

GILFORD BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
March 28, 2007
Town Hall

The Board of Selectmen convened in a regular session on Wednesday, March 28, 2007 at 3:00 p.m. at the Gilford Town Hall, 47 Cherry Valley Road, Gilford, NH. Selectmen present were Chairman Alice H. Boucher and Connie Grant. Also present were Assistant Town Administrator Debra Shackett and Administrative Secretary Sandra J. Bailey. Absent were Selectman Gus Benavides and Town Administrator Evans Juris.

1.0 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – The Selectmen recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance, Chairman Boucher presented outgoing Selectman Dennis Doten with a plaque, in recognition of his years of service to the Town. Police Chief John Markland also presented Mr. Doten with a plaque of appreciation from the Police Department.

2.0 **REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – The Board of Selectmen approved the regular and non-public minutes of the Selectmen's meeting of March 14, 2007; regular minutes of the March 14, 2007 Sewer Hearing; and the regular minutes of the special Selectmen's meeting of March 19, 2007.

3.0 **PUBLIC HEARING – BEACH RULES** – Chairman Boucher opened the public hearing and turned it over to Parks and Recreation Director Herb Greene, who provided an overview of the proposed changes to the Town's Beach Rules. He provided a brief explanation of the minor changes to Rule 17.6 and 19, followed by a more extensive explanation of the proposed Guest Card policy. He explained how guest cards are currently handled by Parks and Recreation staff and how they would be handled with the proposed change, using the same procedure as that with the Glendale Docks Guest Cards.

Don Ames then read a portion of the deed from Frank Varney, which conveyed the Beach to the Town of Gilford with conditions. Mr. Ames feels that if the guest card policy were put into effect that it would infringe on this 1943 deed.

Comments opposing the new Guest Card Policy were received from Elizabeth Mead, Wilma Harrington, Linda Bettoney and Cindy Moulton. Don Spear reiterated the comments made by Don Ames regarding the deed for the property.

Parks and Recreation Director Herb Greene further clarified the proposed Beach Card Policy, responding to some of the comments from the public. He thanked the public for their input and participation.

Chairman Boucher suggested that a second public hearing, to be held in the evening, be scheduled. The date will be forthcoming. Further discussion ensued on the issue of potential misuse of guest cards.

The public hearing was closed at 3:30 p.m.

4.0 APPOINTMENTS

- 4.1 Charles Boucher - ZBA**
- 4.2 Lee Duncan – Conservation Commission**
- 4.3 Douglas Hill – Conservation Commission**
- 4.4 Paula McDonald – Conservation Commission**
- 4.5 Miriam York – Recreation Commission**
- 4.6 Thomas Francoeur – Recreation Commission**
- 4.7 Julie McConnell – Historic District Commission**

The Board of Selectmen considered the above-mentioned applicants for re-appointment to their respective boards and committees. In attendance were Charles Boucher, Lee Duncan, Miriam York and Thomas Francoeur. Each applicant provided a brief personal history and why they would like to be re-appointed.

Connie Grant moved to re-appoint Charles Boucher to the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Alice Boucher seconded. Connie Grant voted in the affirmative and Alice Boucher abstained. Motion carried.

Connie Grant moved to re-appoint Lee Duncan, Douglas Hill, Miriam York, Thomas Francoeur and Julie McConnell to their respective boards and committees. Alice Boucher seconded. Motion carried.

Paula McDonald's re-appointment will be reviewed at the April 11, 2007 Selectmen's meeting.

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

- 5.1 New Fire Truck Contract** – Fire Chief Jim Hayes was in attendance to request that the Board sign a contract for a new fire truck in the amount of \$270,376.00 with KME Fire Apparatus. The contract was signed as requested. This contract is separate from the lease agreement.
- 5.2 Sidewalk Request** – Chairman Boucher stated that Misty Harbor Resort has requested that a crosswalk be painted on Route 11-B in front of the resort. The Board will receive input from the Police Department prior to the April 11, 2007 meeting, when this matter will be discussed.

5.3 **D.A.R.E. Donation** – Police Chief John Markland was in attendance seeking authorization from the Board to accept a donation from Uno’s Chicago Grill in the amount of \$281.81. Connie Grant moved to authorize the acceptance of \$281.81 for the D.A.R.E. Program. Alice Boucher seconded. Motion carried.

5.4 **Treem Abatement Request** – Deputy Town Clerk Jennifer Mooney explained that there has been some confusion in the matter of the correct address for Mr. Treem, resulting in the accrual of interest on his property tax bill. Assistant Town Administrator Shackett provided additional information.

Connie Grant moved to deny the request for abatement. Alice Boucher seconded. Motion carried.

5.5 **Winnepesaukee Road Race** – Chairman Boucher provided a brief overview of a request from the North Medford Club to hold their annual road relay race on September 22, 2007.

Connie Grant moved to approve the request of the North Medford Club to hold their annual road relay race on September 22, 2007 between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., pending coordination with the Gilford Police Department. Alice Boucher seconded. Motion carried.

5.6 **USDA Request** – Chairman Boucher stated that this request is made annually from the USDA for permission to utilize launching and parking privileges at the Glendale Docks.

Connie Grant moved to authorize the USDA to utilize the Glendale Docks for launching and parking in the upper lot, with the stipulation that it only be permitted between Monday and Thursday. Alice Boucher seconded. Motion carried.

5.7 **Sewer Van Bid** – DPW Director Sheldon Morgan requested authorization to purchase a 2008 Chevrolet van from Hilltop Chevrolet at State bid price. Connie Grant moved to authorize the purchase of a 2008 Chevrolet van from Hilltop Chevrolet, in the amount of \$16,617.58. Alice Boucher seconded. Motion carried.

5.8 **Resignation - Dion** – Sheldon Morgan reported the resignation of DPW laborer, Alex Dion. Connie Grant moved to accept the resignation of Alex Dion. Alice Boucher seconded. Motion carried.

5.9 **Summer Hire** – Sheldon Morgan asked the Board to approve the re-hiring of Evan Williams for the summer season. He stated that he was an employee last summer and recommends his re-hiring.

Connie Grant moved to authorize the re-hiring of Evan Williams as a laborer for the summer season, at the same pay rate as last year. Alice Boucher seconded. Motion carried.

5.10 **Alternate Budget Committee Representative** – Chairman Boucher explained the need for designating an alternate representative to the Budget Committee, in the event Gus Benavides is unable to attend a meeting.

Connie Grant moved to appoint Connie Grant and Alice Boucher as alternate Selectmen representatives to the Budget Committee. Alice Boucher seconded. Motion carried.

5.11 **Alton Gilford Route 11 – Reconstruction Project #10606** – Sheldon Morgan provided the Board with an overview of his memo dated March 19, 2007, regarding the Route 11 Reconstruction Project. He cited the environmental and financial issues that are involved in this project and asked the Board to sign a letter of commitment asking the State to still give consideration to the improvement of Route 11.

The Board concurred that this is an important issue and signed the letter of commitment.

6.0 **OLD BUSINESS**

6.1 **Durrell Mountain Road** – DPLU Director John Ayer provided an update on Karen Feltham's request to utilize a portion of the Class VI section of Durrell Mountain Road to access her home in Belmont. Mr. Ayer advised the Board that Town Counsel has indicated that RSA 674:42 requires the Planning Board to review this request. It will be placed on their April 16, 2007 agenda. The Board of Selectmen will take up this matter again at their April 25, 2007 meeting.

6.2 **Meadowbrook Sign Request** – John Ayer provided an update on the Meadowbrook sign request. This matter must be reviewed by the Planning Board, Conservation Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment, prior to a public hearing being held by the Board of Selectmen. This is a requirement of an ordinance recently approved at Town Meeting. Connie Grant stated that she would like to be able to help Meadowbrook expedite the approval process. Further discussion ensued.

7.0 PUBLIC INPUT – Jim McBride asked if the Board would be addressing the Glendale rules this year. Sheldon Morgan reported that the Committee met this morning and the results of the meeting would be forthcoming.

Joe Hoffman pointed out that he proposed a Code of Ethics in 1995 and it was opposed by Evans Juris, Phil Arel, Dave Caron and Walter Mitchell.

8.0 SIGNATURES

<u>DATE SIGNED</u>	<u>DOCUMENT</u>	<u>MAP/LOT #</u>
02/18/07	Change of Status - Seager	
02/22/07	Pole & Petition License - Broadview Terrace	
03/07/07	Abatement - Carye	240-001.000
03/07/07	Abatement - Carye	225-030.200
03/09/07	Payroll Register	
03/11/07	Change of Status - Merrill	
03/12/07	Payroll Register	
03/13/07	Accounts Payable Manifest	
03/14/07	Tax Collector's Warrant - Sewer Rents	
03/14/07	Abatement - Freeman	267-012.042
03/14/07	Abatement - Sigai	252-053.025
03/14/07	Abatement - Melbourne	240-049.000
03/14/07	Abatement - Decato	256-002.000
03/15/07	Accounts Payable Manifest	
03/15/07	Payroll Register	
03/15/07	MS-2	
03/16/07	Veteran's Tax Credit - Lekebusch	216-089.000
03/16/07	Veteran's Tax Credit - Bastille	253-015.000
03/19/07	Current Use Application - D'Arcy	256-004.000
03/19/07	Current Use Application - Fountain	240-026.000
03/23/07	Abatement - Boles	254-029.000
03/23/07	Abatement - Golden	213-013.206
03/23/07	Abatement - Ashley	223-004.000
03/23/07	Abatement - Baldwin	213-013.015
03/28/07	Change of Status - Williams	
03/28/07	Agreement of Sale for Fire Apparatus	
03/28/07	Appointment Form – Duncan, Hill	
03/28/07	Appointment Form –Boucher	
03/28/07	Appointment Form - York	
03/28/07	Appointment Form - Francoeur	
03/28/07	Appointment Form - McConnell	
04/07/07	Change of Status - Tanner	

9.0 **SELECTMEN'S ISSUES** – None.

10.0 **ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

10.1 **2007 Budget Review** – Assistant Town Administrator Shackett provided Board members with a budget update as of March 28, 2007. This review is provided in a new format which compares shows 2006 and 2007 expenditures.

10.2 **Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics** – Chairman Boucher read from a prepared statement regarding the proposed Code of Conduct and Code of Ethics. She indicated that this will be further reviewed at a Selectmen's work session and was a recommendation of the 2004 MRI Report.

10.3 **Non-Public Session – RSA 91-A:3 II (a)(c)** – The Board of Selectmen on a roll call vote entered Non-Public Session at 4:15 p.m. Present were Selectmen Alice Boucher and Connie Grant, Assistant Town Administrator Debra Shackett and Administrative Secretary Sandra Bailey.

While in Non-Public Session, the Board of Selectmen discussed personnel matters.

While in Non-Public Session, no action was taken.

The Board exited Non-Public session at 4:33 p.m.

11.0 **NEXT MEETING** – April 2, 2007 at 3:00 P.M. (work session) and April 11, 2007 at 3:00 P.M. (regular meeting).

12.0 **ADJOURNMENT** – With no further business before the Board, the Board of Selectmen's March 28, 2007 meeting was adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra J. Bailey
Administrative Secretary