

TOWN OF GILFORD
BUDGET COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 30, 2014

The Budget Committee convened a duly posted, public meeting on Thursday, October 9, at 6:30pm
In the 1st floor Conference Room at Town Hall

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

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

Chairman Corrigan started with a welcome to the new Secretary and intro to the board members
Also expressed a thank you to Scott for his secretarial duties the last few months

Minutes of October 23 were approved, moved by Norm and seconded by Bob vote on motion 2 extensions, 2 absence

- 1) **PARKS & REC:** Herb Greene presented. Oct 23 meeting. Budget \$246,883 includes. warrant article Recreation facilities at reserve fund \$15,000 \$9394 increase. Wages and benefits wages up slightly at \$2877.00 Phyllis asked why the OT was up so high since they are already over budget, Herb explained They had an unanticipated staffing change and that it would not be the same for next year. Also Phyllis wanted to know when beach was closed and was informed this was on old Home Day,(24th).

A) Operating expenses: Budget was \$47,805 up \$20,517, Public Notice /Training & Postage & Printing was down, whereas Meals and Travel where Supplies look like they are up but can be justified . Sue asked about beach hydration supplies and what that is for, Herb noted this is water for the staff . Was also asked to explain tests that are done here or offsite was told the tests were done by DES. Tests must be done until water comes back clean. Additionally, employee background checks were noted that All seasonal employees are checked yearly

B) Small Equipment : up \$150 (cart, lawn mower Picnic table) General Equip up \$350 Water up \$150 due increased irrigation to baseball field

C) Warrant Articles: Rec facilities want \$20,000, board of selectman recommends \$15,000 for erosion of beach. This project depletes the Federal Reserve fund. Belknap Landscape gave a quote (\$3,400) and engineering study. No other Landscape company has been called out for bid; App expires in 2 years (est) DA permit was approved last year. Carol Hall, (Chairman of Conservation) addressed the committee to let them know they are well aware of what is being planned.

Kevin made a motion to recommend to voters by the budget committee, 2nd by Norm:

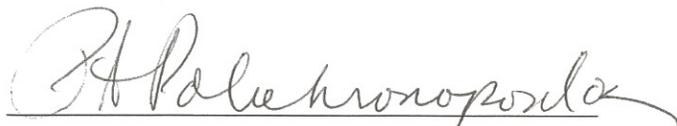
Without Warrant: \$231,883 for FY215 Vote 10-1

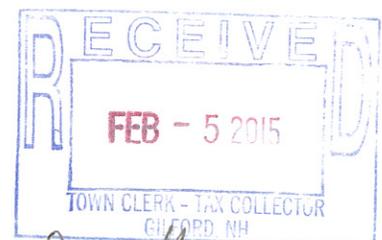
With Warrant: \$15,000 Vote 10-1

- 2) SKATING RINK: Wages & Benefits \$2547.00 Operating \$5922 up \$204.00, Telephone & Electric Up \$172. **Vote Norm moved to accept budget for rink, 2nd by Allen Vote: Unanimous**
Signed copies to go to Town Clerk
- 3) CONSERVATION: Board of Selectmen recommended \$24,800 13.2% increase: Allen opened for Carol Hall to take the podium Black Brook Watershed (Book passed out). Commission is requesting \$4000 to do a Geomorphologic Assessment. This is the only monetary investment for Gilford to make Lee Duncan, Deputy Chair explained that several landowners are contributing as well as the city of Laconia. John Ayer, Town Planner explained that mineral water is in the same area
Al moved to accept request, Norm 2nd Vote Unanimous
- 4) PLANNING & LAND USE: John Ayer took the podium. Budget \$294,224 \$500 less than last year, 2.1% increase for wages for one employee who has been reclassified due to Professional Development. Asking for \$2000 for Director Ayer to travel to a Planning Conference in Atlanta GA. Office Equipment down due to copy machine payoff, Vehicle Maintenance reduced, there have been no expenditures. Jeff Hayes, Planning Land Use passed out a report of what we are paying & what we can expect to pay going forward.
Vote to agree with new budget of \$293,724, \$5525 increase from 2013. Al moved to agree Bob 2nd Vote 8-2 1 Exemption (Norm)
- 5) TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR: Denise took the podium \$364,933 decrease from present budget. Wages & Bene's: Increased Dept Head, part time employees \$319,250, Operating budget for software, Up 3%, General Supplies up from \$800-\$1000. Replacement of 3 chairs \$45,083. Mandatory Record Keeping (Digital and Paper)
Move to change line item to \$365,133 from Phyllis, Kevin 2nd Vote: Unanimous
- 6) ELECTIONS: \$8036 down from last year Asking \$9945 to replace voting booths, ect
Moved to agree by Phyllis Kevin 2nd Vote Unanimous
- 7) Bar St and Emery Management will be voted on without writing up
- 8) PATRIOT PURPOSES: \$125.00 Memorial Day budget, **Moved to accept by Norm, AL 2nd Vote Unanimous**
- A) Richard to check into putting flags back out by Veterans Day
B) Phyllis out of town next week, Kevin to take her place

At 8:40PM Phyllis made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Kevin and passed with all in favor

Respectfully submitted,


Patricia Polichronopoulos, Secretary



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