the Gilford Parent Teachers Association, endorses “Safe Homes”, a pledge by parents to provide a safe home, free from alcohol and drugs for underage youth. Over 120 families in Gilford have signed the “Safe Homes” pledge. The Task Force regularly publishes a newsletter for citizens.

Included here is a pledge form. Please join in our efforts to maintain a drug-free community by participating in “Safe Homes”. The pledge form may be returned to Gilford Elementary School at 76 Belknap Mountain Road, Gilford, NH.

If you are interested in working with the Task Force, or would like to receive mailings of the quarterly newsletter, please contact the Board of Selectmen at 527-4700.

This report prepared by
Sandra McGonagle
For the Task Force

SAFE HOME PLEDGE

I PLEDGE to provide a safe home . . .

- I will not allow parties or gatherings in my home when I'm not there.
- I will not serve, nor will I allow youth under the legal drinking age to consume alcohol in my home or on my property.
- I will not allow the use of illegal drugs in my home or on my property.
- I agree to have my name appear on a Safe Homes list for distribution and publication in area newspapers.
- I will not allow the use of tobacco products under the age of 18 in my home.

Name (please print) _____

Address _____

Telephone _____

Children's grade levels _____ Date _____

Signature _____

Return this form to:

Gilford Elementary School
Gilford Middle High School
Gilford Town Hall

_____ Please send me a list of others in our area who have signed a Safe Homes Pledge.

GILFORD LAND CONSERVATION TASK FORCE

The Land Conservation Task Force was authorized by the Gilford Town meeting and charged by the Board of Selectmen to inventory and identify areas of the community, which, by preservation, would maintain Gilford's rural character and scenic beauty, while simultaneously protecting our natural resources.

Many acres have been preserved in Gilford through the NH Land Conservation Program and the generous donation of conservation easements from residents of Gilford.

The Town of Gilford approved a warrant article on March 13, 2007, to purchase a conservation easement from the Harry Bean family on two parcels of land: 25 acres on the east side of Saltmarsh Pond Road, and 102 acres on the west side that abuts Saltmarsh Pond. Although the land was initially appraised at \$2,140,000, the Bean family very generously offered the conservation easement to the town for \$1,115,000. The Conservation Commission donated \$115,000 toward the purchase, and over \$23,000 were donated by private individuals to complete the transaction. We wish to express our thanks to the Harry Bean family for their generous donation, which will protect this property from development in perpetuity, as well as continue to allow access from the shoreline to Saltmarsh Pond. We also wish to thank each and every individual who donated toward the achievement of this important goal.

During 2007, the Task Force continued to work with Dick and Betty Persons to preserve their 292-acre sheep farm on Morrill Street as a working farm in perpetuity. Through participation by the New England Forestry Foundation, a conservation easement has been placed on 172-acres of the farm. A Board of Trustees has been elected to manage the farm and provide educational opportunities for citizens in the Lakes Region. The Persons' family has donated \$300,000 to subsidize the maintenance of the farm. Fundraising continues to raise the balance of approximately \$152,000, to fund an endowment of \$1,000,000 to ensure that the land will be maintained as a working farm for years to come. Many thanks to those who have already made contributions to this most worthy cause. Donations may be made to Ramblin' Vewe Farm at Laconia Savings Bank.

Families that have preserved lands in the past include the Harris family, the Gary Allen family, Arthur Tilton, the Muehlke family, the Gary Westergren family, John Rogers, the Weeks family, Everett and Sandy McLaughlin, and Dick and Nancy Campbell. We express our thanks to these families, and many others, who have so generously donated conservation easements. We encourage citizens to consider a conservation easement as a way to assure that land will be conserved for years to come.

Please contact the Task Force or the Gilford Board of Selectmen to discuss tax advantages in the donation of land for conservation purposes.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra T. McGonagle, Chair
Russell Dumais, Douglas Hill, Esq.
Everett McLaughlin, Stephan Nix
Dawn Scribner, Nathan Smith
Jack Woodward

KIMBALL WILDLIFE FOREST COMMITTEE

The Kimball Wildlife Forest Committee was established by the Board of Selectmen in May, 1990, with the charge to address the “remaining land” at Kimball Castle, which includes all the land of the Kimball Castle Property, excluding 20 acres surrounding the Castle. Two miles of trails have been completed on the property and were formally opened to the public in the Spring of 1992.

The trail system, consisting of the Lakeview trail and the Quarry trail, starts approximately 100 feet from the entrance to the parking area of Route 11. The trail is marked by blue rectangles with interpretive stations indicated by numbers. Trail guides are available in the mailbox at the entrance to the trail. It is estimated that nearly 700 hikers a week make the trek to the top of Lockes Hill during the hiking seasons. Schools in the area make use of the trails for science and ecological studies, as well as the study of local and regional history. Over 1000 trail maps are distributed each year to hikers and students in our schools.

During 2007, the Committee continued to maintain the trail system and manage the land in the Kimball Wildlife Forest through trail clearing and timber harvesting. Citizens are encouraged to hike the Lakeview Trail, which provides beautiful views of the mountain and the Broads on Lake Winnepesaukee. Panoramic binoculars in the glade area of the Lakeview trail accent the views of the lake and the mountains. Continuing a hike on the Quarry Trail provides a great history of the site, which is the location where many of the stones used to build the castle were mined.

Anyone interested in working with the Kimball Wildlife Forest Committee may contact the Board of Selectmen at 527-4700.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra T. McGonagle, Chair
Sumner Dole
Joan Veazey
Bob Dean
George Labonte
Kristie Katz

Town of Gilford, New Hampshire
Deliberative Session
“First Session”
February 6, 2007

At 7:02 p.m. Peter Millham, Town Moderator, opened the deliberative session with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were approximately 170 voters in attendance. Millham introduced the following officials seated on the stage: Denise Morrisette, Town Clerk, Dick Hickok, Budget Committee Chairman, Peter Millham, Moderator, Dennis Doten, Selectman, Alice Boucher, Selectman Connie Grant, Evans Juris, Town Administrator and Debra Shackett, Asst. Town Administrator/Finance Director.

The Moderator explained that this meeting was the third “First Sessions” held in the Town. The “Second Session” is to be held on March 13, 2007. The Moderator explained the procedure for moving the Articles. The procedure is to read, move, second, explain and discuss each Article. The Moderator explained that Articles may be amended and a vote on the amendment would be taken, but Articles cannot be voted on at this session. Millham explained that the first type of Articles were Zoning Amendments. He further explained that these Articles could not be amended but that John Ayer, Director of Planning and Land Use would explain each Article. Millham explained the procedure for voting by secret ballot would be located in the rear of the auditorium and a ballot box would be available. Millham recognized all non-voters in attendance (Media, Department Managers, etc) and asked that they refrain from voting during the meeting. Millham explained the basic rules of the meeting such as courteous debate and no name-calling or accusing of bad acts. Millham stated that there would be no disorder permitted. Millham stated, “At any time during the meeting I may command constable to remove anyone, and you must be silent at the command of the Moderator.” The Moderator explained that speakers would have 5 minutes the first time at speaking on the microphone and 2 minutes the second time; after all speakers have spoken for the first time. Millham explained that the amendments must be in writing and stated in the positive. Millham explained that the amendment determines the language to be used on the “official” ballot in March. Moving the question will terminate the discussion and

move to the next Article. Millham explained the right of the voters to over-rule the Moderator by vote.

Article 2 was read as written:

Article 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the existing Aquifer Protection District regulations of the Gilford zoning ordinance in the following ways:

1. Delete the existing Section 2.2.7, Aquifer Protection District, and replace it with a new Section 2.2.7, Aquifer Protection District, which is a revision and update of the existing wording, and which describes this special district and its purposes which are to protect, preserve, and maintain potential groundwater supplies and related groundwater recharge areas within known aquifers identified by the Town.
2. Delete the existing term “Aquifer” and its definition found in Article 3, Definitions, and include this term and a revised and updated definition of “Aquifer” in the proposed new Article 19, Aquifer Protection District.
3. Delete the existing Section 5.2.6, Aquifer Protection District, and replace it with revised and updated Aquifer Protection District regulations proposed to be a new Article 19, Aquifer Protection District, which describes uses that are prohibited within the district (including fuel dispensing stations), describes the district boundary, provides definitions of terms, describes how one may challenge the presence of the aquifer on a parcel and more accurately determine the precise boundary of the district if the boundary is disputed, and describes under what conditions pre-existing, non-conforming uses may or may not continue; and renumber the existing Article 19, Administration and Enforcement, and subsequent Articles as Articles 20 through 24 respectively?

Ayer explained the controversy in last years Ordinance. Passage of this Amendment would remove last years Ordinance and replace with this one (Article 2). This Amendment is modeled after the State of NH 2006 model. Maps located in the lobby of the auditorium show the effected areas. Passage would prohibit gas stations within the Aquifer Protection District. Renumber Article 19 to 24 respectively. Exempts propane from prohibition of being buried. Puts all Aquifer regulations into new Article 19 and fixes many errors and concerns.

Resident Joseph Hoffman spoke in opposition and recommended no changes to the Ordinance. He stated, "This is to accommodate Cumberland Farms. Leave it alone."

Ayer further explained that this Amendment is proposed by the Planning Board and will prohibit gas stations within the Aquifer District.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion. With there being none, he read the next Article.

Article 3 was read as written:

Article 3: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 8.8, Signs Not Requiring a Permit, by creating a new Section 8.8.7, Charitable/Non-Profit Organization Event Sign, creating regulations permitting limited display of signs that advertise events conducted by charitable and non-profit organizations, establishing how and when such signs may be posted and removed, and establishing the size and number of signs that may be displayed?

Ayer explained each sign could be up to 6 square feet and up to 20 total signs.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion. With there being none, he read the next Article.

Article 4 was read as written:

Article 4: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 11, Special Exceptions, by changing Section 11.1, Application, to authorize the Director of Planning and Land Use to issue letters of denial which would allow applicants to apply for special exceptions before applying to the Planning Board, and to rewrite the requirements of this section for clarity including arranging the requirements in individual paragraphs?

Ayer explained that the process would change. Currently the applicant goes to the Planning Board for denial and then is referred to the Zoning Board of Adjustments (ZBA). Passage would allow the applicant to go directly to the ZBA to obtain a Special Exception.

Hoffman stated that it is a waste of time to have to go to the Planning Board first.

Ayer explained that this was a way to streamline the procedure and eliminates having to go to the Planning Board first.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion. With there being none, he read the next Article.

Article 5 was read as written:

Article 5: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 11, Special Exceptions, by changing Section 11.2, General Rules for Special Exceptions, in the following ways:

1. Change subparagraph (a) from requiring a finding that prior application was made to the Planning Board and notice was sent to various town boards, to requiring a finding that a letter of denial was issued for the special exception;

2. Delete from subparagraph (c) the requirement to find that the proposal is not “offensive” to the neighborhood.
3. Modify subparagraph (f) to require a finding that “the proposal is consistent with the spirit of the zoning ordinance and the Master Plan”?

Ayer explained that the Article amends rules for the ZBA to grant special exceptions and restates standards so they coincide with the changes proposed in Amendment 3. Removes the option to find that a proposal is “offensive” to the neighborhood (which can be subjective). Corrects the name “Master and Comprehensive Plan” so it reads “Master Plan” and revises the required finding to be “the proposal is consistent with the spirit of the zoning ordinance and the Master Plan” removing reference to the “intent” of the Master Plan.

Jack Woodward of Goodwin Rd., spoke in opposition of the Article. He further explained that he felt a “single word carries a lot of significance.” “Offensive to neighborhood” was referring to the York Farm senior housing/adult community. Woodward explained that a large group was opposed to the development with high density being a main issue. Wetlands and water were other issues. The Planning Board had concerns of the housing being built in a Residential area. He said that the ZBA did not support the Planning Board. ZBA denied the application and the developer took the case to court. The court ruled against the ZBA and the developer won the case. Woodward feels that the Planning Board “proposing to eliminate weakens ZBA and takes away rights of citizens.” Woodward did not want to remove the wording “offensive” and “urged voters to vote no.”

Neil Flaherty spoke in opposition.

Everett McLaughlin spoke in opposition.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion. With there being none, he read the next Article.

Article 6 was read as written:

Article 6: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 12, Variances, by changing Section 12.2, Application, in subparagraph a. to authorize the Director of Planning and Land Use to issue letters of denial which would allow applicants to apply for variances before applying to the Planning Board; correct the name of the Historic District and Heritage Commission in subparagraph c.; and clarify that a public hearing may be held by the Board of Adjustment once an application is accepted as complete?

Ayer explained denial of jurisdiction and that the Article would give the Director of Department of Planning and Land Use (DPLU) authorization to forward applicants directly to ZBA. He further explained that the Article corrects the name of the Historic District.

Hoffman asked, “Who determines if it goes forward? Boat yard doesn’t appear in the Zoning Ordinance. Lack of jurisdiction. Who has the supreme authority to look it over and send to Planning Board or ZBA?” Hoffman made a comment of obstruction to justice.

Ayer responded DPLU proposing use and would direct applicant to find different use or forward to ZBA. Ayer further explained the boat yard was Grand fathered.

Hoffman wanted to know if Fay’s Boat Yard was Grand fathered or not. Further stated that abutters were never notified and that the “golden rule doesn’t apply here.” “ZBA rules.”

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion. With there being none, he read the next Article.

Article 7 was read as written:

Article 7: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 14, Historic District, by changing Section 14.3 to say “Department of Planning and Land Use” rather than “Planning Board office”; changing Section 14.7, Certificates of Approval, to correctly tell applicants where to obtain application forms and to make it clear that a review by the Historic District and Heritage Commission may be required even if no permit is required by the Zoning Ordinance or the Building Code; correcting the name of the Historic District and Heritage Commission throughout the Article; and making other minor grammatical corrections?

Ayer explained the article stating that if a building permit is not required the applicant would still need to be reviewed by Heritage Commission. The Article also updates the reference to the Historic District and Heritage Commission.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion. With there being none, he read the next Article.

Article 8 was read as written:

Article 8: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 15, Wetlands District, by changing the first paragraph of Section 15.4.2, Special Exception, in regards to what boards and committees staff is to notify when an application for a wetlands-related special exception is submitted and when to notify them, and to make other minor grammatical changes?

Ayer explained that this Article currently directs staff to send a copy to Board of Selectmen and Town Engineer but the amendment would eliminate that step. Site study is to review and comment.

Article 9 was read as written:

Article 9: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 2.2, Special Districts, by changing Section 2.2.1, Historic District, to correct the name of the Historic District and Heritage Commission and reference the name “Gilford Village Historic District” by which the District is also known?

Ayer explained that this Article was a “housekeeping issue.”

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion. With there being none, he read the next Article.

Other Municipal Articles

The Moderator read Article 10 as written:

Article 10: To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,025,000 to purchase the development rights on the Bean property (map & lot numbers 228-012 & 210-034), which borders Saltmarsh Pond and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$1,025,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (Passage of this article shall override the ten percent limitation imposed on this appropriation in the event of non-recommendation by the Budget Committee) **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)** 3/5 majority vote required.

Moved by: Sandra McGonagle

Seconded by: John Goodhue

McGonagle made a motion to amend as follows:

“To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$980,000 to purchase the development rights on the Bean property (map & lot numbers 228-012 & 210-034), which borders Saltmarsh Pond and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$980,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (Passage of this article shall override the ten percent

limitation imposed on this appropriation in the event of non-recommendation by the Budget Committee).”

Seconded by: Everett McLaughlin

McGonagle, Chairperson for the Land Task Force (a sub-committee of Board of Selectmen) explained the need for the reduction in funds due to fund raising efforts and an updated lower appraised value of the property.

Vote on Amendment: A voice vote in the affirmative, Amendment carries.

Hoffman spoke in opposition of the Article. Hoffman was questioning the assessed value of the property.

McGonagle explained the appraised value as of 1/15/2007.

Goodhue spoke in support of the Article.

McLaughlin showed a visual map to the audience and explained the criteria that the Committee looks for when considering land.

- 1. Unique – Pristine**
- 2. Bargain Sale**
- 3. Adjacent property to conservation land.**

Kevin Hayes questioned the easement and rights to walk the property.

McGonagle explained that there is a 50’ strip around the Pond. The easement included an approved snowmobile trail for hiking and cross-country skiing.

Barry Grevatt asked who would be responsible for the mowing and picking up of debris.

McGonagle explained that the Bean’s would still be responsible.

Hoffman spoke in opposition of the Amendment again explaining the appraised value vs. the assessed value and the fact that the Town will never own the property.

A resident questioned whether the property is currently in a Current Use status. The answer was yes it is.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator Read Article 11 as written:

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement with no non-appropriation clause, to purchase a new fire truck in the amount of three hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$325,000) payable over a term of three years and to withdraw one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the first year's lease payment. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)** 3/5 majority vote required.

Moved by: Richard Hickok

Seconded by: Constance Grant

Hickok explained that the Budget Committee favored the Article in a 6 – 4 vote.

William Akerley made an Amendment as follows:

“To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement with no non-appropriation clause, to purchase a new fire truck in the amount of three hundred three thousand six hundred twelve dollars (\$303,612) payable over a term of three years and to withdraw one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the first year's lease payment.”

Moderator Millham questioned the double negative within the Article/Amendment.

Fire Chief, Jim Hayes, explained that this Article is to replace Engine 1. He further explained that the reduction was because he only had a “ballpark figure” at the beginning of the budget process. Chief explained the “no no appropriated clause” wording was because of it being a withdrawal in a Capitol Reserve Fund.

With no further discussion the Moderator called for a vote on the Amendment.

The vote was in the affirmative and the Amendment carried.

The Moderator opened discussion on the Article:

Theresa Walker asked if there is no tax increase how was it being paid for. Moderator Millham responded that it was being paid for with future expenditure.

Walker asked how much it would be. The Moderator explained that it would be similar to a bond payment.

Hoffman asked how old the truck was.

Hayes responded that the truck is 29-years old.

Hoffman commented that UPS never buys a new truck because of proper maintenance.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 12 as follows:

Article 12: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$10,658,122. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$10,449,495, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by

previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Moved by: Hickok

Seconded by: Dennis Doten

Hickok explained the three pages in the hand out of the Budget Analysis.

Hoffman asked if each item was going to go over by account number.

Hickok replied that it was not going to be done that way.

Hoffman spoke about Arel resigning and Juris being hired. He further accused the Board of Selectmen of not having the authority to make a new position for Shackett, he quoted RSA 39:2.

The Moderator asked Hoffman to stop and to sit down.

Hoffman ignored the Moderator and continues speaking over him.

The Moderator asked Hoffman to stop and sit down again.

Hoffman continued to ignore the Moderator.

8:31 p.m. the Moderator asked for Constable to escort Hoffman from the meeting, Hoffman continued to speak over the Moderator. Hoffman was escorted from the meeting.

Alida Millham proposed an Amendment to the Article as follows:

“To see if the Town will raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of

the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$10,672,001. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$10,449,495, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.”

Amendment Seconded by Phil Arel.

Mrs. Millham further explained the breakdown of the increase as follows:

- 1. \$8,749 – Genesis Behavioral Health**
- 2. \$1,800 – New Beginnings**
- 3. \$3,330 – Red Cross**
- \$13,879 – Total Increase**

Mrs. Millham further explained the Amendment of the increased spending for the “outside agencies.” Mental Health and Domestic Violence was a public – private partnership that is critical and she urged the support of the increase.

Hickok explained that the Budget Committee has struggled for years about the appropriation using taxpayer funds. He explained that private funding was available. He said that although they all do good work it was a small application to the citizens of Gilford. The Budget Committee voted 6 – 4 against funding.

Pastor, Michael Graham echoed Alida in Support of the Amendment. He spoke on behalf of the strength of the community for the vulnerable and voiceless.

Chief Hayes offered additional information in regards to the local chapter helping with immediate assistance to flood and fire victims.

Cinde Warmington spoke in support and on behalf of Genesis. She stated that the help to uninsured citizens was 166 residents in Gilford in the year 2006 and of the 166 residents, 47 were children.

Neil Flaherty – Past member of Red Cross and Board of Fire Engineers spoke in opposition. He stated that people should personally contribute to funding and was worried how many more agencies would ask for funding in the future.

Meg Jenkins spoke in favor funding. She explained her personal interaction with New Beginnings and the intervention provided. She values the vital community resource.

Doug Lambert spoke in opposition explaining that other towns also struggle with the funding through taxation. He explained that the Town has a welfare budget and that there is also State and Federal funding available. He does not feel that it is a prudent use of tax dollars.

Susan Smith spoke in support of the Amendment reminding the audience of the quality of life that the agencies provide for in the Town.

Alice Boucher spoke in support of the Amendment personally (not speaking as a Board member). She explained that the Board of Selectmen wants the choice to go to the voters. Personally speaking she states that the agencies are vital to the community.

Dennis Doten explained that the comments have been misconstrued; Initially the Board of Selectmen recommended expending the funding to the agencies.

Karen Thurston, a citizen of Gilford for 34 years spoke in support of the Amendment.

Arel commented that the agencies are not new to the funding process. He further stated that the conversation at the Budget Committees Public Hearing was to fund the agencies. He stated that the Budget Committee did not understand the core values of the Town. He stood in support of the Amendment.

With no further discussion the Moderator called for a vote on the Amendment.

The vote was in the affirmative and the Amendment carried.

The Moderator asked the audience not to applaud.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 13 as written:

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred seventy one thousand, six hundred dollars (\$271,600) to be added to the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to be raised from taxation. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

Moved by Hickok as read.

Seconded by Boucher

Hickok explained that the funds are to repair Hoyt Bridge.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 14 as written:

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to be raised from taxation. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

Moved by Hickok as read

Seconded by Boucher

Hickok explained the burden to replace in one lump sum.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 15 as written:

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Ambulance Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to be raised from taxation. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

Moved by Hickok as read

Seconded by Dale Channing Eddy of Chestnut Dr.

Hickok explained it was the same as the previous Article.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 16 as written:

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding Compensated Absences and to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

Moved by Hickok as read

Seconded by Doten

Hickok referred to Shackett for explanation.

Shackett stated the purpose of putting money aside per the Auditor's recommendations is for employees leaving the Town's employ.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 17 as written:

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of funding Building Repairs and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Moved by Hickok

Seconded by Boucher

Hickok referred to Evans Juris for an explanation.

Juris stated the purpose is for funding any type of emergency building repair. He further explained the problems with the elevator in the Town Hall and the cost of \$8,700 not being budgeted. He stated that the elevator had to be fixed due to ADA requirements. He expects the cap on the fund account to be around 25K.

Hickok added a point about support for a miscellaneous fund account. He explained that the reality is that the budget is all spoken for.

McLaughlin asked if the accounts were drawing interest.

Deb Shackett responded that they were drawing interest and the Trustees of the Trust Fund were responsible for obtaining the highest interest rate available.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 18 as written:

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a Police Facility and to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).

Moved by Hickok as read

Seconded by Grant

Andy Howe explained the purpose of the money being used to develop plans for a cost estimate.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 19 as written:

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of funding Sewer Maintenance and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Moved by Hickok

Seconded by Doten

Shackett explained that the money would be used in the event of a break in the sewer line and/or station. The fund would be self-supporting by the sewer users.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 20 as written:

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate sixty three thousand five hundred dollars (\$63,500) to purchase a Highway Truck. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Moved by Hickok

Seconded by Boucher

Hickok explained that the funds would be used to replace a snow plowing truck.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 21 as written:

Article 21: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the Laconia Airport Authority to be disbursed upon written notification that the major capital improvements have been approved by the Federal, State and Local agencies, as well as being in compliance with state and local land use and environmental requirements. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Moved by Hickok

Seconded by Boucher

Hickok explained that this is the third year of funding.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 22 as written:

Article 22: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for invasive species management. This shall be used for milfoil removal in Smith Cove. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Moved by Hickok

Seconded by Grant

Hickok explained that the Budget Committee in favor of funding because of the \$80K collected annually that the Town receives in the General Fund from boat registrations. The Budget Committee feels it will help to justify the use of the boat registration revenue.

Doten spoke in support of the Article as he is not in favor of using chemicals for treatment of the milfoil and feels that harvesting by hand will be the best method to protect our lake and waters.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 23 as written:

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept the donation from the Friends of the Gilford Library, a non-profit corporation, by deed, of land and buildings to house a new Gilford Public Library, provided that the building has been substantially completed and a certificate of occupancy has been issued prior to conveyance.

Moved by William “Bill” Seed

Seconded by Eddy

Kate Hamel & Robert Kammeraad gave an overhead presentation explaining the gift of the Library as an opportunity of a lifetime. No tax dollars were going to be used in the future to build and that this Article will improve the quality of life in Gilford.

A resident asked about the parking situation.

Kammeraad explained that they were speaking with the church and that most of the parking would be located in the back of the building with 4-5 spaces for parking in the front of the building.

Rick Moses asked if the building was in the Historic District.

Kammeraad confirmed that it was in the Historic District and that they have been in contact with the Committee to appear on the next agenda.

Lambert asked why they were not using the land that was already purchased and he wanted to know what an explanation of “substantially completed” meant.

Kammeraad explained that “substantially completed” would mean approval with a Certificate of Occupancy. He explained that the property chosen became available unexpectedly and all the Trustees agreed that it would be a better spot for the new Library. No taxpayers funds were used as it was paid for privately.

McLaughlin wanted to give a standing ovation for the very grateful gift. The Moderator warned McLaughlin that the standing ovation was not appropriate at this meeting. The conversation was followed by applause from the audience.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 24 as written:

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 35-B:2 II. The money received from fees and charges for recreation programs and donations shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the Town's general fund. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same pursuant to the policy developed by the Town (upon order of the Board of Selectmen). These funds may be expended only for recreation purposes as stated in RSA 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other town funds that have not been appropriated for that purpose.

Moved by Doten

Seconded by Boucher

Shackett explained that this Article would allow the Recreation Dept. to use fees generated from programs. Fees would be set a side in an account.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 25 as written:

Article 25: To adopt the provisions of NH RSA 41:14a to grant the authority to the Selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings, or both; provided, however, they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition or sale to the Planning Board and to the Conservation Commission for review and recommendation by those bodies. After the selectmen receive the recommendations they shall hold two public

hearings at least ten but not more than fourteen days apart on the proposed acquisition or sale; provided, however, upon the written petition of 50 registered voters presented to the selectmen prior to the selectmen's vote, according to the provisions of RSA 39:3, the proposed acquisition or sale shall be inserted as an article in the warrant for the next town meeting.

Moved by Boucher

Seconded by Grant

Juris explained that the Article allows the Board of Selectmen to make decisions on purchasing land. Passage of this Article would take away the Town Meeting vote.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 26 as written:

Article 26: To see if the Selectmen will appoint a Welfare Director, rather than electing one annually. Appointment to be effective April 1, 2008.

Moved by Grant

Seconded by Doten

Juris explained that passage of this Article would result in the position being appointed by the Board of Selectmen to choose a qualified candidate.

Lambert asked if this would be an annual appointment or what would be the length of the appointment.

Juris explained the position would be similar to appointing a Town employee.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 27 as written:

Article 27: Are you in favor of changing the term of the town treasurer from one year to three (3) years, beginning with the term of the town treasurer to be elected at next year's regular town meeting?

Moved by Doten

Seconded by Boucher

Shackett explained passage of the Article would stabilize the position.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 28 as written:

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to designate as part of the Town Forest under RSA 31:110, the Weeks Tract of 236 acres, more or less (part of the tax map 238-005.000) purchased by the Town in 2005, to authorize the Conservation Commission to manage the property as part of the Wilson-Weeks Town Forest in accordance with RSA 31:112, and to authorize the placement of any proceeds that may accrue from forest management in the Conservation Fund to accumulate under RSA 31:113.

Moved by Boucher

Seconded by Grant

Doug Hill explained that this is a housekeeping Article. Enacted to add to the current Town Forest.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 29 as written:

Article 29: To see if the Town will vote to rescind the establishment of the Budget Committee under the provisions of RSA 32:14, and in its place establish an advisory budget committee, with authority limited to making recommendations to the Selectmen and School Board on their respective proposed budgets. If approved this advisory budget committee shall have six (6) members, who shall be appointed by the Board of Selectmen, with input from the Gilford School Board. The

members shall serve staggered terms, beginning the year of adoption with 1/3 of such members appointed to hold office for one (1) year, 1/3 for two (2) years and 1/3 for three (3) years, and each year thereafter, 1/3 shall be appointed for terms of three (3) years and until their successors are appointed and qualified. **(Submitted by Petition)**

Moved by Phil Arel

Seconded by David Buckman, Ridgewood Ave.

Arel explained that the Budget Committee was not functioning properly and not in the best interest of the community. He stated that a number of communities have this (appointed) form of government. He explained that the Board of Selectmen should be held accountable for appointing. He made reference to the Budget Committee checking their First Amendment Rights at the front door. He stated that he expects more from our Public Officials.

Richard Campbell made a motion to amend the Article by striking out all wording after the reference to RSA 32:14, so that it shall read as follows:

“To see if the Town will vote to rescind the establishment of the Budget Committee under the provisions of RSA 32:14.”

Nancy Campbell seconded the motion to Amend.

Arel questioned amending a petition warrant article.

Moderator explained that the amendment process was allowable.

Arel stated that he stands corrected.

R. Campbell explains the amendment is intended on cleaning up the Article even though he does not agree with the Article. He feels that the Article as written is misleading to the voters.

Doten spoke in favor or the amendment for a clearer decision to the voter. Doten made note that he was in opposition of the Article.

Buckman spoke in support.

Joe Wernig spoke against the amendment.

Wayne Snow a 50-year resident, Asst. Town Moderator, Former Selectman and Former Budget Committee member of 18 years stated that it would be a mistake to do away with the Budget Committee. He stated that the Budget Committee is elected and if they're not doing their job it should be corrected at the election.

Moderator Millham explained to Mr. Snow that the comments should be directed at the amendment and not at the Article at this time.

With no further discussion the Moderator called for a voice vote on the Amendment. The vote was too close so the Moderator asked for a show of hands and for volunteers to count. The vote was in the affirmative 63 Yes – 43 No the amendment carried.

The Moderator read the Article as amended and opened the floor for discussion:

W. Snow spoke in opposition. He said, "The Budget Committee does work, you put everything back in tonight."

Buckman spoke in favor of the Article.

Eddy spoke in opposition of the Article.

Lambert urged the voters to vote no. He spoke in opposition of the Article. He stated that the characterization of holding the Budget Committee is wrong, that there was no impoliteness on behalf of the Budget Committee. He further stated that work was done in depth and detail with much discussion. He feels that it is a functioning vibrant committee and that they have been mischaracterized. He is proud to be on the Committee.

Dale Dormody agreed that most part of the public sessions had good leadership skills from the Chairman and he held a level of decorum. Mr. Dormody commented that outside the meeting room is where things have broken down severely. He stated that the Committee made a spectrum of all Town Employees and Town

Officials. He wants the Budget Committee populated by people that will drive the Town forward.

Kevin Roy stated that the petition warrant article came across by frustration by what has been heard and read in the newspapers. After thinking about it and setting personal feelings aside – He cannot support the Article as written. He said, “We need the Budget Committee, and we need to be represented by the people we elected.”

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. With there being no further discussion he read the next Article.

The Moderator read Article 30 as written:

Article 30: To see if the Town will go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of Gilford. These actions include: 1. Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy. 2. Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies, thereby stimulating new jobs and investment. In addition, the town of Gilford encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and we ask our Selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions. The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the NH Congressional Delegation, to the President of the United States, and to declared candidates for those offices. **(Submitted by Petition)**

Moved by McLaughlin

Seconded by Woodward

McLaughlin explained that this is a non-binding resolution.

Lambert spoke in opposition.

The Moderator asked if there was any further discussion on the Article. At 10:05 p.m. (Approximately 140 people in attendance)

there being no further business to come before the meeting, the Moderator declared the meeting adjourned to March 13, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

**Denise A. Morrissette
Town Clerk – Tax Collector**

Town of Gilford, New Hampshire
“Second Session” Election Results
March 13, 2007

The polling place was readied with instructions in the booths and posting of sample ballots, instructions, and warrants were done. The 2006 Town reports were available. Inspectors of Elections were Barbara Carey, Shirley Snow, Rutha “Betty” Helfrich and Diane Tinkham. Town Clerk – Tax Collector, Denise Morrisette gave Sheldon Morgan, Sandy Beland and Susan Jensen oaths of office as Inspector’s of Elections. Wayne Snow was sworn in with the oath of office as Assistant Moderator.

The vote tabulator machine had been tested on Thursday, March 8, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. in Conference Room B at the Gilford Town Hall. Ballots were counted at the same time and put into sets of 25 for election day. Peter Millham, Denise Morrisette, Jennifer Mooney and Wayne Snow conducted the test and counted the ballots. The testing of the machine confirmed with the hand tally found the machine to be working 100% accurately.

The Inspectors of Elections were instructed to give a full set of ballots to each voter. Morrisette distributed privacy sleeves and magnifiers at each table for the voters to use. The Moderator cautioned about electioneering. The Moderator announced the polls open at 7:00 a.m. Assistant Moderator Snow and voter Cecily Quimby made sure the ballot boxes were empty before locking them for the day.

The Moderator gave Morrisette a receipt for 143 cast (absentee) ballots and 3,568 sets of official ballots. At 1:00 p.m., Snow and Mooney began processing absentee ballots. Snow announced the names and addresses as Mooney opened the envelopes. Millham, Morrisette, Morgan and Kim Varicchio, School District Clerk, placed the ballots in the machine for counting.

At 7:00 p.m. the Moderator announced the polls closed, several voters were in the booth completing their ballots. When all booths were emptied Snow began running the results of the tally machine and emptying the ballot boxes to count the write-in candidates. Teams of officials were put together for counting the write-ins. At 8:15 p.m. the Moderator read the results.

The total number of registered voters at the opening of the polls was 6025; at the close of the polls 40 new registered voters were added to the list for a total of 6065 registered voters. The total numbers of ballots cast were 1989 (including absentees). The results ended with a 30 % voter turn out.

The following are the voting results:

SELECTMAN THREE-YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

JOSEPH F. HOFFMAN	137
“GUS” BENAVIDES	1072 (Elected)
DENNIS J. DOTEN	666

WRITE INS:

MICHAEL SEYMOUR	3
RUDI LEHR	1
MATT DEMKO	1
BRAD KIRBY	1

BUDGET COMMITTEE THREE-YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE:

TERRY STEWART	876 (Tie for 3rd position)*
E. SCOTT CRACRAFT	197
WILLIAM F. KNIGHTLY	151
DOUGLAS J. LAMBERT	971 (Elected)
DELORES JEANNE SEAGER	381
DALE DORMODY	876 (Tie for 3rd position)*
WILLIAM H. PHILLIPS	981
KEVIN ROY	841

* A drawing was held on 3/14/07 by the Town Clerk at the Selectman’s meeting at 3:00 p.m. at the Gilford Town Hall in Conference Room A. Both candidates were in attendance and Dale Dormody’s name was pulled from the lot; he was declared the winner. A recount was requested and will be held on 3/22/07 at 2:00 p.m.; the minutes with the results of the recount are to follow.

WRITE INS:

JOSEPH HOFFMAN	3
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COREY DEMKO	1
RAQUEL MCCUTCHEON	1
EVERETT MCLAUGHLIN	1
WILLIAM RODERICK	1
SKIP MURPHY	1
GISELE LAMBERT	1
DAVID DOBBENS	1
JOHN GOODHUE	1
LAUREN IMBIMBO	1

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST THREE-YEAR TERM
VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

CONNIE P. MOSES **1572 (ELECTED)**

WRITE INS:	
JOSEPH HOFFMAN	2
EVANS JURIS	1
GEORGE READ SR	1
RICK MOSES	1
JOHN MCGONAGLE	1
GORDON BERRIDGE	1
TEUTONIC HORDE	1

TOWN TREASURER ONE-YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE
THAN ONE:

JOSEPH F. HOFFMAN 214
KAREN SAUNDERS **1611 (ELECTED)**

WRITE INS:	
GREG DICKINSON	3
GREG GODDARD	1
RICK MOSES	1
KEVIN RUSKO	1

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS THREE-YEAR TERM VOTE FOR
NOT MORE THAN ONE:

WRITE INS:
RICK MOSES **90 (ELECTED)**

TOM SPACE	20
JOSEPH HOFFMAN	11
GREG DICKINSON	6
DENNIS CORRIGAN	7
JOHN STEPHENSON	3
PAUL SIMONEAU	3
LEO SANFACON	3
DOUG LAMBERT	3
JACK STEPHENSON	2
ELAINE GAGNON	2
GEORGE HURT	2
DELORES SEAGER	2
NORM SOUCY	2
MICHAEL SEYMOUR	2
EVANS JURIS	2
KAREN CRAVER	2
JACK WOODWARD	2
RUSS DUMAIS	2
DENNIS DOTEN	2
PHIL AREL	2
ALLAN DEMKO	2
KAREN SAUNDERS	2
MICHAEL BALCOM	1
WILLIAM PHILLIPS	1
STEVE SELIG	1
KIRK MCDOUGAL	1
JOSEPH SEYMOR	1
EDWARD ROHR	1
PETER SAWYER	1
PETER KARIGIANIS	1
NORMAN BELANGER	1
POLLY SANFACON	1
MARY FROST	1
SANDRA MCGONAGLE	1
MATT DEMKO	1
ALIDA MILLHAM	1
KINNEY O'ROURKE	1
JOHN MCGONAGLE	1
WILLIAM KNIGHTLY	1
BOB BRENT	1
ANDREW UPTON	1

KENT BARON	1
STUART LASALLE	1
JOHN KITCHEN	1
JOANNA VEAZEY	1
ROBERT SEAGER	1
JOHN GOODHUE	1
SUE KING	1
TOM CHASE	1
M.G. DUCHENE	1
GUS BENAVIDES	1
JOHN AYER	1
FRED CLARK	1
JUDY COOK	1
DON FROST	1
CARL CARDER	1
CONNIE MOSES	1
STEVE MOSES	1
SKIP MURPHY	1
DONALD CURTIS	1
CONRAD HANF	1
NICK PROULX	1
DOUG DADE	1
THOMAS DREVER	1
ERIKA JOHNSON	1
RICK FORD	1
PRISCILLA SHAW	1
SUE GREEN	1
DOM DECARLI	1
MIKE ROBBS	1
WILLIAM RODERICK	1
ROBERT DIONNE	1
STEVE GUYER	1
SHARON SIMONS	1
TERRY MOSES	1
KEVIN ROY	1
PETER MILLHAM	1

LIBRARY TRUSTEE THREE-YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO:

“POLLY” SANFACON	1273 (ELECTED)
TRACEY PETROZZI	1281 (ELECTED)

WRITE INS:	
JOSEPH HOFFMAN	4
LENI GANGI	2
JOAN NELSON	1
COREY DEMKO	1
KAREN THURSTON	1
GEORGE HURT	1
DOUG LAMBERT	1
CAROLE MESSIER	1
SUE GREENE	1
ALLEN VOIVOD	1

OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE ONE-YEAR TERM VOTE
FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE:

ERIKA JOHNSON **1542 (ELECTED)**

WRITE INS:	
BILL CONNELLY	3
JOHN GOODHUE	1
KAREN THURSTON	1
JOSEPH HOFFMAN	1

FIRE ENGINEER THREE-YEAR TERM VOTE FOR NOT MORE
THAN ONE:

PHILIP A. BROUILLARD **975 (ELECTED)**
“KEN” KNEUER 751

WRITE INS:	
MARK GANGI	2
GARY WILSON	1

Zoning Ordinance Amendments

Article 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the existing Aquifer Protection District regulations of the Gilford zoning ordinance in the following ways:

1. Delete the existing Section 2.2.7, Aquifer Protection District, and replace it with a new Section 2.2.7, Aquifer Protection District, which is a revision and update of the existing wording, and which describes this special district and its purposes which are to protect, preserve, and maintain potential groundwater supplies and related groundwater recharge areas within known aquifers identified by the Town.
2. Delete the existing term “Aquifer” and its definition found in Article 3, Definitions, and include this term and a revised and updated definition of “Aquifer” in the proposed new Article 19, Aquifer Protection District.
3. Delete the existing Section 5.2.6, Aquifer Protection District, and replace it with revised and updated Aquifer Protection District regulations proposed to be a new Article 19, Aquifer Protection District, which describes uses that are prohibited within the district (including fuel dispensing stations), describes the district boundary, provides definitions of terms, describes how one may challenge the presence of the aquifer on a parcel and more accurately determine the precise boundary of the district if the boundary is disputed, and describes under what conditions pre-existing, non-conforming uses may or may not continue; and renumber the existing Article 19, Administration and Enforcement, and subsequent Articles as Articles 20 through 24 respectively?

YES - 1280

NO – 341

PASSED

Article 3: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 8.8, Signs Not Requiring a Permit, by creating a new Section 8.8.7, Charitable/Non-Profit Organization Event Sign, creating regulations permitting limited display of signs that advertise events conducted by charitable and non-profit organizations, establishing how and when such signs may be

posted and removed, and establishing the size and number of signs that may be displayed?

YES - 1341

NO – 499

PASSED

Article 4: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 11, Special Exceptions, by changing Section 11.1, Application, to authorize the Director of Planning and Land Use to issue letters of denial which would allow applicants to apply for special exceptions before applying to the Planning Board, and to rewrite the requirements of this section for clarity including arranging the requirements in individual paragraphs?

YES - 1301

NO – 459

PASSED

Article 5: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 11, Special Exceptions, by changing Section 11.2, General Rules for Special Exceptions, in the following ways:

1. Change subparagraph (a) from requiring a finding that prior application was made to the Planning Board and notice was sent to various town boards, to requiring a finding that a letter of denial was issued for the special exception;
2. Delete from subparagraph (c) the requirement to find that the proposal is not “offensive” to the neighborhood.
3. Modify subparagraph (f) to require a finding that “the proposal is consistent with the spirit of the zoning ordinance and the Master Plan”?

YES - 876

NO – 849

PASSED

Article 6: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 5 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 12, Variances, by changing Section 12.2, Application, in subparagraph a. to authorize the Director of Planning and Land Use to issue letters of denial which would allow applicants to apply for variances before applying to the Planning Board; correct the name of the Historic District and Heritage Commission in subparagraph c.; and clarify that a public hearing may be held by the Board of Adjustment once an application is accepted as complete?

YES - 1332

NO – 388

PASSED

Article 7: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 6 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 14, Historic District, by changing Section 14.3 to say “Department of Planning and Land Use” rather than “Planning Board office”; changing Section 14.7, Certificates of Approval, to correctly tell applicants where to obtain application forms and to make it clear that a review by the Historic District and Heritage Commission may be required even if no permit is required by the Zoning Ordinance or the Building Code; correcting the name of the Historic District and Heritage Commission throughout the Article; and making other minor grammatical corrections?

YES - 1455

NO – 291

PASSED

Article 8: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 7 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Article 15, Wetlands District, by changing the first paragraph of Section 15.4.2, Special Exception, in regards to what boards and committees staff is to notify when an application for a wetlands-related special exception is submitted and when to notify them, and to make other minor grammatical changes?

YES - 1429

NO – 306

PASSED

Article 9: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 8 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 2.2, Special Districts, by changing Section 2.2.1, Historic District, to correct the name of the Historic District and Heritage Commission and reference the name “Gilford Village Historic District” by which the District is also known?

YES - 1573

NO – 210

PASSED

Other Municipal Articles

Article 10: To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$980,000 to purchase the development rights on the Bean property (map & lot numbers 228-012 & 210-034), which borders Saltmarsh Pond and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$980,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (Passage of this article shall override the ten percent limitation imposed on this appropriation in the event of non-recommendation by the Budget Committee) **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)** 3/5 majority vote required.

YES - 1157

NO – 776*

DEFEATED

*A recount was requested and will be held on 3/22/07 following the recount for Budget Committee Member (Stewart – Dormody) @ 2:00 p.m.; the minutes with the results of the recount are to follow.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement with no non-appropriation clause, to purchase a new fire truck in the amount of three hundred three thousand six hundred twelve dollars (\$303,612) payable over a term of three years and to withdraw one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the first year's lease payment. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**
3/5 majority vote required.

YES - 1308
PASSED

NO – 604

Article 12: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$10,672,001. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$10,449,495, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)

YES - 1223
PASSED

NO – 657

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred seventy one thousand, six hundred dollars (\$271,600) to be added to the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to be raised from taxation. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

YES - 1305
PASSED

NO – 555

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to be raised from taxation. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

YES - 1309

NO – 576

PASSED

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Ambulance Replacement Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to be raised from taxation. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

YES - 1299

NO – 582

PASSED

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of funding Compensated Absences and to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

YES - 1044

NO – 806

PASSED

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of funding Building Repairs and to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

YES - 1356

NO – 509

PASSED

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of a Police Facility and to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars

(\$50,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.

(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).

YES - 1088

NO – 777

PASSED

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of funding Sewer Maintenance and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

YES - 1246

NO – 604

PASSED

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate sixty three thousand five hundred dollars (\$63,500) to purchase a Highway Truck. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

YES - 1261

NO – 604

PASSED

Article 21: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for the Laconia Airport Authority to be disbursed upon written notification that the major capital improvements have been approved by the Federal, State and Local agencies, as well as being in compliance with state and local land use and environmental requirements. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

YES - 1330

NO – 555

PASSED

Article 22: To see if the Town will raise and appropriate ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) for invasive species management. This shall be used for milfoil removal in Smith Cove. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

YES - 1417

NO – 478

PASSED

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept the donation from the Friends of the Gilford Library, a non-profit corporation, by deed, of land and buildings to house a new Gilford Public Library, provided that the building has been substantially completed and a certificate of occupancy has been issued prior to conveyance.

YES - 1423

NO – 484

PASSED

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Recreation Revolving Fund pursuant to RSA 35-B:2 II. The money received from fees and charges for recreation programs and donations shall be allowed to accumulate from year to year, and shall not be considered to be part of the Town's general fund. The Town Treasurer shall have custody of all monies in the fund, and shall pay out the same pursuant to the policy developed by the Town (upon order of the Board of Selectmen). These funds may be expended only for recreation purposes as stated in RSA 35-B, and no expenditure shall be made in such a way as to require the expenditure of other town funds that have not been appropriated for that purpose.

YES - 1474

NO – 365

PASSED

Article 25: To adopt the provisions of NH RSA 41:14a to grant the authority to the Selectmen to acquire or sell land, buildings, or both; provided, however, they shall first submit any such proposed acquisition or sale to the Planning Board and to the Conservation Commission for review and recommendation by those bodies. After the selectmen receive the recommendations they shall hold two public hearings at least ten but not more than fourteen days apart on the proposed acquisition or sale; provided, however, upon the written petition of 50 registered voters presented to the selectmen prior to the selectmen's vote, according to the provisions of RSA 39:3, the proposed acquisition or sale shall be inserted as an article in the warrant for the next town meeting.

YES - 1187

NO – 574

PASSED

Article 26: To see if the Selectmen will appoint a Welfare Director, rather than electing one annually. Appointment to be effective April 1, 2008.

YES - 1030

NO – 769

PASSED

Article 27: Are you in favor of changing the term of the town treasurer from one year to three (3) years, beginning with the term of the town treasurer to be elected at next year's regular town meeting?

YES - 1381

NO – 442

PASSED

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote to designate as part of the Town Forest under RSA 31:110, the Weeks Tract of 236 acres, more or less (part of the tax map 238-005.000) purchased by the Town in 2005, to authorize the Conservation Commission to manage the property as part of the Wilson-Weeks Town Forest in accordance with RSA 31:112, and to authorize the placement of any proceeds that may accrue from forest management in the Conservation Fund to accumulate under RSA 31:113.

YES - 1638

NO – 199

PASSED

Article 29: To see if the Town will vote to rescind the establishment of the Budget Committee under the provisions of RSA 32:14. **(Submitted by Petition; Amended at the First Deliberative Session)**

YES - 401

NO – 1366

DEFEATED

Article 30: To see if the Town will go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of Gilford. These actions include: 1. Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy. 2. Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy

technologies, thereby stimulating new jobs and investment. In addition, the town of Gilford encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and we ask our Selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions. The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the NH Congressional Delegation, to the President of the United States, and to declared candidates for those offices. **(Submitted by Petition)**

YES - 1183

NO – 630

PASSED

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise A. Morrissette
Town Clerk – Tax Collector

Town of Gilford, New Hampshire
“Second Session” Election Results
March 13, 2007
Amendment to Minutes

Article 10: To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$980,000 to purchase the development rights on the Bean property (map & lot numbers 228-012 & 210-034), which borders Saltmarsh Pond and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$980,000 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon. (Passage of this article shall override the ten percent limitation imposed on this appropriation in the event of non-recommendation by the Budget Committee) **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)** 3/5 majority vote required.

YES - 1157

NO – 776*

DEFEATED

*A recount was requested and will be held on 3/22/07 following the recount for Budget Committee Member (Stewart – Dormody) @ 2:00 p.m.; the minutes with the results of the recount are to follow.

Amendment to minutes is to include the tally from the machine and the mathematics used to determine the defeat:

Yes Votes: 1157

No Votes: + 776

= Total Votes cast on Article 10: 1933
x .60 (3/5)

= Total for Passage: **1159.8**

Article declared defeated.

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a long-term lease/purchase agreement with no non-appropriation clause, to purchase a new fire truck in the amount of three hundred three thousand six hundred twelve dollars (\$303,612) payable over a term of three years and to withdraw one hundred and

twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) from the Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund for the first year's lease payment. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**
3/5 majority vote required.

YES - 1308

NO – 604

PASSED

Amendment to minutes is to include the tally from the machine and the mathematics used to determine the passage:

Yes Votes: 1308

No Votes: + 604

= Total Votes cast on Article 11: 1912

x .60 (3/5)

= Total for Passage: 1147.2

Article declared Passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Morrisette
Town Clerk – Tax Collector

03/26/07

Town of Gilford, New Hampshire
Minutes of Recounts Election Results
March 22, 2007

The original vote on March 13, 2007 ended with a tie between Terry Stewart and Dale Dormody for the third place Budget Committee Member. The tie was broken on Wednesday, March 14th at the Board of Selectman's meeting. The Town Clerk, Denise Morrisette pulled Dormody's name from the lot first and broke the tie, declaring Dormody as the winner. A request for a recount from Stewart was received on Thursday, March 15th. Morrisette set the date and time of the recount to be March 22, 2007 Gilford Town Hall at 2:00 p.m.

The second request for a recount was received on Friday, March 16th, 2007. The request for a recount of Article 10 (Bean Property) had the signatures of 11 voters from the Town's checklist. Morrisette set the date and time of this recount to follow the first recount on March 22, 2007 at Gilford Town Hall. The information was sent as a news release to the three local newspapers (Gilford Steamer, The Citizen & The Daily Sun). Public notices were posted in the Town Clerk – Tax Collector's lobby of the Gilford Town Hall; the Gilford Public Library; and on the Town of Gilford's website (posted 3/20/07).

March 22, 2007 at 1:50 p.m. Morrisette and Mooney brought the 4 boxes of uncast ballots and 4 boxes of cast ballots to the lunchroom. The ballots have been kept sealed (since the 3/13/07 election) in the fireproof vault of the Clerk's Office. Moderator Millham was in the lunchroom waiting for the recount board to arrive. Millham wanted 3 teams of 2 people for the first recount of the Budget Committee Member. Millham asked candidate Dormody if he had any objections to Deputy Mooney counting ballots to make it 3 teams. Dormody had no objections. Morrisette explained that Stewart had called the office this morning and expressed that he was out of town but that Bob Brent would be representing him at the recount. Morrisette also told Millham that she had Stewart's cell phone number if a call to Stewart would be appropriate. Millham agreed to call Stewart. A message was left on Stewart's cell phone. Stewart returned the call a few minutes later stating that he had no objections to Mooney joining the recount.

The following people were present at the first recount:

Peter Millham, Moderator; Denise Morrisette, Town Clerk; Jennifer Mooney, Deputy Town Clerk; Alice Boucher, Selectman; Constance Grant, Selectman, Gustavo Benavides, Selectman; Dale Dormody, Candidate; Doug Lambert, Observer; Susan Greene, Observer; Bob Brent, Observer; Sarah, Gilford Steamer; James Mitchell, The Citizen.

The following people made an appearance at the first recount: Michael Kitch, Daily Sun (& photographer); Christian Kelley, Gilford Police Dept.; Evans Juris, Everett McLaughlin; Joseph Hoffman.

Millham instructed Morrisette to unseal all the boxes of ballots; including the uncast ballots. Boxes of cast ballots were emptied and separated by pulling out the Town's white ballot marked 1 of 2 (the front side of this ballot included the races for town offices; the backside of this same ballot had Article 10 (Bean Property) listed on it). The ballots were double-checked to ensure all white ballots marked 1 of 2 were taken out. Teams were set up as follows:

Morrisette (looked at ballots) – Boucher (marked tally sheet)

Millham (looked at ballots) – Grant (marked tally sheet)

Mooney (looked at ballots) – Benavides (marked tally sheet)

Tally sheets were marked for each vote for Stewart & Dormody. The sheets were tallied with the following results:

Stewart	871	Dormody	879
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The results of the recount concluded **Dormody the winner**.

The first recount ended at 4:45 p.m. and the second recount started:

The following people were present at the second recount:

Peter Millham, Moderator; Denise Morrisette, Town Clerk; Jennifer Mooney, Deputy Town Clerk; Alice Boucher, Selectman; Constance Grant, Selectman, Gustavo Benavides, Selectman; Everett McLaughlin, Observer; Sarah, Gilford Steamer; James Mitchell, The Citizen.

Moderator Millham instructed the Board to separate the ballots into Yes and No piles. Millham abstained from separating and counting the ballots. The ballots were put into piles of Yes's and piles of No's; blank votes were placed into a separate pile for the Moderator to double-check. The piles of Yes's and No's were then put into bundles of 25 ballots per bundle and stacked crisscrossed. The Board then

double-checked to be sure there were 25 ballots in each Yes bundle and each No bundle. The Board made a few determinations of the intent of the voters on marking their ballots. An example of one of the ballots was that the ovals were filled in and then an X marked through the vote and a second choice made. Another ballot had very light marks in the oval through out the whole ballot. A count of **Yes** bundles equaled **1,159** votes; a count of No bundles equaled 772 votes. The total numbers of ballots cast on Article 10 were 1,931. The Bond vote requires a 3/5-majority vote. To achieve this you must take the total ballots cast on the Article $1,931 \times .60 = \mathbf{1158.6}$

The results of the recount concluded the **Article Passed**.

The ballots were collected and placed into the boxes and sealed. The sealed ballots were taken to the downstairs vault for storage. The second recount concluded at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise A. Morrissette
Town Clerk

Gunstock Acres Village Water District

On MAY 30, 1981 the citizens of Gunstock Acres voted to create the Gunstock Acres Village District, pursuant to RSA Chapter 52. It was subsequently renamed, Gunstock Acres Village Water District, to reflect the district's purpose. This year marks the 26th year of the district's existence. The Gunstock Acres community has continued to grow over the ensuing years and the Water District has been able to live up to the challenge of servicing the ever growing community. We are now delivering more than 80,000 gallons of water per day and the District services over 750 accounts. Today, the water district is fully prepared to absorb the needs of all possible growth in our community.

The Water District is self funding accruing no cost to the Town of Gilford. Our operation is funded by assessment to the members of our community and a precinct tax leveled at the property owners.

Several years ago when we were faced with a severe drought it became apparent to the commissioners that we needed new water sources and updated equipment to take better advantage of the existing water sources. After a thorough review of the possible routes toward solving our problems the Commissioners decided to look for new sources of water rather than constructing storage facilities. Since that decision we have drilled the new wells all yielding a significant amount of water. One of those is on line and the other two have just received temporary approvals from the State Department of Environmental Services. We expect to receive final approval in the early spring months. Those wells added to our existing seven will insure that we have the water to meet all possible needs.

We have also been busy updating our pump operations by installing Variable Frequency Controls that help to optimize our use of water. We have updated all of our processing systems in order to insure the continued safety of our water. In order to have tighter controls over water conservation we are also in the process of computerizing the full operation. We are presently in the process of acquiring and installing a

SCADA system to insure a high degree of conservation. The SCADA system will allow us to quickly locate leakage problems that caused us difficulties in the past. Our next step is to acquire emergency generators for our pump stations so that we might continue to service our residents through any power outage. To date all of this has been accomplished without the need for external financing, we pride ourselves on an efficient operation.

The District continues to be operated with an eye to the future.

Our operator is Wade Crawshaw.

Commissioners - Bob Dalton, John T. O'Brien, Tom Walters

Secretary - Susan Dalton

Treasurer - Dr. Robert Dion

FINANCIAL REPORT

Of the Town of Gilford, NH in Belknap County
for the Fiscal Year Ended in December 31, 2007

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Alice H. Boucher, Chairman
Connie Grant
Gus Benavides
 Board of Selectmen
Karen Saunders
 Town Treasurer

SUMMARY OF REVENUES
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2007

	<u>Estimated</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Difference</u>
TAXES:			
Land Use Change Tax	0	0	0
Yield Tax	20,000	8,859	11,141
Excavation Tax	500	2,385	-1,885
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	15,000	13,173	1,827
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	130,600	141,501	-10,901
LICENSES, PERMITS, & FEES:			
Business Licenses	69,315	69,954	-639
Motor Vehicle Permits	1,613,500	1,595,402	18,098
Building Permits	61,700	79,043	-17,343
Other Licenses and Permits	10,800	8,389	2,412
FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Federal Grants	0	55,766	-55,766
FROM STATE OF NH:			
State Revenue Sharing	38,171	86,370	-48,199
Rooms & Meals Distribution	280,000	308,371	-28,371
Highway Block Grant	185,038	185,038	0
Water Pollution Grant	77,000	40,065	36,935
Forest Land Reimbursement	1,500	1,399	101
Other State Grant Funds	9,280	18,329	-9,049
INCOME FROM DEPARTMENTS:			
Administrative Offices	3,600	5,200	-1,600
Town Clerk's Office	7,700	7,222	478
Police Department	102,500	103,382	-882
Fire Department	180,200	160,833	19,367
Parks & Recreation	24,200	4,726	19,474
Planning & Land Use	18,310	13,373	4,937
Public Works	1,275	26,996	-25,721
Solid Waste	114,000	103,980	10,020
Sewer Department	786,629	786,629	0
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE:			
Special Assessments	9,958	9,686	272
Sale of Town Property	50,000	61,328	-11,328
Interest on Investments	125,000	231,612	-106,612
Rents of Town Property	5,500	5,747	-247
Insurance Dividends	100	0	100
Other Sources	10,000	13,957	-3,957

Welfare Reimbursements	8,000	2,577	5,424
OPERATING TRANSFERS IN:			
From Sewer Assessment Fund	250,174	250,174	0
From Capital Reserve	120,000	120,000	0
From Capital Projects	0	0	0
SUBTOTAL REVENUE:	4,329,550	4,521,467	-191,917
Applied Fund Balance		370,000	
TOTAL REVENUE:	4,329,550	4,891,467	

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION
1-Apr-07

Land:

Current Use	987,070	
Conservation Assessments	20,860	
Residential	678,252,070	
Commercial/Industrial	<u>46,148,000</u>	
Total Land:		725,408,000

Buildings:

Residential	790,511,200	
Manufactured Housing	21,033,100	
Commercial/Industrial	<u>93,836,100</u>	
Total Buildings:		905,380,400

Public Utilities:

Gas	436,000	
Electric	5,603,000	
Other	<u>89,985</u>	
Total Utilities:		<u>6,128,985</u>

Total valuation before exemptions: 1,636,917,385

Blind Exemption	45,000	
Elderly Exemption	5,221,100	
Veterans Exemption	<u>245,100</u>	
Less Total Exemptions:		<u>5,511,200</u>

Net Town Valuation: 1,631,406,185

TAX RATE COMPUTATION
2007

Town Portion

Appropriations	12,292,101	
Less: Revenues	5,349,393	
Less: Shared Revenues	38,631	
Add: Overlay	101,054	
Add: War Service Credits	<u>309,500</u>	
Net Town Appropriation		7,314,631
Municipal Tax Rate:		4.48

School Portion

Net Local School Budget	16,997,638	
Less: Adequate Education Grant	542,711	
Less: State Education Taxes	<u>3,785,048</u>	
Approved School Tax Effort		12,669,879
Local School Tax Rate		7.77

State Education Taxes

Equalized Valuation (no utilities)		
x	2.24	
16,897,853,510		3,785,048
Divide by Local Assessed		
Valuation (no utilities)		<u>1,625,277,200</u>
State Education Tax Rate		2.33
Excess State Education tax		
to be remitted to State	0	

County Portion

Due to County	2,050,890	
Less: Shared Revenues	<u>9,568</u>	
Approved County Tax Effort		2,041,322
County Tax Rate		1.25

Combined Tax Rate

Total Property Taxes Assessed	25,810,880	
Less: War Service Credits	309,500	
Add: Village District		
Commitment	<u>38,325</u>	
Total Property Tax Commitment		25,539,705
Combined Tax Rate		15.83

**Comparative Statement of
Appropriations and Expenditures
12/31/2007**

	Appropriation	Adjust.	Expended	Balance
Executive	439,629		439,626	3
Election, Registration, Vital Statistics	207,174	9,560	203,075	13,659
Financial Administration	175,655		132,284	43,371
Revaluation of Property	179,482		176,184	3,298
Legal	60,000		89,671	-29,671
Personnel Administration	1,960,735		1,728,564	232,171
Planning & Zoning	212,869		206,572	6,297
General Government Buildings	257,633	2,859	244,024	16,468
Cemeteries	21,600		23,150	-1,550
Insurances	83,000		78,472	4,528
Regional Associations	7,914		7,914	0
TOTAL General Government	3,605,691	12,419	3,329,538	288,572
Police Department	1,403,964	1,000	1,336,325	68,639
Fire Department	1,084,065		1,034,759	49,306
Emergency Management	13,540	769	2,819	11,490
Other Public Safety	37,024		37,024	0
TOTAL Public Safety	2,538,593	1,769	2,410,928	129,434
Public Works Administration	171,823		164,171	7,652
Highways & Streets	1,363,591	25,758	1,251,111	138,238
Bridges	1		0	1
Street Lighting	18,239		20,953	-2,714
Vehicle Maintenance	232,292		218,506	13,786
Solid Waste	539,717		478,498	61,219
Sewer Department	786,629		735,044	51,585
TOTAL Public Works	3,112,292	25,758	2,868,284	269,766
Animal Control	7,600		9,484	-1,884
Health Services	45,396		45,396	0
Welfare Assistance	64,000		68,042	-4,042
TOTAL Health & Welfare	116,996	0	122,922	-5,926
Parks & Recreation	212,945		206,749	6,196
Skating Rink	9,400		6,314	3,086
Library	263,473		261,386	2,087
Patriotic Purposes	125		106	19
Other Culture & Recreation	0		0	0
TOTAL Culture & Recreation	485,943		474,554	11,389

TOTAL Conservation	13,800		12,541	1,259
Principal - Long Term Bonds	596,361		454,825	141,536
Interest - Long Term Bonds	64,281		70,099	-5,818
Interest - TAN's	5,000		0	5,000
TOTAL Debt Service	665,642		524,924	140,718
Machinery, Vehicles, Equipment	292,544		189,362	103,182
Other Improvements	20,000		13,285	6,715
TOTAL Capital Outlay	312,544		202,647	109,897
TOTAL Capital Reserve	416,600		416,600	0
Laconia Water Works	34,000		36,682	-2,682
Laconia Airport Authority	10,000		10,000	0
TOTAL OPERATING TRANSFERS	44,000		46,682	-2,682
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	11,312,101	39,946	10,409,620	942,427
OTHER DISBURSEMENTS				
Gilford School District	16,774,119			
Belknap County Taxes	2,050,890			
Gunstock Village Water District	162,503			
TOTAL	18,987,512			

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of:

Gilford

Period:

01/01/07 - 12/31/07

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES- BEG. OF YEAR*	Levy 2007	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2006	2005	2004-Prior
Property Taxes		\$1,447,152.87		
Capital Cost		9,098.84		
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax/Gravel Tax				
Sewer Tax		38,783.95		
Gunstock Acres Water		12,478.90		
Cherry Valley Betterment		597.00		
Lockes Hill Betterment		494.00		
Interest		32.95		
Other charges				

TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR

Property Taxes & Jeopardy	\$25,600,074.00	11,026.00		
Capital Cost	103,956.00			
Land Use Change	101,118.00	95,200.00		
Yield Taxes	8,859.37			
Excavation Tax/Gravel Tax	2,384.52			
Sewer Tax	618,674.47			
Gunstock Acres Water	165,990.00			
Cherry Valley Betterment	6,228.00			
Lockes Hill Betterment	3,458.00			
Other charges - Bad Check	250.00	50.00		
Village Betterment - VBET	5,700.00			

OVERPAYMENT:

Property Taxes	46,603.74	37,935.58	3,211.00	5,529.00
Capital Cost				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax/Gravel Tax				
Sewer Tax	7,813.14	900.06	558.86	909.00
Gunstock Acres Water	38.54			
Cherry Valley Betterment				
Lockes Hill Betterment				
Interest - Late Tax	18,376.63	74,817.93		
Penalties - Other Taxes		3,065.92		
Costs before Lien		6,134.50		
Other charges				
TOTAL DEBITS	\$26,689,524.41	\$1,737,768.50	\$3,769.86	\$6,438.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of:

Gilford

Period:

01/01/07 - 12/31/07

Credits

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy 2007	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2006	2005	2004-Prior
Property Taxes & Jeopardy	\$24,228,655.03	\$1,461,285.32		
Gunstock Acres Water	147,710.56	12,478.90		
Sewer Tax	523,164.68	38,313.86		
Land Use Change (Current Use)	80,750.00	89,200.00		
Yield Taxes	8,844.45			
Excavation Tax/Gravel Tax	2,384.52			
Capital Cost Recovery	93,739.00	9,098.84		
Cherry Valley Betterment	5,709.00	597.00		
Lockes Hill Betterment	2,964.00	494.00		
Other Charges - Bad Check	250.00	50.00		
Village Betterment -VBET	5,000.00			
Interest (include lien conversion)	18,362.44	74,850.88		
Tax Lien Costs		6,134.50		
Penalties		3065.92		

ABATEMENTS

Property Taxes	40,712.00	34,829.13	3,211.00	5,529.00
Gunstock Acres Water	260.00			
Sewer Tax	17,387.10	1,370.15	551.02	909.00
Land Use Change (Current Use)		6,000.00		
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax/Gravel Tax				
Capital Cost Recovery			7.84	
Cherry Valley Betterment				
Lockes Hill Betterment				
Interest/Cost/Penalties Collected				
Current Levy Deeded	4,555.39			

UNCOLLECTED TAXES -

Property Taxes	1,372,917.71			
Gunstock Acres Water	18,057.98			
Sewer Tax	85,773.44			
Land Use Change	20,368.00			
Yield Taxes	14.92			
Excavation Tax/Gravel Tax				
Capital Cost Recovery	10,217.00			
Cherry Valley Betterment	519.00			
Lockes Hill Betterment	494.00			
Interest	14.19			
Costs before Lien				
Other Charges - Village Betterment -V	700.00			
TOTAL CREDITS	\$26,689,524.41	\$1,737,768.50	\$3,769.86	\$6,438.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of:

Gilford

Period:

01/01/07 - 12/31/07

DEBITS

	Last Year's Levy 2006	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2005	2004	2003-Prior
Unredeemed Tax Liens		\$167,464.75	\$79,948.21	\$4,432.09
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	370,135.75			
Interest & Costs Collected (AFTER LIEN EXECUTION)	7,800.30	12,791.21	22,098.24	382.14
TOTAL DEBITS	\$377,936.05	\$180,255.96	\$102,046.45	\$4,814.23

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER:	Last Year's Levy 2006	PRIOR LEVIES		
		2005	2004	2003
Redemptions	\$171,109.50	\$94,432.11	\$61,604.78	\$461.55
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	7,800.30	12,791.21	22,098.24	382.14
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens		\$585.67	\$1,044.11	\$156.77
Liens Deeded to Municipality	\$10,154.81	\$10,313.43	\$8,443.62	\$13.24
Unredeemed Liens Balance 12/31/2006	\$188,871.44	\$62,133.54	\$8,855.70	\$3,800.53
Abatement Refunds				
TOTAL CREDITS	\$377,936.05	\$180,255.96	\$102,046.45	\$4,814.23

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ?

YES

Respectfully submitted,
 TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE: Denise A. Morrisette

Date: 2/7/2008

**TOWN OF GILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF TOWN CLERK
SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2007**

General Revenues Received:

10,079	Motor Vehicle Permits Issued	\$1,494,593.08
1491	Dog Licenses Issued	\$10,159.00
	Boat Permit Fees & Reports	\$94,312.44
	E-Reg Payable	\$259.00
955	Copies of Record	\$854.55
13	Bad Check Penalties Collected	\$325.00
0	Town Pins	\$0.00
100	Pistol Permits	\$1,000.00
322	Fines	\$13,767.00
723	Beach Admissions	\$1,446.00
3	Glendale Commercial Pass	\$3,000.00
132	Glendale Guest Passes	\$3,300.00
4	Voter Checklists	\$85.00
24	Postage Reimbursement	\$35.65
216	Miscellaneous Fees	\$317.68
	Over/Under Adjustment Acct.	\$4.29
Total General Revenues:		\$1,623,458.69

Town Clerk Fees Remitted to the Town:

1820	Titles Processed	\$3,640.00
4	UCC Statements	\$3,090.00
43	Marriage Licenses	\$1,935.00
214	Birth, Death & Marriage Certificates Issued	\$2,292.00
10,028	Municipal Agent Fees	\$24,937.75
330	Mail-In Registration Fees	\$507.15
44	Wetlands Applications	\$704.00
7	Filing Fees	\$7.00
Total Town Clerk Fees Remitted:		\$37,112.90

TOTAL REMITTED TO TREASURER:	<u>\$1,660,571.59</u>
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Respectfully Submitted,

Denise A. Morrisette, NHCTC
Town Clerk - Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT
Fiscal Year End December 31, 2007

General Fund:

Cash on hand 1/1/2007	7,861,203
Total Receipts	50,407,521
Less Selectmen's orders paid	<u>48,834,228</u>
Cash on hand 12/31/2007	<u><u>\$9,434,496</u></u>

Conservation Fund:

Cash on hand 1/1/2007	295,512.12
Total Receipts	62,311.32
Less Selectmen's orders paid	<u>978.19</u>
Cash on hand 12/31/2007	<u><u>\$356,845.25</u></u>

Sewer Capital Cost Fund:

Cash on hand 1/1/2007	403,368.78
Total Receipts	10,213.62
Less Selectmen's orders paid	<u>300,000.00</u>
Cash on hand 12/31/2007	<u><u>\$113,582.40</u></u>

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GILFORD ON DECEMBER 31, 2007

Created	Name of Trust Fund	Invested	Principal	Cash Gains Or (Losses)	New Trusts	Withdrawals	Principal Balance	Income Balance 2007	Income 2007	Fees Paid During Year	Expended 2007	Income Balance 2007	Total Balance 2007
Common Trust Fund Total		Laconia Savings	\$156,968.97	\$9,640.66	\$4,250.00	\$0.00	\$170,859.63	\$8,859.77	\$8,664.63	\$1,765.99	\$0.00	\$13,758.30	\$184,617.84
1968	A.B. Lincoln - Care of Lincoln Park	Laconia Savings	\$1,253.95	\$77.01			\$1,330.97	\$1,947.11	\$3.24	\$14.11		\$1,986.25	\$3,317.21
1968	Julia Ladd - Worthy Poor	Laconia Savings	\$2,222.69	\$136.51			\$2,359.20	\$2,227.88	\$94.37	\$25.01		\$2,297.24	\$4,656.44
1969	Theodore & Elliot Remick - Library	Laconia Savings	\$5,201.40	\$319.46			\$5,520.86	\$668.91	\$220.84	\$68.52		\$1,031.23	\$6,552.08
1966	Samuel & Winifred Smith - Library	Laconia Savings	\$10,107.30	\$620.77	\$1,135.00		\$11,863.06	\$927.33	\$428.13	\$113.71		\$1,242.74	\$13,105.81
1991	Kimball Castle - Wildlife	Laconia Savings	\$163,282.87	\$10,028.45	\$3,025.94		\$176,337.25	\$26,316.41	\$6,932.60	\$1,837.02	\$217.62	\$31,194.37	\$207,531.62
1996	Daniel P. Rogers - Conservation	Laconia Savings	\$16,500.77	\$1,013.44			\$17,514.21	\$3,097.27	\$700.56	\$185.04		\$3,612.21	\$21,126.42
Total Miscellaneous Trust Funds		Laconia Savings	\$198,968.97	\$12,195.64	\$4,160.94	\$0.00	\$214,925.55	\$35,394.90	\$8,430.76	\$2,234.01	\$217.62	\$41,364.04	\$256,289.59
TOTAL TRUST FUNDS			\$355,537.94	\$21,836.30	\$8,410.94	\$0.00	\$385,785.18	\$44,244.67	\$15,065.29	\$4,000.00	\$217.62	\$55,122.34	\$440,807.43
1989	Fire Equipment	Laconia Savings	\$84,944.33			\$84,944.33	\$0.00	\$41,385.71	\$6,088.48			\$12,418.52	\$12,418.52
1990	Highway Equipment	Laconia Savings	\$18,866.47		\$30,000.00		\$48,866.47	\$51,044.57	\$3,734.11			\$54,778.68	\$103,615.15
2000	Gilford Library	Laconia Savings	\$3,688.05				\$3,688.05	\$6,211.80	\$478.88			\$6,690.68	\$10,378.73
2000	Business Park	Laconia Savings	\$0.00				\$0.00	\$6,922.36	\$334.84			\$7,257.20	\$7,257.20
2001	Special Education	Laconia Savings	\$150,000.00				\$150,000.00	\$18,897.94	\$8,169.94			\$27,067.88	\$177,067.88
2006	Gunstock Pump Station & Component	Laconia Savings	\$34,823.00		\$15,000.00		\$49,823.00	\$238.19	\$1,702.87			\$1,941.16	\$51,764.16
2006	Ambulance Replacement Fund	Laconia Savings	\$72,066.79		\$22,500.00		\$94,566.79	\$493.15	\$3,521.79			\$4,014.94	\$98,611.73
2006	Bridge Replacement Fund	Laconia Savings	\$60,000.00		\$50,000.00		\$110,000.00	\$255.70	\$5,285.29			\$5,540.99	\$115,540.99
2007	Building Repair Fund	Laconia Savings	\$271,600.00		\$271,600.00	\$298,712.42	\$244,487.58	\$5,925.27	\$19,633.72			\$25,558.99	\$270,046.57
2007	Compensation Absences Fund	Laconia Savings	\$0.00		\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$59.96			\$59.96	\$5,059.96
2007	Police Station Fund	Laconia Savings	\$0.00		\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$119.95			\$119.95	\$10,119.95
Total Capital Reserve Funds			\$886,018.64		\$454,100.00	\$424,724.25	\$725,394.39	\$131,374.89	\$49,729.67	\$0.00	\$35,055.67	\$146,048.69	\$871,443.08



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Gilford
Gilford, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Gilford as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

The government-wide statement of net assets does not include any of the Town's capital assets nor the accumulated depreciation on those assets; and the government-wide statement of activities does not include depreciation expense related to those assets. These amounts have not been determined. Therefore, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above do not present fairly the financial position of the governmental activities of the Town of Gilford at December 31, 2006, and the changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Gilford, as of December 31, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 2, as of January 1, 2006, the Town has implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*.

The budgetary comparison information is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The Town of Gilford has not presented a management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have determined it necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Gilford's basic financial statements. The combining and individual fund schedules are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. They have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

August 30, 2007

Plodzik & Sanderson
Professional Association

EXHIBIT C-1
TOWN OF GILFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
December 31, 2006

	General	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,236,218	\$ 877,469	\$ 8,113,687
Investments	621,480	1,362,420	1,983,900
Receivables, net of allowances for uncollectible:			
Taxes	1,673,998	-	1,673,998
Accounts	41,448	140,514	181,962
Special assessments	-	60,524	60,524
Intergovernmental	218,799	-	218,799
Interfund receivable	349,395	220,946	570,341
Total assets	<u>\$ 10,141,338</u>	<u>\$ 2,661,873</u>	<u>\$ 12,803,211</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	\$ 255,488	\$ -	\$ 255,488
Intergovernmental payable	5,274,119	-	5,274,119
Interfund payable	10,919	559,422	570,341
Deferred revenue	27,467	60,524	87,991
Total liabilities	<u>5,567,993</u>	<u>619,946</u>	<u>6,187,939</u>
Fund balances:			
Reserved for encumbrances	41,983	-	41,983
Reserved for endowments	-	185,763	185,763
Reserved for special purposes	-	781,853	781,853
Unreserved, undesignated, reported in:			
General fund	4,531,362	-	4,531,362
Special revenue funds	-	1,074,311	1,074,311
Total fund balances	<u>4,573,345</u>	<u>2,041,927</u>	<u>6,615,272</u>
Total liabilities and fund balances	<u>\$ 10,141,338</u>	<u>\$ 2,661,873</u>	<u>\$ 12,803,211</u>

The notes to the basic financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT
December 31, 2006

Annual Maturities of Outstanding Bonds and Long Term Notes:

	Lakes Business Park 2004-2013 Original Bond \$1,464,682.00	Municipal Building 1987-2007 Original Bond \$1,523,591.00	Cherry Valley Sewer Extension 1999-2017 Original Bond \$128,978.24	State Revolving Loan Fund - Sewer 2003-2013 Original Loan \$2,295,649.88	Additional Sewer Construction 2005-2007 Original Loan \$470,206
2007	146,468.20	75,000.00	6,788.33	229,546.99	235,103.00
2008	146,468.20		6,788.33	229,546.99	
2009	146,468.20		6,788.33	229,546.99	
2010	146,468.20		6,788.33	229,546.99	
2011	146,468.20		6,788.33	229,546.99	
2012	146,468.20		6,788.33	229,546.99	
2013	146,468.20		6,788.33	229,707.97	
2014			6,788.33		
2015			6,788.33		
2016			6,788.33		
2017			6,788.33		
2018					
2019					
	\$1,025,277.40	\$75,000.00	\$74,671.63	1,606,989.91	235,103.00

Town Owned Property - 2007

<u>Map/Lot</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Value</u>
203-152.000	Elderberry Dr		400
203-269.000	36 Stone Rd	Stonewall Park	30,600
204-003.000	Gilford Ave		222,700
212-008.000	6 David Lewis Rd		48,400
215-025.000	150 Kimball Rd	Municipal Facility	312,000
223-417.000	40 Varney Point Rd	Town Beach	4,031,100
223-500.000	Varney Point Rd		4,000
223-503.000	4 Casey Rd		21,700
224-018.000	263 Intervale Rd	School District	452,200
226-030.100	Schoolhouse Hill Rd		200
226-048.000	174 Potter Hill Rd		195,200
226-048.100	109 Cherry Valley Rd		119,600
226-054.000	47 Cherry Valley Rd	Town Offices	3,180,300
226-055.000	2 Belknap Mt Rd	Library	410,700
227-013.000	Alvah Wilson Rd	School District	170,000
227-116.000	15 Goodwin Rd		72,800
227-124.000	Alvah Wilson Rd	School District	71,800
227-125.000	Alvah Wilson Rd	School District	113,000
227-126.000	27 Belknap Mt Rd		238,500
227-127.000		High School	11,338,900
227-132.000	76 Belknap Mt Rd	Elementary School	5,118,300
228-010.000	Saltmarsh Pond Rd		17,200
229-031.000	Sherwood Forest Dr	Common Green Area	3,200
232-002.000	Durrell Mt Rd	Municipal Facility	274,200
234-001.000	Durrell Mt Rd	Municipal Facility	516,500
240-007.000	Orchard Dr		4,000
240-050.000	26 Foxglove Rd		64,100
242-183.000	33 Dock Rd	Glendale Docks	590,300
242-197.000	Glendale Place	Parking lot	318,400
242-212.000	Belknap Point Rd	Lincoln Park	538,500
242-369.000	Lake Shore Rd		1,400
242-371.100	11 Lockes Hill Rd		1,328,200
245-049.000	9 Camp Island		151,100
252-050.000	Lake Shore Rd		74,200
252-162.000	86 Sagamore Rd		26,000
252-191.000	139 Tate Rd		69,100
253-049.000	30 Greenleaf Trail		14,100
253-328.000	62 River Rd		40,300
258-002.000	Round Pond		256,600
267-002.000	2652 Lakeshore Rd		294,200
267-257.000	2679 Lake Shore Rd		1,800
272-005.000	Clough Rd		29,300

226-078.001	43 Potter Hill Rd		90,200
223-413.002	31 Harris Shore Rd	Conservation Comm	109,700
223-413.003	39 Harris Shore Rd	Conservation Comm	55,900
236-020.000	560 Belknap Mt Rd	Conservation Comm	103,400
237-002.000	Belknap Point Rd	Conservation Comm	315,600
204-003.001	277 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	114,500
204-003.002	Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	114,800
204-003.003	295 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	111,900
204-003.004	315 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	111,600
204-003.005	333 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	123,300
204-003.006	345 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	124,400
204-003.007	351 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	119,500
204-003.008	359 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	111,600
204-003.009	369 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	115,000
204-003.010	391 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	263,100
204-003.012	344 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	114,900
204-003.013	332 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	110,000
204-003.014	312 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	116,300
204-003.017	288 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	105,600
204-003.018	282 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	115,600
204-003.019	270 Hounsell Ave	Lakes Business Park	113,100
201-034.000	Lake Shore Rd		200
201-035.000	Lake Shore Rd		500
204-001.000	Gilford Ave		100
204-016.000	Laconia Line		200
204-017.000	Laconia Line		200
205-001.100	Off Rt. 11		100
205-001.200	Off Rt. 11		100
205-003.000	Off Rt. 11		200
205-002.200	Off Rt. 11		200
209-009.000	Cotton Hill Rd		7,600
210-007.010	Liberty Hill Rd		400
213-009.000	Liscomb Circle		1,100
213-044.000	Old Lakeshore Rd		80,300
216-105.000	Weirs Rd		64,700
223-532.000	Davis Rd		300
225-028.000	Cherry Valley Rd		2,900
227-008.100	Knollwood Dr		3,600
227-008.300	Knollwood Dr		2,600
227-058.000	Timber Lane		70,100
227-066.000	Timber Lane		49,100
227-094.000	Timber Lane		500
227-103.000	Timber Lane		8,200
227-113.000	Goodwin Rd		1,200
228-005.000	Hoyt Rd		2,200

228-016.110	Hoyt Rd	36,200
228-079.000	Hoyt Rd	2,900
229-037.000	Irish Setter Lane	9,700
230.015.000	Gilford Glen Rd	6,300
263-040.000	Off Grant Rd	1,300
263-057.000	Valley Dr	15,500
263-062.000	Valley Dr	17,700
263-066.000	Valley Dr	4,000
266-106.000	Lake Shore Rd	800
266-121.000	Riley Rd	700
267-260.000	Lake Shore Rd	200
271-009.000	Off Glidden Rd	400
227-080.000	16 Sprucewood Dr	61,100
227-132.001	Belknap Mtn. Rd	1,704,500

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-- GILFORD --

Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
BARTON, JASON D	GILFORD, NH	PETERS, DELIA G	GILFORD, NH	LACONIA	GILFORD	01/20/2007
FRECHETTE, ROLAND H	GILFORD, NH	EICHSTAEDT, BELINDA L	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	TILTON	02/01/2007
HEWITT, DOUGLAS C	GILFORD, NH	BUCCIARELLI, JULIE A	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	MEREDITH	03/15/2007
OUELLETTE, ALAN M	GILFORD, NH	MOONEY, SUSAN M	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	03/17/2007
ABBOTT, GARY F	GILFORD, NH	WILSON, DEBORAH J	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	04/07/2007
BALINT, PETER B	GILFORD, NH	PADUREAN, ANDREEA E	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	MEREDITH	04/14/2007
DECAMP, ROBERT	GILFORD, NH	BUTTINGER, STACIE L	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	MEREDITH	04/28/2007
PESQUERA, GLEN A	MANCHESTER, NH	RUGGLES, JOAN B	GILFORD, NH	MANCHESTER	MANCHESTER	05/19/2007
SMITH, BRENT B	GILFORD, NH	OURA, TANYA M	SALEM, NH	MANCHESTER	HENNIKER	05/19/2007
ROCKWELL, KARL G	DERRY, NH	BURTT, NOEL P	GILFORD, NH	WOLFEBORO	WOLFEBORO	05/26/2007
GUINES, CORY M	GILFORD, NH	GENRE, HANNAH J	GILFORD, NH	MOULTONBOROUGH	MOULTONBOROUGH	05/26/2007
SEDGLEY, ROBERT E	LACONIA, NH	ALDRICH, SARAH K	GILFORD, NH	LACONIA	GILFORD	05/26/2007
SPEER, KEVIN J	GILFORD, NH	LESSARD, LYNN M	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	05/28/2007
SCANNELL, JOHN	GILFORD, NH	RUSSO, JOAN	STOW, MA	GILFORD	MEREDITH	06/03/2007
TWOMBLY, JAMES R	GILFORD, NH	BERG, SUZANN	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	LACONIA	06/16/2007
HENDERSON, SCOTT R	GILFORD, NH	BOVERI, JENNIFER L	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	06/23/2007
BARON, KEVIN M	GILFORD, NH	PARADISE, LAUREN M	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	06/24/2007
BONAN, JOSEPH V	GILFORD, NH	GOODWIN, DEBORAH A	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	06/30/2007
LEMIEUX, JOSEPH T	GILFORD, NH	LANGLOIS, LORI A	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	07/07/2007
SWIFT, MICHAEL B	GILFORD, NH	SKORA, PATRICIA A	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	07/12/2007
DION, DAVID M	GILFORD, NH	FOURNIER, HEIDI G	GILFORD, NH	LACONIA	SANBORN	07/21/2007
WORTH, DAVID L	GILFORD, NH	ROCK, NATALIA M	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	LACONIA	08/09/2007
BOISVERT, ROGER E	GILFORD, NH	PERKINS, ANTOINETTE L	GILFORD, NH	LACONIA	LACONIA	08/16/2007
WEEKS, ROGER M	GILFORD, NH	SLEEPER, MARSHA	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	08/18/2007
WILLIAMS, JONATHAN D	TILTON, NH	KINSLEY, JESSICA R	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	TILTON	08/18/2007
DALEY, RICHARD J	MEREDITH, NH	PINEAU, REBECCA L	GILFORD, NH	LACONIA	GILFORD	08/19/2007
SOUTHWORTH, RYAN T	GILFORD, NH	DOMIN, JOY	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	WHITEFIELD	08/25/2007
STUTZMAN, JOSHUA C	GILFORD, NH	LEMOUX, ANGELA H	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	BELMONT	08/25/2007
OLLIVIERA, ROBERT K	CONCORD, NH	BAKER, STEPHANIE L	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	LACONIA	09/01/2007
FARRINGTON, BRUCE A	GILFORD, NH	FARRINGTON, LINDA L	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	09/08/2007
OTTESEN, BRYAN A	GILFORD, NH	YOUNG, KAREN A	GILFORD, NH	MEREDITH	MEREDITH	09/21/2007
DEFORGE, EDWARD H	GILFORD, NH	POURDE, LINDA A	LACONIA, NH	LACONIA	LAKEPORT	10/06/2007
CARROLL, COREY R	GILFORD, NH	BILODEAU, SAMANTHA R	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	10/06/2007
PAQUET, BRIAN K	GILFORD, NH	SINCLAIR, CAROLYN Y	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	10/13/2007
TREFREY, JASON G	GILFORD, NH	MILES, LISA M	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	10/13/2007
BUTLER, FREDERICK J	GILFORD, NH	MULGREW, KATHLEEN J	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	10/21/2007

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Groom's Name	Groom's Residence	Bride's Name	Bride's Residence	Town of Issuance	Place of Marriage	Date of Marriage
LARRABEE, PETER E	GILFORD, NH	GELINAS, DARLENE E	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	LOUDON	10/26/2007
BLAINE, WILLIAM H	HAMPSTEAD, NH	MULLIGAN, ELLEN U	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	GILFORD	11/24/2007
HYNES, DANIEL E	GILFORD, NH	BROWN, DOROTHY E	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	ATKINSON	11/24/2007
CADRETTIE, RITCHIE A	GILFORD, NH	RYAN, DONNA M	GILFORD, NH	GILFORD	LACONIA	12/24/2007
Total number of records 40						

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Child's Name	Date Of Birth	Place Of Birth	Father's Name	Mother's Name
LANGLITZ, MARK BENJAMIN	01/02/2007	LACONIA, NH	LANGLITZ, MARK	MARTINEAU, PAMELA
GANDINI, KYLE FREDERICK	01/09/2007	LACONIA, NH	GANDINI, KEITH	GANDINI, GRETCHEN
DAVIGNON, LEAH KATHERINE	01/09/2007	LACONIA, NH	DAVIGNON, RANDY	DAVIGNON, TRACY
MCMAHON, ELIAS MATTHEW	01/29/2007	LACONIA, NH		MCMAHON, ASHLEY
O'BRIEN, KAITLYN BERNADETTE	01/31/2007	LACONIA, NH	O'BRIEN, TIMOTHY	O'BRIEN, KRISTIN
MITCHELL, HARPER NOVALEE	02/06/2007	CONCORD, NH	MITCHELL, JAMES	LITTLE, JENNIFER
ELLINGSON, ETHAN JEFFREY	02/06/2007	LACONIA, NH	ELLINGSON, JASON	ELLINGSON, CAROLYN
WEIN, NEDEAU, NEVAEH MAY	02/12/2007	LACONIA, NH	WEIN, CANNON	NEDEAU, AMANDA
CHAMPAGNE, AUSTIN NICHOLAS	02/18/2007	LACONIA, NH	CHAMPAGNE, NICHOLAS	DELUCCA, ERICA
HASSLER, JANELLE JOLIE	02/23/2007	CONCORD, NH	HASSLER, RICHARD	ADAMS, JOLIE
LAGARDE, JOSEPH PETER	03/05/2007	GILFORD, NH	LAGARDE, JOSEPH	SALESKY, BRANDY
HERSEY, BRIAN TYLOR	03/05/2007	LACONIA, NH	HERSEY, JASON	HERSEY, YADIRA
FARLEY, OWEN JAMES	03/23/2007	LEBANON, NH	FARLEY, DANA	FARLEY, ANN
THOMPSON, JOHN BRADLEY	03/25/2007	ROCHESTER, NH	THOMPSON, JESSE	THOMPSON, ALISON
MCGREEVY, CARSON NEIL	04/19/2007	LACONIA, NH	MCGREEVY, DAVID	MCGREEVY, JENNIFER
SWORMSTEDT, SOFIA JENNINGS	04/25/2007	LACONIA, NH	SWORMSTEDT, JAMES	SWORMSTEDT, RANDY
KEENAN, OLIVIA RYAN	04/27/2007	LACONIA, NH	KEENAN, KORY	KEENAN, KELLY
NORMANDIN, ADDISON DENISE	05/04/2007	CONCORD, NH	NORMANDIN, MICHAEL	NORMANDIN, DENISE
MURPHY, BRYSON MICHAEL	05/09/2007	LEBANON, NH	MURPHY, THOMAS	MURPHY, KATIE
CASSIANO, DEVON JONAH	05/25/2007	LACONIA, NH	CASSIANO, NOEL	CASSIANO, HOLLY
NICHOLS, LILLY GRACE	05/30/2007	LACONIA, NH	NICHOLS, DANIEL	SAFFORD, JENNIFER
RIOS, JACK ARMANDO	06/06/2007	LACONIA, NH	RIOS, JORGE	BERGERON, BRIANNA
SAWYER, ALANA MARIE	06/07/2007	DOVER, NH	SAWYER, JAMES	SAWYER, JENNIFER
BLACKY, CALIA MARCELLA	06/22/2007	CONCORD, NH	BLACKY, TIMOTHY	LAFOND, MELANY
GREEN, BRENT MATTHEW	06/24/2007	LACONIA, NH		GREEN, KIMBERLY
ROWLEY, DESTINY DIAMOND	07/16/2007	LACONIA, NH		ROWLEY, ANGELA
BIALECKI, LOGAN WILLIAM	07/17/2007	LACONIA, NH	BIALECKI, WILLIAM	BIALECKI, COLLEEN
VALENTINE, JOSIAH TIMOTHY	07/22/2007	LACONIA, NH	VALENTINE, TIMOTHY	VALENTINE, JENNIFER
FULMER, ROBERT JOSEPH	07/25/2007	LACONIA, NH	FULMER, ROBERT	FULMER, MARY
QUIMBY, SYDIE CRYSTAL	09/03/2007	LACONIA, NH	QUIMBY, DANIEL	ELLIS, KATIE
MANON-MARQUIS, NEHEMIAH	09/16/2007	LACONIA, NH	MANON, CLAUDIO	MARQUIS, KAITLYN
HEISE, MORGAN ALEXIS	09/17/2007	LACONIA, NH	HEISE, JOHN	HEISE, CHRISTINE
FALLON, KATARINA	09/20/2007	LACONIA, NH	FALLON, EDWARD	FALLON, ANNA
KENNEL, PRESTON ALAN	09/25/2007	LACONIA, NH	KENNEL, ALAN	KENNEL, MELISSA
HOLMES, CONNOR JOSEPH	10/02/2007	CONCORD, NH	HOLMES, ETHAN	HOLMES, CRYSTAL
JONES, CAPE DANIELLE	10/04/2007	EXETER, NH	JONES, DANIEL	JONES, SANDRA
VOIVOD, DECLAN FREDERICK	10/05/2007	LACONIA, NH	VOIVOD, ALLEN	VOIVOD, LANI

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Child's Name	Date Of Birth	Place Of Birth	Father's Name	Mother's Name
BENWELL,JAMES HENRY	10/05/2007	LACONIA,NH	BENWELL,KEVIN	HILL,AMBER
FISHER,ADRIANA CATHERINE	10/08/2007	LACONIA,NH	FISHER,ADAM	FISHER,JULIA
JOHNSON,SAMANTHA LEIGH	10/09/2007	LACONIA,NH	JOHNSON,ERIC	JOHNSON,DIANA
POIRE,ELLA MARIE	10/11/2007	LACONIA,NH		MOULTON,MARIA
ELLIS,SEAN MICHAEL	11/02/2007	LACONIA,NH	ELLIS,RICHARD	ELLIS,LORENE
SMITH,DREW JOSEPH	11/13/2007	LACONIA,NH	SMITH,MARK	SMITH,ERICA
THURSTON,AVA GRACE	11/14/2007	CONCORD,NH	THURSTON,ALEXANDER	THURSTON,HILARY
MOSER,LILY CATHERINE	12/07/2007	CONCORD,NH	MOSER,LINK	MOSER,ELIZABETH
LAMBERT,BRAYDEN MICHAEL CHARLES	12/09/2007	WOLFEBORO,NH		LAMBERT,PAMELA
ARENSTAM,ANYA EVE	12/12/2007	LEBANON,NH	ARENSTAM,BRIAN	ARENSTAM,KATHLEEN
ARENSTAM,ZACHARY AIDEN	12/12/2007	LEBANON,NH	ARENSTAM,BRIAN	ARENSTAM,KATHLEEN
SARGENT,HAILEY KATHERINE	12/17/2007	LACONIA,NH	SARGENT,JEFFREY	LABRECQUE,PAULA
GOAD,IZABELLA MARIE	12/19/2007	LACONIA,NH	GOAD,ANDREW	GOAD,SAMANTHA
BEAN,HAILEY ELISABETH	12/21/2007	LACONIA,NH	BEAN,CASEY	BEAN,MELISSA
BEAN,HAYDEN GRACE	12/26/2007	CONCORD,NH	BEAN,TOBEY	VACHON,ROBYN

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Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
PAGE, MARY ANN	01/08/2007	GILFORD	DION, GERARD	DEMERS, ROSE	N
CYR, RICHARD	01/13/2007	LACONIA	CYR, ROGER	STOKES, GERTRUDE	N
COUILLARD, DOROTHY	01/21/2007	GILFORD	UNKNOWN, UNKNOWN	BOGART, GERMAINE	N
MUEHLKE, MARJORIE	01/29/2007	MEREDITH	MUEHLKE, JOHN	VAUGHAN, MARCELIA	N
VEAZEY, WILLIAM	02/02/2007	LACONIA	VEAZEY, ALLEN	SUTTIE, NINA	Y
CRUTCHFIELD, BONNIE	02/08/2007	LEBANON	HALE, KENNETH	WIDEMAN, GLADYS	N
CRAM SR, MILTON	02/20/2007	GILFORD	CRAM, OSCAR	SWEET, LETTIE	Y
CARLSON, RICHARD	02/20/2007	LACONIA	CARLSON, RICHARD	STEINLEHNER, JENNIE	Y
BROWN, DEANE	02/21/2007	CONCORD	BROWN, EDWIN	REED, KATIE	N
TKACH, ANDREW	03/01/2007	GILFORD	TKACH, ANDREW	WHITAKER, ELDENE	Y
TUSON, DONALD	03/07/2007	LACONIA	TUSON, ALBERT	GILBERT, WINNEFRED	Y
CHIARELLO, PAULINE	03/08/2007	GILFORD	SHUGRUE, FRANK	EDWARDS, LUCY	N
GILBERT, EUGENE	04/12/2007	LACONIA	GILBERT, ALFRED	BEAUDOIN, ARTHEMISE	N
ALDRICH, ROBERT	04/12/2007	LACONIA	ALDRICH, ROBERT	ROBERTS, RACHEL	N
KIRK, JANICE	04/20/2007	GILFORD	KILMER, JOHN	SMITH, ETHEL	N
KOSOWICZ, SUZANNE	05/08/2007	LACONIA	HARKINSON, STEWART	DACEY, JOAN	N
DALTON, TERENCE	05/12/2007	GILFORD	DALTON, THOMAS	BRENNEN, ANNASTASIA	Y
STOKES, EARL	05/15/2007	LACONIA	STOKES, JOSEPH	JACQUES, ROSE	Y

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Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
FERRARO, DOROTHY	05/25/2007	LACONIA	STINSON, BERT	HAPGOOD, GERTRUDE	N
DOW, CYNTHIA	05/28/2007	LACONIA	DOW, HARRY	CARR, MARIE	N
DOLLOFF, DARLENE	06/08/2007	GILFORD	LADD, MAURICE	MARTEL, BEATRICE	N
COSKREN, THOMAS	06/09/2007	LACONIA	COSKREN, AUGUSTINE	CRONIN, THERESA	Y
GOULD, JENNIFER	08/10/2007	LACONIA	GOULD, KURT	THOMPSON, PATRICIA	N
SCHAEFER, JOHN	08/11/2007	LACONIA	SCHAEFER, LOUIS	GRIFFIN, M	Y
MACKAY, DORIS	08/21/2007	GILFORD	DRAKE, EUGENE	BENNETT, WINNIE	N
SMITH JR, CHESTER	06/27/2007	GILFORD	SMITH SR, CHESTER	PAYNE, ELIZABETH	Y
JOHNSON, WALTER	07/14/2007	LEBANON	JOHNSON, WALTER	SULLIVAN, MAE	N
MOULTON, CLAYTON	07/16/2007	GILFORD	MOULTON, GEORGE	NICKLES, HAZEL	Y
ADAMS, REGINALD	07/17/2007	GILFORD	ADAMS, HOMER	BOWLES, BEATRICE	Y
CLARK, RITA	07/18/2007	LACONIA	LACHANCE, JOSEPH	LAUZIER, MARGUERITE	N
SMITH, MILDRED	07/19/2007	LACONIA	ALLEN, DAVID	WATERS, LILLIAM	N
CLOUGH, JULIE	07/24/2007	GILFORD	CLOUGH, KENNETH	NORTHROP, DEBORAH	N
DION, DAVID	07/27/2007	GILFORD	DION, GENE	MORGAN, LUCILLE	Y
BARTLETT, WAYNE	08/03/2007	GILFORD	BARTLETT, FRANK	BRAINARD, LUCY	Y
WRIGHT, GLENN	08/06/2007	GILFORD	HIGHT, ARTHUR	MANION, SHIRLEY	N
GREENE, MARY	08/09/2007	GILFORD	LYNCH, DENISE	LEHEY, ELIENE	N

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--GILFORD, NH --

Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
DAVIS, NATALIE	08/10/2007	MEREDITH	HADDOCK, JOSEPH	BRADLEY, AGNES	N
ROUHAN SR, JAMES	08/10/2007	LACONIA	ROUHAN, JAMES	SIMPSON, ILMA	N
MARTIN, BESSIE	08/19/2007	GILFORD	HICKEY, NORMAN	CASSAVAUGH, IDELLA	N
HARRISON, NORMA	08/22/2007	LACONIA	CROOKER, WALTER	MACPHERSON, PEARL	N
DAL PAN, JUDITH	08/28/2007	LACONIA	BATES, GEORGE	MATLACK, HANNAH	N
MCCORMICK, ROBERT	08/30/2007	LACONIA	MCCORMICK, JOHN	KELLEY, IRENE	Y
HARTSHORN, SOPHIE	09/28/2007	GILFORD	FASSEL, BERNARD	LANCRAFT, ROSA	N
KENNEDY, JOHN	10/04/2007	LACONIA	KENNEDY, JOHN	SHERIDAN, SADIE	N
ALLEN, THOMAS	10/05/2007	LACONIA	ALLEN, FRANK	VANDERGRIFF, FRANCES	Y
LABRANCHE, MARIE	10/05/2007	LACONIA	SANBORN, NORTON	CAMERON, ALMA	N
BUKOWSKI, JOSEPH	10/13/2007	FRANKLIN	BUKOWSKI, JOHN	SZAWEL, ANNA	Y
KELLER, SETH	10/19/2007	LACONIA	KELLER, OTTO	PITMAN, CLARA	Y
NORTON SR, WILLIAM	10/20/2007	LACONIA	NORTON, LESLIE	LUNT, MARJORIE	Y
LEACH SR, EUGENE	10/30/2007	LACONIA	LEACH, VICTOR	LOWE, HORTENCE	N
RICHARDS, SHANNON	11/02/2007	LEBANON	RICHARDS, WILLIAM	SIWEK, SHEILA	N
DEFORGE SR, EDWARD	11/03/2007	LACONIA	DEFORGE, HAROLD	WILKINSON, IRMA	Y
KIMBALL, KENNETH	11/07/2007	LACONIA	KIMBALL, GEORGE	DANIELLS, ANNIE	N
HURT, VIRGINIA	11/18/2007	LACONIA	FORBES, GEORGE	GOULD, FLORA	N

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Decedent's Name	Death Date	Death Place	Father's Name	Mother's Maiden Name	Military
WERNIG, JUDITH	11/26/2007	GILFORD	COLEMAN, ALFRED	DALY, ALICE	N
Total number of records 55					

Annual Report

Of the

School District

of the town of

GILFORD

New Hampshire

for the year ending

June 30, 2007

OFFICERS OF THE GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

Moderator

John Cameron

Clerk

Kimberly Varricchio

Treasurer

Paul Simoneau

Auditors

Plodzik, & Sanderson

SCHOOL BOARD

Susan Allen, Chairperson	Term Expires 2009
Margo Weeks, Vice Chairperson	Term Expires 2010
Kurt Webber, Clerk	Term Expires 2009
Paul Blandford	Term Expires 2008
Derek Tomlinson	Term Expires 2010

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Paul DeMinico

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR BUSINESS SERVICES

Scott Isabelle

Regular meetings of the School Board

First Monday of Each Month

6:00 P.M. - Gilford Elementary School

**GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT DELIBERATIVE SESSION
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2007 AT 7:00 PM
GILFORD HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Gilford in the County of Belknap, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote on district affairs, gathered on Thursday, February 8, 2007 to deliberate on district affairs, at 7:00 p.m., in the Gilford High School Auditorium.

The School District Moderator, John Cameron, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Moderator introduced the officers of the School District and the Supervisory Union personnel attending the meeting.

The ground rules for the meeting were reviewed with those gathered. It was noted that this meeting is the “Deliberative Session” that is required before the “Official Ballot” voting in March 2007. All items may be discussed and amended, but no final action or final vote will be taken. The final vote and action will occur, using the Official Ballot, on March 13, 2007.

Linda Wright made a motion to start with Article VI as the students who were there to speak to the article needed to get home. The motion was seconded by Margo Weeks.

ARTICLE VI Citizen Petition – Grade 7 Sidewalk Project

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty Three Dollars (\$168,383) to fund Phase IV of the Grade 7 Sidewalk Project to construct sidewalks along Alvah Wilson Road. One Hundred Thirty Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Seven Dollars (\$134,707) to be raised and received from the State of New Hampshire Department of Transportation “Transportation Enhancement Fund” and the balance of Thirty Three Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Six Dollars (\$33, 676) is to come from general taxation. **(Submitted by Petition)**

Paul Blandford made a motion to move the article. Sue Allen seconded the motion.

Several students spoke to the article. There was no discussion.

The article will appear on the ballot as proposed.

ARTICLE I Election of Officers (March 13th only)

To choose the following school district officers:

School District Moderator	1-Year Term
School District Clerk	1-Year Term
School District Treasurer	1-Year Term
School Board Member	3-Year Term
School Board Member	3-Year Term

No discussion was had on Article I.

ARTICLE II General Budget Funds

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Twenty Two Million, Six Hundred and Eleven Thousand, Seven Hundred and Thirty Five (\$22,611,735). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Twenty Two Million, Five Hundred and Thirty Eight Thousand, Eight Hundred Ninety Four Dollars, (\$22,538,894), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Gilford School District, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Note: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.

Dick Hickok made the motion to move Article II. Skip Murphy seconded the motion.

Derek Tomlinson stated that the school board did not recommend this article due to the deduction of the funding for the football program and the Support Staff insurance.

Dick Hickok stated that the Budget Committee recommended this article.

Lou Athanas made a motion to Article II General Funds Budget.

Motion to amend Article II to add Thirty Six Thousand, One Hundred and Five Dollars (\$36,105.00) to the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant.

The amended Article II will read:

“To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Twenty Two Million, Six Hundred and Forty Seven Thousand, Eight Hundred and Forty Dollars (\$22, 647,840). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Twenty Two Million, Five Hundred and Thirty Eight Thousand, Eight Hundred Ninety Four Dollars, (\$22,538,894), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Gilford School District, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of revised operating budget only.”

The motion was seconded by Norm Harris.

Bill Bertholdt spoke against the amendment.

Norm Harris spoke in favor of the amendment.

Kevin Hayes spoke against the board's path to bringing football forward

Jack Stephenson spoke against the amendment.

Dick Campbell spoke against the amendment saying that it should have been a special warrant article.

Joe Hoffman asked if it was the appropriate time to speak to the superintendent's contract.

Tim Saunders spoke in favor of the amendment.

Neil Flaherty spoke against the amendment.

A petition was submitted to require a vote to be taken by paper ballot. The results were 155 in favor of the amendment and 58 against. The amendment passed.

Tom Chase made a motion to Article II General Funds Budget.

Motion to amend Article II to add Thirty Six Thousand, One Hundred and Five Dollars (\$34,320.00) to the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant.

The amended Article II will read:

“To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Twenty Two Million, Six Hundred and Eighty Two Thousand, One Hundred and Sixty Dollars (\$22,682,160). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Twenty Two Million, Five Hundred and Thirty Eight Thousand, Eight Hundred Ninety Four Dollars, (\$22,538,894), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Gilford School District, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.”

The motion was seconded by Lisa DiMartino.

Tom Chase spoke in favor of the amendment.

Lisa DiMartino spoke in favor of the amendment.

Doug Lambert spoke against the amendment.

Bill Bertholdt spoke against the amendment.

Lynn Baron spoke in favor or the amendment.

A voice vote was taken. The amendment passed.

John Morris made a motion to vote to restrict reconsideration under RSA 40:10 on the amendment to put the monies back into the budget to support the football program.

Mark Corry seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

Lisa DiMartino made a motion to vote to restrict reconsideration under RSA 40:10 on the amendment to put the monies back into the budget to fund the Support Staff insurance.

Peter Sawyer seconded the motion.

The motion passed.

Joe Hoffman spoke against the Article II.

ARTICLE III School Buildings Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the school district will vote to create a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35, to be known as the school buildings maintenance capital reserve fund, for the purpose of repairing and maintaining the school buildings, grounds, and their operating systems and facilities. Furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) for this purpose from the June 30 unreserved fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1 of this year and to name the school board as agents to expend this fund.

Paul Blandford made a motion to move the article. Margo Weeks seconded the motion.

Paul Blandford spoke in favor of the article and stated the school board recommended the article.

Dick Hickok stated the Budget Committee did not recommend the article.

Doug Lambert spoke again the article.

The article will appear on the ballot as proposed.

ARTICLE IV School Buildings Boiler Maintenance and Replacement Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the school district will vote to create a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35, to be known as the school buildings boiler maintenance and replacement capital reserve fund, for the purpose of repairing, maintaining, and replacing the school building boilers. Furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for this purpose from the June 30 unreserved fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1 of this year and to name the school board as agents to expend this fund.

Sue Allen made a motion to move the article. Paul Blandford seconded the motion.

Sue Allen stated the school board recommended the article.

Dick Hickok said the Budget committee recommended this article.

There was no discussion on Article IV. The article will appear on the ballot as proposed.

ARTICLE V School Buildings Roof Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund

To see if the school district will vote to create a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35, to be known as the school buildings roof maintenance capital reserve fund, for the purpose of repairing, maintaining, and replacing the school building roofs. Furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for this purpose from the June 30 unreserved fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1 of this year and to name the school board as agents to expend this fund.

Derek Tomlinson made a motion to move the article. Margo Weeks seconded the motion.

John Rochlis asked for an explanation as to what happens if there is no surplus.

Derek Tomlinson explained that if there are unreserved funds, the funds would go to these articles but there is no guarantee that there will be a surplus.

Dick Campbell asked what would happen if there is no surplus.

Derek Tomlinson explained that these articles are only if there is a surplus.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kimberly L. Varricchio
School District Clerk

**Gilford School District
Second Session of Annual Meeting
School District Voting and Election
Minutes
March 13, 2007**

The voting/election session of the Gilford School District Annual Meeting commenced at 7am.

Polls closed at 7pm.

Voting/Election Results:

School District Moderator: John Cameron: 1510. Write in votes: 11.
Total votes cast: 1521. John Cameron elected.

School District Treasurer: Paul R. Simoneau: 1576. Write in votes: 5.
Total votes cast: 1581. Paul Simoneau elected.

School District Clerk: Kimberly Varricchio: 1539. Write in votes: 5.
Total votes cast: 1544. Kimberly Varricchio elected.

School Board Members: Margo Weeks: 1328, Derek Tomlinson: 1303.
Write in votes: 124. Total votes cast: 2755. Margo Weeks and Derek Tomlinson elected.

Article #2: General Budget Funds: Yes: 819, No: 1088. Total votes cast: 1907

The Article did not pass.

Article #3: Maintenance Capitol Reserve Fund: Yes: 856, No: 1042.
Total votes cast: 1898. The Article did not pass.

Article #4: Boiler Maintenance and Replacement Capitol Reserve Fund: Yes: 1445, No: 460. Total votes cast: 1905. The Article passed.

Article #5: Roof Maintenance Capitol Reserve Fund: Yes: 1302, No: 588. Total votes cast: 1890. The Article passed.

Article #6: Sidewalk Project: Yes: 1248, No: 667. Total votes cast: 1915. The Article passed.

Write-in list is attached.

Respectfully submitted,
Kimberly L. Varricchio
School District Clerk

2007 REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD CHAIRPERSON

As we end the year, it gives us the opportunity to reflect on the accomplishments of the Gilford School District. During 2007, the Board has strived to provide a quality education for all our students. The academic bar has been raised by the School Board and Administration, as well as by the federal mandates under the requirements of “No Child Left Behind.”

The School Board continues to make decisions for the School District based on the adopted Long Range Planning Goals which are:

Curriculum:

Goal - Gilford School District will develop and maintain an ongoing curriculum process, K-12, that is coordinated across grade levels and subject areas.

We have a K-12 Curriculum Director who works with our staff and our Gilmanton colleagues and is creating a solid foundation for all our students.

Student Learning:

Goal – Teachers will use a variety of instructional methods and provide students varied opportunities to demonstrate and apply their learning.

Our teachers continue to explore differentiated instruction to meet the needs of all our students. Block scheduling at the high school has opened the door for more creative ways of teaching which engage the students in meaningful learning. Field studies and outdoor classroom settings still remain an integral part of the learning process. Teachers have become very creative and are inspiring our students to want to learn.

Professional Development:

Goal – The Gilford School District will move to a model of professional development that connects district goals, learner outcomes, and staff evaluations.

As a district, we understand the importance of professional development for our staff. This goal has always been a priority to the School Board because we realize the need to provide them with the tools and training and see the benefits it provides in the classroom.

Parent – Community:

Goal – Gilford School District will advance involvement of and communication with families and community members.

This has been a continuous effort on the part of the School District to keep the community informed about the schools and to encourage our parents and the community to be involved. We have many options for individuals to be involved from volunteering in our schools to serving on committees. If you are interested, please feel free to contact the principals at the individual schools or the SAU office to serve on a committee.

Facilities:

Goal – The Gilford School District will develop a formal plan for ongoing maintenance and capital improvements.

Our school buildings represent a major investment for our community and it is “key” that we continue to maintain them. As with our own homes, annual maintenance is mandatory. As a district, we are constantly addressing the needs of each school and taking care of maintenance issues as they arise. Planning ahead, we have set up capital reserve funds to address a few of the “large ticket items” that will be facing the taxpayers in the near future.

The Meadows property has become the site for two of our education programs that are used on a daily basis. Currently we are holding classes in the small apartment building and also in the former Yarn Shop. The fields are also home to two of our school sanctioned athletic programs – football and lacrosse.

The Meadows Advisory Board is moving forward on the development of the facility, including athletic fields, locker room, restroom facilities, and a concession stand. Plans are currently being prepared by Fluet Engineering and then the process of making applications and meeting with the appropriate departments will take place. The Committee’s goal is to fundraise the cost of the project. The community will be given updates as the process moves forward.

Due to our changing world, the School Board has focused this past year on the safety of our students and staff. Today, the district requires not only the mandatory fire drills but “lock downs.” We require our staff to wear district badges and we have secured entries at all our schools. This past year, we installed a “buzz-in” system at the elementary school.

We have also entered into collaboration with the Gilford Police and Fire Departments with a common goal of school and community safety. Through a grant secured by the Gilford Police Department, seven Gilford officials representing school, police and fire attended a national training session entitled, “Interagency Collaboration for School and Community Safety” in Jacksonville, Florida. This initiative has helped establish strategies for our Town’s Emergency Plan and ensures the safety of our schools and community. The training provided emergency planning strategies, processes for effective collaboration and legal pitfalls to avoid.

This past year, the School Board formed two subcommittees; one to look at health benefits for our support staff and the other to look at coaching and extra-curricular stipends. The committee looking at health benefits involved support staff, school board members and central office representation. Their recommendation has been brought forward as part of the school budget for 2008-2009 and realized a savings of \$47,134 for the tax payers. The second subcommittee involves teachers, school board members and central office representation, as well as input from building principals and the Athletic Director. At the time of this report, this committee is still meeting but **has** agreed to work with the budgeted amount for the 2008-2009 budget based on the existing rubric.

As the Gilford School Board looks forward to the rest of the 2007-2008 school year, our goal is to pass the school budget for 2008-2009, fully implement the Danielson staff evaluation model, explore the possibility of implementing the International Baccalaureate Program at the high school, advance curriculum development and address the space needs and relocation of the SU office, continue to provide quality staff development opportunities to advance student learning, review and develop school policies to meet state and federal requirements and align with the Long Range Strategic Plan.

This report has only highlighted a few of the efforts of the Gilford School District this past year. Again, I encourage you to visit our schools and see first-hand the outstanding accomplishments of our students. On behalf of the Gilford School Board, I would like to thank the community, our teachers, staff members and administrators for working together with a common goal of providing our students with a quality education.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan D. Allen
Gilford School Board Chairperson

Gilford Elementary School Principal's Annual Report 2007

Thank you for this opportunity to provide the annual report of Gilford Elementary School to the citizens of Gilford. Our opening day enrollment on September 5, 2007 was 387 students, which is 23 fewer students than the previous academic year. Studies have shown that our population may continue to decrease slightly during the next few years. This year marked the retirement of Paula Dickinson and Debra Webster, two long-time teachers in the district. Mrs. Dickinson retired as a Reading Specialist after 37 years in education, and Mrs. Webster finished her 34 year career at GES. We welcomed Brian Ernest, Assistant Principal, to our school community.

The staff at GES continues to provide a curriculum that is child centered and meets the State of New Hampshire Standards and Grade Level Expectations. The Literacy Collaborative is the core of our reading and writing curriculum. Programs, such as, Title I and Reading Recovery, provide for small group instruction to assure that all students are reading at or above grade level. Other curriculum initiatives include, the Integrated Instructional Model, which assures integration of the curriculum, and CO-SEED, a school and community environmental education program. Tech Paths has continued to be a vital tool in the development of curriculum and alignment with State of New Hampshire Frameworks.

The H.O.T. School Philosophy (Higher Order Thinking) is the foundation of learning at GES. Through the use of technology, democracy, and the arts, students become good school citizens. The Tech Studio, run by students, provides a broadcast throughout the school each morning. Showcase, a monthly all school gathering, continues to be an opportunity for students to display their learning. The GES Student Council and the Green Panda Recycling Club help students understand the role of democracy in school and community.

Through an affiliation with the New Hampshire Music Festival, GES has embarked upon an exciting new initiative that integrates music into all aspects of the curriculum. Sandy McLaughlin, a local educator, administers the program and works with staff and students to integrate the program. We express our thanks to the

New Hampshire Music Festival for providing musical instruments for our students and for inviting renowned musicians to teach us about other genres of music.

Assessment measures of student growth in grade 3 and 4 were conducted through the State of New Hampshire NECAP in October. Students in grades 2, 3 and 4 also took a computer test (MAP – Measure of Academic Progress) through the Northwest Educational Association. This test is administered in the Fall and Spring, and provides information on determining instructional needs of individual students, as well as measuring student progress.

Professional development opportunities for staff have focused on incorporating the principles of Charlotte Danielson's work *Enhancing Professional Practice: A Framework for Teaching*. Conferences on school violence have facilitated planning by the school, fire, and police department to better coordinate safety concerns in the case of a crisis in our schools and community. Many staff members have participated in Mandt training, which provides strategies on assisting students with behavioral issues. Teachers have also participated in technology programs that support the use of the "Smart Board" as an instructional tool. GES has a Professional Development School relationship with Plymouth State University, in which we have provided student teaching experiences for 16 students, and welcomed over 20 Methods II students to our classrooms.

GES was the recipient of the New Hampshire Department of Education Blue Ribbon Award to recognize parent and community volunteers in our school. We express our thanks to the many volunteers who come into our school each day to assist our teachers and students. We also received the Gold Circle Award for our partnership with Laconia Savings Bank and Hannaford Brothers. Laconia Savings Bank provides a weekly banking program for students, and Hannaford Brothers participates with students in the collection of store coupons, which provides a cash award for artist in residence programs.

Efforts to ensure a safe school environment include CPR courses for staff, taught by Frank Latosek from the Gilford Fire Department. The school has a Med Team, which regularly conducts drills for response in a medical crisis. "Go-bags" have been provided for each classroom and are equipped with supplies for a medical emergency. The "buzz-in entry" has provided security at the front door of our school.

Extended Day programs, Summer Day Program, and After School Enrichment programs continue to provide safe places for students to work and play, as well as extending opportunities for enriching academic experiences for students. The costs of the programs are totally offset by revenues.

In closing, we express our thanks to the community agencies that support our school, including the Gilford Police and Fire Departments, Department of Public Works, Parks and Recreation, Gilford Library, Thompson Ames Historical Society, and the Gilford Rotary Club.

GES also thanks the Gilford School Board, SAU personnel, the Municipal Budget Committee, the Gilford PTA, the Volunteer Steering Committee, and the citizens of Gilford for supporting the goals, priorities, and vision of GES.

Sincerely,
Sandra T. McGonagle
Principal

GILFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL

Principal's Annual Report

2007

Gilford Middle School began its academic year for three hundred ninety-three students on August 28, 2007. First, I would like to recognize those members of our professional and paraprofessional staff who have left our system and secondly, welcome the new additions to our staff. Alyson Cahoon, sixth grade special education teacher, replaced Joya Franco; Linda Keith joined us from the elementary school to replace Terry Dockham; Mary Konrad, who retired this fall after sixteen years of service, was replaced as seventh grade assistant teacher by Erica Duncan; Kim Duquette was reassigned from the high school student services department and Shalynn Ouellette and Cheryl Bryan joined our seventh grade student services team. Barbara Blackie, Lauren Imbimbo and Suzanne Bowen all joined the fifth grade team as paraprofessionals since the beginning of the school year.

The Gilford Middle School faculty and staff continue their commitment to provide an engaging, student-centered curriculum structured on the unique developmental needs of adolescent students. Through the collaboration of teachers, administration, and the district curriculum coordinator, GMS is completing its alignment with the State Standards and Grade Level Expectations. In addition to a well-rounded, comprehensive academic program, students continue to have opportunities to expand the walls of the classroom and their horizons through after school enrichment programs, Yearbook, Environmental and Homework Clubs, Mathalon Teams, Student Council, athletics, drama, and the Summer Day Program.

One key focus this past year emphasized wellness through the implementation of the district-wide Wellness Policy and the efforts of a vibrant, creative physical education department. Students participate in mountain biking, step aerobics, dance, rock climbing, team activities, circus arts, bowling, kick boxing, Tae-Bo, hiking, and, thanks to a \$2000. 00 grant from Healthy NH, snowshoeing.

Gilford Middle School's participation in National History Day continues to grow. National History Day is an opportunity for students, either individually or in small teams, to select historical topics related

to a specific theme and conduct extensive primary and secondary research on their topic. After conducting thorough research, they draw conclusions about their topic's significance in history and present their work through original papers, exhibits, performances and documentaries. Three years ago, we had eleven eighth grade students submit their work with four students going forward to compete at the national level in Washington, D.C. This past year, thirty-seven students participated, and six students from the middle school and two from the high school advanced to nationals. To date, over forty students have signed up to participate this year.

Last fall, GMS conducted a school-wide evaluation and self-study to explore opportunities for continued, ongoing improvement. Using the Carnegie Report on Adolescent Development, *Turning Points 2000*, and with the New England League of Middle Schools providing oversight, we solicited input on every aspect of our school from parents, students, administration, school board members, support staff, and faculty. The final report provided by the NELMS Visiting Team not only recognized specific strengths of our existing program but also provided valuable recommendations. The resulting five year action plan focuses on Parents and Community, Healthy School Environment, Governing Democratically, Relationships for Learning, Teachers and Staff, and Curriculum and Assessment.

On behalf of Gilford Middle School, I would like to express my sincere appreciation for the continued support of the PTA, Volunteer Steering Committee, School Board, Central Office Administration, and Gilford community members for their commitment to provide quality educational opportunities for the children of Gilford.

Respectfully submitted,
James Kemmerer
Principal, GMS

Gilford High School

Principal's Annual Report

2007

The opening day enrollment at Gilford High School was 572 students which represents a decrease of three students from last year's first-day number. We also welcomed four new faculty members. Marilyn Salagaj is new in the science department; Janice Stowell is now teaching Spanish; Gloria Krzynowek is filling in for a leave-of-absence in Spanish and French; Seth Gilman joined us in the math department; and Renee Cass is teaching computer literacy, math and English. Michelle Bernard has joined us as our technology integration specialist; and Peter Sawyer has moved into the position of Assistant Principal.

63% of the class of 2007 attended a four year college, while 18% attended a two year college, and 11% entered the workforce directly. Five percent chose to enter the military following graduation. Students were accepted to such schools as: Boston University, Brandeis, Colby, University of New Hampshire, Plymouth State University, Keene State College, Clarkson, Dartmouth, Harvard, and the U.S. Military Academies.

The Class of 2009 participated in the first-ever administration of the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAPs) in October. The NECAP tests have replaced the NHEIAP tests. The new tests are the product of a tri-state collaboration with Rhode Island and Vermont. The administration of the new tests has moved from May of the 10th grade to October of the 11th grade. In addition, the new assessments will include a science test that is given to all 11th graders in May.

We continue to prepare for the next accreditation visit from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). NEASC is one of six regional accrediting associations in the United States. GHS is one of 1,928 member institutions who are evaluated for accreditation every ten years. We are scheduled for an accreditation visit in March of 2009. At that time, a 15-member team of educators will visit the school for four days to measure our performance against seven standards covering the areas of *mission, curriculum, instruction,*

assessment, community resources for learning, leadership, and school resources for learning. When this team arrives, they will have already read our self-study of how we think we are matching up against those standards. They will then use our report to either verify or disagree with our findings.

In preparation for the 2009 visit, all parents and guardians, students, professional staff members, and school board members were given the opportunity during the months of October and November to take part in an on-line survey of their respective opinions about our performance against the standards. In addition, every faculty and staff member has been assigned to a committee to examine one of the seven standards. They will be assisted by parents and students serving on each committee. Each committee will spend a total of sixteen months gathering and analyzing evidence and comparing our school's performance against a particular standard. Each committee must identify GHS' strengths and needs in relationship to the standard. When a committee completes its work, their report must be endorsed by a two-thirds vote of the faculty. The end result will be seven comprehensive essays which will become the substance of our self-study report. The NEASC's Commission on Public Secondary Schools will issue their accreditation report in the fall of 2009. We will use the findings of this report to continue our school improvement efforts.

We sincerely want to thank the parents, guardians, and other members of our school's community for the time they have donated and the assistance they have provided to support our self-study work.

Respectfully submitted,
Ken Wiswell
Principal, GHS

**SCHOOL STATISTICS
GILFORD ELEMENTARY
MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENTS**

As of October, 2007

Elementary	Grade	
	K	69
	1	65
	2	77
	3	96
	4	<u>74</u>
	Total Elementary	381
Middle School	5	102
	6	93
	7	102
	8	<u>93</u>
	Total Middle	390
High School	9	145
	10	156
	11	148
	12	<u>123</u>
	Total High	572
SCHOOL DISTRICT TOTAL		1343

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INDEPENDENT A AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF CONTROL DEFICIENCIES AND OTHER MATTERS

To the Members of the School Board
Gilford School District
Gilford, New Hampshire

In planning and reporting our audit of the financial statements of the Gilford School District as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Gilford School District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Gilford School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Gilford School District's internal control.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the Gilford School District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the Gilford School District's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the Gilford School District's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the Gilford School District's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the school board, others within the organization, and state and federal agencies, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Plodzick & Sanderson
Professional Association

July 20, 2007

**GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDING
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007**

Expenditures

Instruction	\$3,067,606.04
Related Services	142,935.96
Administration	156,405.04
Legal	0
Transportation	99,490.70

Total Expenditures	\$3,466,437.74
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Revenues

Catastrophic Aid	\$ 390,670.15
Medicaid	57,364.18
Other LEA'S	120,400.33
Dis Programs (Federal)	261,140.62

Total Revenues	\$ 829,575.28
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Expenses are for delivery of special education instruction, occupational/physical therapy, speech therapy, physical therapy, and special education transportation. Grant programs and revenues are for special education services delivered through state or federal funding.

FINANCIAL REPORT
GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007
General Fund

Revenues	
School district assessment	\$ 12,368,952
Other local	3,080,445
State	4,981,203
Federal	<u>57,364</u>
Total revenues	<u>\$ 20,487,964</u>
Expenditures	
Current	
Instruction	8,863,730
Support services:	
Student	691,976
Instructional staff	804,473
General administration	87,812
Executive administration	160,764
School administration	1,012,503
Business	257,562
Operation and maintenance of plant	1,685,692
Student transportation	591,846
Other	4,634,770
Non-Instructional Services	
Debt service	
Principal	1,040,000
Interest	623,947
	<u>20,455,075</u>
Total expenditures	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	<u>32,889</u>
Other financing sources (uses):	
Transfers in	13,159
Transfers out	
Total other financing sources and uses	<u>13,159</u>

Net change in fund balance	46,048
Increase in fund balance reserve for special purposes	(100,000)
Unreserved fund balance, beginning	<u>913,600</u>
Unreserved fund balance, ending	<u>859,648</u>

Note Source – Plodzik & Sanderson, Independent Auditors Report

**FINANCIAL REPORT
GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**FOOD SERVICE FUNDS
For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2007**

Revenues:

Local	\$ 362,735
State	4,590
Federal	<u>106,647</u>
Total revenues	<u>473,972</u>

Expenditures:

Current:

Instruction	
Non-instructional service	<u>462,767</u>
Total expenditures	<u>462,767</u>

Excess of revenues over expenditures	11,205
Fund balances, beginning	<u>120,261</u>
Fund balances, ending	<u>131,466</u>

Note Source – Plodzik & Sanderson, Independent Auditors Report

Town of Gilford
Town Meeting Warrant

To the inhabitants of the Town of Gilford in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

First Session

You are hereby notified to meet for the first session of the annual meeting, to be held at the Gilford High School Auditorium, Gilford, NH on the fourth day of February 2008 being Monday at seven o'clock in the evening (7:00 pm). The first (Deliberative) session will consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of each of the following warrant articles, and will afford those voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to each warrant article, except those articles whose wording is prescribed by state law.

Second Session

You are also notified to meet for the second session of the annual town meeting, to elect town officers by official ballot and to vote by official ballot on the warrant articles as they may have been amended at the first session, to be held at the Gilford Middle School on the eleventh day of March 2008, being Tuesday, at seven o'clock in the forenoon (the polls are to be open at 7:00 am and may not close prior to 7:00 pm) to act upon the following:

Election of Officers

Article 1: To choose the necessary Town Officers for the following year.

Zoning Ordinance Amendments

Article 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend Section 8.4.8, Changeable Copy Signs, by adding to the existing Section 8.4.8 regulations regarding Electronic Changeable Copy Signs. The proposed regulations limit the frequency at which messages are allowed to change; restrict hours of operation; and prohibit certain display methods including, but not limited to, flashing and image movement.

Article 3: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Gilford Planning Board for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend subparagraph (a) of Section 5.2.1, Island and Shore Frontage District, by increasing the minimum setback required from Lake Winnepesaukee, Saltmarsh Pond, Lily Pond, Poor Farm Brook, Meadow Brook, Jewett Brook, Gunstock River, or any other year-round brook, from forty (40) feet to fifty (50) feet.

Article 4: Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by petition for the Gilford Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Gilford by changing from the Resort Commercial (RC) Zone to the Single Family Residential (SFR) Zone the area along the southwesterly side of Route 11, a/k/a Lake Shore Road, generally between the Alton town line and Highland Drive.

(The Planning Board does not recommend the adoption of this amendment.)

Other Municipal Articles

Article 5: Shall the Town raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling **\$10,825,284**? Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be

\$10,874,772 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. NOTE: This operating budget warrant article does not include appropriations contained in ANY other warrant articles.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)

Article 6: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fourteen thousand dollars (\$214,000) to purchase a new ambulance and authorize the withdrawal of one hundred ten thousand dollars (\$110,000) from the Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of one hundred four thousand dollars (\$104,000) is to come from general taxation.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).

Article 7: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to be added to the Police Facility Capital Reserve Fund previously established. This sum to come from undesignated fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

Article 8: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Bridge Replacement Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

Article 9: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

Article 10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be added to the Ambulance Replacement Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

Article 11: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of the maintenance of the Glendale Boat and Launch Ramp Facilities and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 12: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of maintaining the Town's Recreation Facilities and to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty two thousand dollars (\$22,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 13: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Sewer Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 14: To see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of funding Water Supply Maintenance and to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in this fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend.
(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).

Article 15: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Compensated Absences Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee)**

Article 16: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Building Repair Capital Reserve Fund. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 17: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$110,000 for use by the Library Trustees at the new library. Funding to be provided from the proceeds of the sale of land at 43 Potter Hill Road, parcel number 226-078.001. This parcel was purchased in 2004 to build a new library. This article is a one time appropriation and is contingent upon adequate proceeds from the sale of the land. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 18: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$32,359 for the Youth Services Bureau. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 19: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$23,500 for Community Health and Hospice, Inc. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 20: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,400 for Child and Family Services. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 21: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,345 for the Community Action Program. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 22: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,800 for New Beginnings. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 23: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$8,749 for Genesis Behavioral Health. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 24: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$3,330 for the American Red Cross. **(Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not recommended by the Budget Committee).**

Article 25: To see if the Town will vote to pay the Town Clerk/Tax Collector an annual stipend of \$57,952. In addition the Town Clerk/Tax Collector shall be entitled to 95% of the premium for the town's health insurance plan, 100% of the dental insurance premium, 100% of the short and long term disability plans, life insurance with a face value of 165% of the annual stipend (not to exceed \$100,000). Additionally, the Town will continue making contributions to the NH State Retirement System at the effective contribution rate (currently 8.74%). Total value of package is \$74,588.

Article 26: To see if the taxpayers of the Town of Gilford will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to support the activities and facilities of the Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association, a 501(c)(3) tax exempt charitable organization that operates a variety of sailing programs for residents of the Lakes Region. These programs include: a Youth Sailing School; a Community Sailing Program for adults; and a soon to be established Adaptive Sailing Program for physically and mentally challenged children and adults, including wounded veterans returning from combat operations. Programs are open to all Lakes Region residents regardless of their ability to pay. **(Submitted by Petition) (Not Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Not**

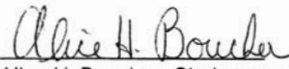
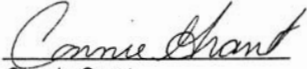
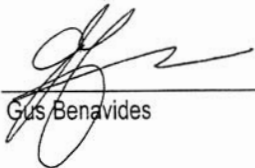
recommended by the Budget Committee).

Article 27: To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor:

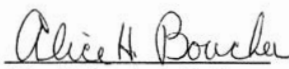
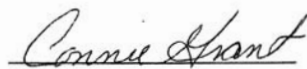
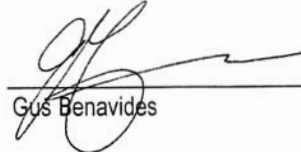
Resolved: We the citizens of Gilford, NH believe in a New Hampshire that is just and fair. The property tax has become unjust and unfair. State leaders who take a pledge for no new taxes perpetuate higher and higher property taxes. We call on our State Representatives, our State Senator and our Governor to reject the "Pledge", have an open discussion covering all options, and adopt a revenue system that lowers property taxes. **(Submitted by Petition)**

Article 28: To see if the Town will vote as per RSA 32:5 V-a to require that all votes by the Selectmen and Town Budget Committee relative to Town budget items or warrant articles be recorded votes and a numerical tally of any such vote be printed in the Town warrant next to the affected warrant article. **(Submitted by Petition)**

Dated and signed on January 23, 2008 and ordered posted by the undersigned members of the Town of Gilford, New Hampshire Board of Selectmen.

		
Alice H. Boucher, Chairman	Connie Grant	Gus Benavides

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants of the Town of Gilford to meet for the 2008 Deliberative Session and Official Balloting at the time and place indicated in this warrant, by posting an attested copy of this document on January 28, 2008 at the Gilford Middle School, High School, Town Hall, Library, and Department of Public Works.

		
Alice H. Boucher, Chairman	Connie Grant	Gus Benavides

Subscribed and sworn to this 23rd day of January 2008.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

OF: Gilford

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. All proposed appropriations must be on this form.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

Richard C. Hickok
Alan T. Brown
Phillip W. Corrigan
David Murphy
Susan C. Dune
William H. Phillips

Mark
Robert
Angela E. Lambert
Terry J. Stewart

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

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PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)			OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED) (NOT RECOMMENDED)		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED NOT RECOMMENDED	
ACCT.#	GENERAL GOVERNMENT				XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	5	439629	439152.33	392674		392674		
4140-4149	Election,Reg.& Vital Statistics	5	207174	202983.08	281002		281002		
4150-4151	Financial Administration	5	175655	132283.56	153000		153000		
4152	Revaluation of Property	5	179482	176184.48	226115		226115		
4153	Legal Expense	5	60000	88615.86	80000		80000		
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	5	1960735	1728564.04	1904625		1904625		
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	5	212869	206362.41	212083		212083		
4194	General Government Buildings	5	257633	218949.98	262041		262041		
4195	Cemeteries	5	21600	23150	30100		30100		
4196	Insurance	5	83000	78472.26	86000		86000		
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	5	7914	7914	8104		8104		
4199	Other General Government								
PUBLIC SAFETY					XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	5	1403964	1336280.15	1414492		1414492		
4215-4219	Ambulance								
4220-4229	Fire	5	1084065	1034065.03	1073020		1073020		
4240-4249	Building Inspection								
4290-4298	Emergency Management	5	13540	2819.46	5650		5650		
4299	Other (Including Communications)	5	37024	37024			0		
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER					XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations	5	10000	10000	10000		10000		
HIGHWAYS & STREETS					XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration	5	171823	164171.16	182327		182327		
4312	Highways & Streets	5	1363591	1251055.61	1493171		1493171		
4313	Bridges	5	1	0	60300		60300		

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HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.								
4316	Street Lighting		18239	19125.21	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
4319	Other		232292	215886.14	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
SANITATION								
4321	Administration				XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
4323	Solid Waste Collection							
4324	Solid Waste Disposal		539717	478498.41		532560		532560
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up							
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other							
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT								
4331	Administration				XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
4332	Water Services		34000	36682.04		44367		44367
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other							
ELECTRIC								
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation				XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
4353	Purchase Costs							
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance							
4359	Other Electric Costs							
HEALTH/WELFARE								
4411	Administration			1884.48	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
4414	Pest Control		7600	7600		7800		7800
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other		45396	45396				
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.		64000	68041.75		64000		64000
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts							
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other							

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	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		222345	213062.48	200685		200685	
4550-4559	Library		263473	261156.28	281522		281522	
4583	Patriotic Purposes		125	106	125		125	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation							
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		13800	12541.04	16300		16300	
4619	Other Conservation							
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING							
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		596361	454824.96	392346		392346	
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		64281	70099.15	122550		122550	
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		5000	0	5000		5000	
4790-4799	Other Debt Service							
	CAPITAL OUTLAY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land							
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		292544	189361.51	194342		193842	500
4903	Buildings							
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.		20000	13285	20000		20000	
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund							
4913	To Capital Projects Fund							
4914	To Enterprise Fund							
	Sewer-		786629	786629	796793		796793	
	Water-							

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	OP Bud. Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year								
					(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED							
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT cont.										XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
	Electric-														
	Airport-														
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund *		416600	416600											
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917 *														
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds *														
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds														
4919	To Fiduciary Funds														
OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL			11312101	9642197.86	10825784			10825284							500

* Use special warrant article section on next page.

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3.VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

1 ACCT #	2 PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3.V)	3 Warr. Art.#	4 Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	5 Actual Expenditures Prior Year	6 SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year		7 BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year		9
					(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	
	Sailing Association					10000			10000
	Police Facility Cap Reserve				150000			150000	
	Bridge Replacement Cap Reserve				50000			50000	
	Highway Equipment Cap Reserve				50000			50000	
	Ambulance Capital Reserve				50000			50000	
	Compensated Absences Cap Reserve				5000			5000	
	Building Repair Capital Reserve				5000			5000	
	Sewer Capital Reserve				20000			20000	
	Water Supply Capital Reserve				10000			10000	
	Recreation Facility Cap Reserve				22000			22000	
	Glendale Capital Reserve				25000			25000	
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	387000	10000		387000	10000

SPECIAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements, leases or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

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					(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	(RECOMMENDED)	(NOT RECOMMENDED)	
	New Ambulance				214000			214000	0
	Library Land sale proceeds				110000			110000	32359
	Youth Services Bureau				32359				23500
	Lakes Region Community Health				23500				3400
	Lakes Region Family Services				3400				8345
	Community Action Program				8345				1800
	New Buildings				1800				8749
	Gersale Behavioral Health				8749				3330
	American Red Cross				3330				
			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	405483	0		324000	81483

INDIVIDUAL ARTICLES RECOMMENDED

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		0	0	0
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		20000	8859.37	10000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		15000	13173.3	13000
3189	Other Taxes- Betterments		9958	9686	9458
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		130600	141500.87	120300
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		500	2384.62	1000
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		69315	69975.76	67710
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		1613500	1595402.42	1600500
3230	Building Permits		61700	79042.58	61000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		10800	8388.5	10750
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT		0	55766.48	
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		38171	86370	86370
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		280000	308371.2	280000
3353	Highway Block Grant		185038	185038.42	193284
3354	Water Pollution Grant		77000	40065	39221
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		1500	1399.36	1500
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		9280	18329	
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS			80.26	
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		337785	321732.43	278445
3409	Other Charges		114000	103979.99	87000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		50000	61327.73	122000
3502	Interest on Investments		125000	231612.33	140000
3503-3509	Other		23600	22280.87	23400
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds		250174	250174	
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont.			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)		786629	786629	816793
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds		120000	120000	170000
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
	Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")				150000
	Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes				
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			4329550	4521569.39	4281731
			906629	906629	1136793

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)	10663257	10825784	10825284
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	1786600	387000	387000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)	83500	405483	324000
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	12533357	11618267	11536284
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	5559550	4281731	4281731
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised	6973807	7336536	7254553

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: _____
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

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DEFAULT BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF: Gilford, NH

For the Ensuing Year January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

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2. Post this form or any amended version with proposed operating budget (MS-6 or MS-7) and the warrant.
3. Per RSA 40:13, XI, (a), the default budget shall be disclosed at the first budget hearing.

GOVERNING BODY (SELECTMEN)

or

Budget Committee if RSA 40:14-b is adopted

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Alice Boucher, Chairman

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Default Budget - Town of Gilford 2008

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	439629	300		439929
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	207174	200		207374
4150-4151	Financial Administration	175655	43000		218655
4152	Revaluation of Property	179482	47000		226482
4153	Legal Expense	60000			60000
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	1960735	39707		2000442
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	212869		1600	211269
4194	General Government Buildings	260491	4885	15000	250376
4195	Cemeteries	21600	8500		30100
4196	Insurance	83000	7470		90470
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	7914	237		8151
4199	Other General Government				0
PUBLIC SAFETY		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	1404964			1404964
4215-4219	Ambulance				0
4220-4229	Fire	1084065	10890	300	1094655
4240-4249	Building Inspection				0
4290-4298	Emergency Management	14309		4979	9330
4299	Other (Incl. Communications)	37024			37024
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations	10000			10000
HIGHWAYS & STREETS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration	171823			171823
4312	Highways & Streets	1363591			1363591
4313	Bridges	1			1
4316	Street Lighting	18239			18239
4319	Other	232292			232292
SANITATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321	Administration				
4323	Solid Waste Collection				
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	539717			539717
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up				
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other				

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WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331	Administration				
4332	Water Services	34000	13544		47544
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv. & Other				
ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation				
4353	Purchase Costs				
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance				
4359	Other Electric Costs				
HEALTH		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411	Administration				
4414	Pest Control	7600	2000		7800
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other	45396			45396
WELFARE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.	64000			64000
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts				
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other				
CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	222345		10275	212070
4550-4559	Library	263473			263473
4583	Patriotic Purposes	125			125
4589	Other Culture & Recreation				0
CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources	13800			13800
4619	Other Conservation				0
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING				0
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT				0
DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes	596361	-204015		392346
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes	64281	58269		122550
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes	5000			5000
4790-4799	Other Debt Service				0

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
	CAPITAL OUTLAY	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land				
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment	292544		23475	269069
4903	Buildings				0
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.	20000			20000
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	
4912	To Special Revenue Fund				0
4913	To Capital Projects Fund				0
4914	To Enterprise Fund				0
	Sewer-	786629	28286	28200	786715
	Water-				0
	Electric-				0
	Airport-				0
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund				0
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917				0
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds				0
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds				0
4919	To Fiduciary Funds				0
		1099173	28286	51675	1075784
	TOTAL	10900128	60273	83829	10874772

Please use the box below to explain increases or reductions in columns 4 & 5.

Acct #	Explanation for Increases	Acct #	Explanation for Reductions
4130-4197	Contractual	4191	One time purchase
4332	Contractual	4194	One time purchase
4721	Debt Service	4220	One time purchase
4220	Other Obligation	4290	One time purchase
		4520	One time purchase
		4902	One time purchase
		4711	Debt Service

**GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the Inhabitants of the School District of Gilford in the County of Belknap, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote on District affairs:

First Session of Annual Meeting (Deliberative):

You are hereby notified to meet at the Gilford High School, 88 Alvah Wilson Road, Gilford, New Hampshire on Thursday, February 7, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. This session shall consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of warrant articles number II, III, IV, V and VI. Warrant articles may be amended subject to the following limitations. (a) warrant articles whose wording is prescribed by law shall not be amended and (b) warrant articles that are amended shall be placed on the official ballot for a final vote on the main motion, as amended.

Second Session of Annual Meeting (Voting):

Voting on warrant articles number 1 through 6 will be conducted by official ballot to be held in conjunction with town meeting voted to be held on **Tuesday, the 11th day of March, 2008, at the Town election polls, Gilford Middle School, 72 Alvah Wilson Road, Gilford, New Hampshire.** Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

ARTICLE I Election of Officers (March 11th only)

To choose the following school district officers:

School District Moderator	1-Year Term
School District Clerk	1-Year Term
School District Treasurer	1-Year Term
School Board Member	3-Year Term

ARTICLE II General Budget Funds

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling Twenty Three Million, One Hundred Seventy Seven Thousand, Five Hundred Seventy One Dollars (\$23,177,571). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Twenty Three Million, Eighty Two Thousand, Four Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars, (\$23,082,479), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Gilford School District, or by law, or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

Note: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article. (Majority vote is required)

School Board: Recommended

Budget Committee: Recommended

ARTICLE III School Buildings Roof Replacement

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars, (\$475,000), for the replacement of the school building roofs to the Gilford High School and the Gilford Elementary School and authorize the withdrawal of Fifty Thousand Dollars, (\$50,000), from the capitol reserve fund created for that purpose. The balance of Four Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars, (\$425,000) is to come from general taxation. (Majority vote is required).

School Board: Recommended

Budget Committee: Recommended

ARTICLE IV Gilford School District Administration Offices Relocation

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifty Eight Thousand Dollars, (\$58,000) for the cost to relocate the Gilford School District Administration Offices to the Gilford Elementary School. This expense is to be funded from the June 30 unreserved fund balance (surplus) available for transfer on July 1. This is a special warrant article. (Majority vote required)

School Board: Recommended

Budget Committee: Recommended

ARTICLE V Citizen Petition – Gilford High School Varsity and JV Football

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars, (\$30,000) to fund a varsity and junior varsity football team for Gilford High School. Seven Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars, (\$7,500), will be raised from gate receipts, fund raising and concession sales; the balance of Twenty Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$22,500) is to come from general taxation. This will be an ongoing annual appropriation and part of the operating budget to be funded from general taxation. **(Submitted by Petition)**

School Board: Recommended

Budget Committee: Recommended

ARTICLE VI Citizen Petition – Gilford High School First Robotics Team

To see if the school district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Thousand Dollars, (\$6,000), to fund the registration fee and program materials for the Gilford High School FIRST Robotics Team. This will be an ongoing annual appropriation to be funded from general taxation. **(Submitted by Petition)**

School Board: Recommended

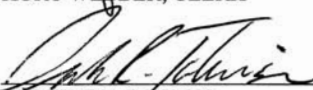
Budget Committee: Recommended

Given under our hands and seals this 17th Day of January, 2008


SUE ALLEN, CHAIRPERSON


MARGO WEEKS, VICE-CHAIRPERSON


KURT WEBBER, CLERK


DEREK TOMLINSON

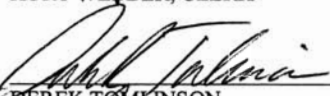

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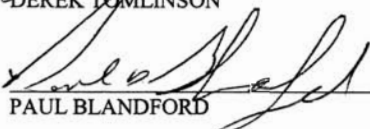
A true copy of Warrant: Attest:


SUE ALLEN, CHAIRPERSON


MARGO WEEKS, VICE-CHAIRPERSON


KURT WEBBER, CLERK


DEREK TOMLINSON


PAUL BLANDFORD

SCHOOL BUDGET FORM
BUDGET FORM FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

GILFORD SAU #73

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year From July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list ALL APPROPRIATIONS in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
 2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
 3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below within 20 days after the meeting.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): _____

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

John M. Cocca
John O'Brien
Robert Chabot
David Murphy
Kevin C. Gagne
William D. Phillips

Donald J. Lusk
Theresa
Caroline
Tracy J. Stewart
[Signature]

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

FOR DRA USE ONLY

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32.3.V)	OP Bud. WARR. ART.#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/06 to 6/30/07	Appropriations Current Year as Approved by DRA	School Board's Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year		Budget Committee's Approp. Ensuing Fiscal Year	
					RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED	NOT RECOMMENDED
	INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX
1100-1199	Regular Programs		6,358,837.00	6,457,955.00	6,622,105.00		6,622,105.00	
1200-1299	Special Programs		2,084,095.85	2,413,182.00	2,478,902.00		2,478,902.00	
1300-1399	Vocational Programs		23,711.95	27,840.00	34,580.00		34,580.00	
1400-1499	Other Programs		397,084.01	429,729.00	442,501.00		442,501.00	
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs							
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs							
	SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
2000-2199	Student Support Services		891,976.14	751,300.00	780,290.00		780,290.00	
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services		804,472.89	752,644.00	781,000.00		781,000.00	
	General Administration	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
2310 840	School Board Contingency							
2310-2319	Other School Board		87,811.90	72,140.00	74,625.00		74,625.00	
	Executive Administration	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXX
2320-310	SAU Management Services							
2320-2399	All Other Administration		160,763.74	167,671.00	171,571.00		171,571.00	
2400-2499	School Administration Service		1,012,502.89	1,064,723.00	1,110,951.00		1,110,951.00	
2500-2599	Business		257,561.90	286,776.00	290,784.00		290,784.00	
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant		1,685,691.91	1,621,373.00	1,753,743.00		1,753,743.00	
2700-2799	Student Transportation		591,845.66	583,503.00	623,674.00		623,674.00	
2800-2999	Support Service Central & Other		4,634,769.94	5,191,832.00	5,306,149.00		5,306,149.00	
3000-3999	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES		448,667.39	637,360.00	689,658.00		689,658.00	
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION			168,383.00				

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	OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5110	Debt Service - Principal			1,040,000.00	1,040,000.00	1,040,000.00	1,040,000.00	
5120	Debt Service - Interest			623,947.74	601,125.00	559,750.00	559,750.00	
	FUND TRANSFERS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5220-5221	To Food Service				1.00	1.00	1.00	
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue			368,370.73	439,739.00	417,287.00	417,287.00	
5230-5239	To Capital Projects							
5251	To Capital Reserves (page 4)				100,000.00			
5252	To Expendable Trust (page 4)				1.00			
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts							
5254	To Agency Funds							
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.							
	SUPPLEMENTAL							
	DEFICIT							
	Operating Budget Total			21,272,111.73	22,807,277.00	23,177,571.00	23,177,571.00	

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3, VI, as appropriations: 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriations to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trust funds; 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

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***INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES**

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be: 1) Negotiated cost items for labor agreements; 2) Leases; 3) Supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; or 4) Deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues ENSUING FISCAL YEAR
REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
1300-1349	Tuition		2,700,070	2,772,089	2,822,261
1400-1449	Transportation Fees				
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		124,772	50,000	125,000
1600-1699	Food Service Sales		362,734	592,360	644,658
1700-1799	Student Activities				
1800-1899	Community Services Activities				
1900-1999	Other Local Sources		276,593	160,223	205,166
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	School Building Aid		357,848	391,327	391,327
3220	Kindergarten Aid				
3230	Catastrophic Aid		390,670	329,253	329,253
3240-3249	Vocational Aid		2,376		
3250	Adult Education				
3260	Child Nutrition		4,590	3,000	3,000
3270	Driver Education		10,650	15,000	15,000
3290-3299	Other State Sources				
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4100-4539	Federal Program Grants		107,230	189,539	161,469
4540	Vocational Education				
4550	Adult Education				
4560	Child Nutrition		106,648	42,000	42,000
4570	Disabilities Programs		261,140	250,200	255,818
4580	Medicaid Distribution		57,364	55,000	90,000
4590-4999	Other Federal Sources (except 4810)				
4810	Federal Forest Reserve				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5110-5139	Sale of Bonds or Notes				
5221	Transfer from Food Service-Spec.Rev.Fund				
5222	Transfer from Other Special Revenue Funds				
5230	Transfer from Capital Project Funds				
5251	Transfer from Capital Reserve Funds				50,000

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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	WARR. ART.#	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenues Current Year	Estimated Revenues ENSURING FISCAL YEAR
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES CONT.			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5252	Transfer from Expendable Trust Funds				
5253	Transfer from Non-Expendable Trust Funds				
5300-5699	Other Financing Sources				
5140	This Section for Calculation of RAN's (Reimbursement Anticipation Notes) Per RSA 198:20-D for Catastrophic Aid Borrowing RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ =NET RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
	Voted From Fund Balance				
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		913,600	959,648	116,000
	Total Estimated Revenue & Credits		5,676,285	5,809,639	5,250,952

BUDGET SUMMARY

	Current Year Adopted Budget	School Board's Recommended Budget	Budget Committee's Recommended Budget
Operating Budget Appropriations Recommended (from page 3)	22,807,277	23,177,571	23,177,571
Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4)		569,000	569,000
Individual Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 4)			
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	22,807,277	23,746,571	23,746,571
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	5,809,639	5,250,952	5,250,952
Less: Amount of Statewide Enhanced Education Tax/Grant	4,327,759	4,327,759	4,327,759
Estimated Amount of Local Taxes to be Raised For Education	12,669,879	14,167,860	14,167,860

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: _____
 (See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

DEFAULT BUDGET OF THE SCHOOL

OF: _____ GILFORD (SAU #73) _____ NH

Fiscal Year From July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009

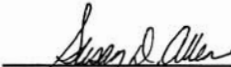
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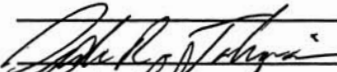
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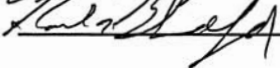
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Default Budget - School District of Gilford (SAU #73) FY 2008-09

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
1100-1199	Regular Programs	6,457,955.00	328,764.00	44,004.00	6,742,715.00
1200-1299	Special Programs	2,413,182.00	30,497.00	0.00	2,443,679.00
1300-1399	Vocational Programs	27,840.00	0.00	0.00	27,840.00
1400-1499	Other Programs	429,729.00	2,000.00	0.00	431,729.00
1500-1599	Non-Public Programs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1600-1899	Adult & Community Programs	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2000-2199	Student Support Services	751,300.00	9,771.00	250.00	760,821.00
2200-2299	Instructional Staff Services	752,644.00	7,479.00	2,100.00	758,023.00
General Administration		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2310 840	School Board Contingency	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2310-2319	Other School Board	72,140.00	2,485.00	0.00	74,625.00
Executive Administration		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2320-310	SAU Management Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2320-2399	All Other Administration	167,671.00	2,639.00	0.00	170,310.00
2400-2499	School Administration Service	1,064,723.00	15,401.00	0.00	1,080,124.00
2500-2599	Business	286,776.00	3,209.00	0.00	289,985.00
2600-2699	Operation & Maintenance of Plant	1,621,373.00	44,735.00	0.00	1,666,108.00
2700-2799	Student Transportation	583,503.00	40,171.00	0.00	623,674.00
2800-2999	Support Service Central & Other	5,191,832.00	114,317.00	0.00	5,306,149.00
3000-3999	NON-INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	637,360.00	52,298.00	0.00	689,658.00
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION	168,383.00	0.00	168,383.00	0.00
OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5110	Debt Service - Principal	1,040,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,040,000.00
5120	Debt Service - Interest	601,125.00	(41,375.00)	0.00	559,750.00
FUND TRANSFERS		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5220-5221	To Food Service	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00
5222-5229	To Other Special Revenue	439,739.00	(22,452.00)	0.00	417,287.00
5230-5239	To Capital Projects	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5251	To Capital Reserves	100,000.00	0.00	100,000.00	0.00
5252	To Expendable Trust	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00

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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Prior Year Adopted Operating Budget	Reductions & Increases	Minus 1-Time Appropriations	DEFAULT BUDGET
	FUND TRANSFERS	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5253	To Non-Expendable Trusts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5254	To Agency Funds	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5300-5399	Intergovernmental Agency Alloc.	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	SUPPLEMENTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	DEFICIT	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	SUBTOTAL 1	22,807,277.00	589,939.00	314,737.00	23,082,479.00

Please use the box below to explain increases or reductions in columns 4 & 5.

Acct #	Explanation for Increases or Reductions	Acct #	Explanation (Continued)
1100-1199	Increase- Teaching Staff Salary Contractual Agreement	2400-2499	Increase- Admin Staff Contractual Agreement
1100-1199	Increase- Add back 1 Aide, 1 Asst Teacher and 2 Teacher Positions	2400-2499	Increase- NEASC School Accreditation
1100-1199	Decrease - 1-Time Apprpriation for New Equip at Elem, Middle and HS	2500-2599	Increase- Admin Staff Contractual Agreement
1200-1299	Increase- Teaching Staff Contractual Agreement	2600-2699	Increase-Oil/Utility Cost and C/S Agreements
1200-1299	Increase- Teaching Supplies Related to Student IEP	2600-2699	Decrease - New Equipment Maintenance
1200-1299	Increase- New and Replacement Equipment Related to Student IEP	2700-2799	Increase - School Bus Contract
1400-1499	Increase - Contractual Obligation Transportation Contract	2800-2999	Increase - Benefits and Ins. Contr. Obligation
2000-2199	Increase- Teaching Staff SalaryContractual Agreement	3000-3999	Increase - Food Service Obligation
2000-2199	Decrease - New Equipment / Health	4000-4999	Decrease - 1-Time Facility Constr / Sidewalk
2200-2299	Increase- Teaching/Prof Staff Salary Contractual Agreement	5120	Decrease - Debt Service (Interest)
2200-2299	Decrease - New AV Equipment	5251	Decrease - 1-Time Roof/Boiler Cap Reserve
2310-2319	Increase - Auditing C/S Servises and Criminal Record Checks		
2320-2399	Increase- Admin Staff Contractual Agreement		

