

TOWN OF GILFORD  
BUDGET COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
December 11, 2014

The Budget Committee convened a duly posted, public meeting on Thursday, Dec 11, at 6:30pm in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor Conference Room at Town Hall.

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

Allen Voivod was absent

Present were Superintendent Hemingway, Scott Isabelle, Sue Allen School Board Chair, Danielle Bolduc, Middle School Principal Cindy Leggett & High School Assistant Principal Anthony Sperazzo

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

N.Silber made a motion to accept the minutes of Dec 5 as corrected, seconded R Grenier and voted 11-0.

SCHOOL BUDGET, SPECIAL PROJECTS:

Danielle Bolduc gave a summary of design elements & fundraising in the construction of the new playground. She ran a detailed slide show during her presentation. Discussion from the committee included material used, cost, visibility concerns, possible future expansion and fundraising ideas.

N. Silber moved to approve \$106,500.00 Budget amount for demolition, removal and replacement of Imagination Station seconded by K.Leandro with a \$6500.00 amendment for demo alone, Vote for All in favor 11-0

MIDDLE SCHOOL:

N.Silber presented a recommendation for sub committee. It was recognized that N Silber was the only budget committee member to attend the budget meeting, therefore tonight's meeting will provide the Quarum for the sub committee.

During the question and answer session, C.Leggett approached podium to discuss and defend the new "Math Series", student activity stipends, special warrant article on coach stipends, after school program and 2.5 % salary increase for support staff.

N.Silber moved to approve the proposed budget minus \$30,000, bringing budget to \$2, 316.500.00, second by S.Greene Voted 3-8 failed

N.Silber moved to approve \$2,346,500.00, seconded by B. Henderson Vote 8-3 Passed

HIGH SCHOOL:

N. Silber presented the findings of the sub committee. After a brief question and answer session with A. Sperazzo:

N.Silber moved to accept proposed budget of \$4,207,619.00, second by K Leandro Voted 11-0 All in Favor

N. Silber moved to accept \$130,385.00 for 57 Accounts Shared Services, Second by D. Horvath and passed All in favor 11-0

D. Horvath recommended that the school and town budgets keep the same gas prices across the board and was told that this will be tabled for now and will be brought up again at the town meeting in January

P. Corrigan moved to accept school budget of \$1,995,130.00 K. Roy second Vote 10-1  
1 Abstain

**The following next two paragraphs (Subcommittee Assignments and Remaining meetings for 2015 budget) will stay on the minutes for the duration of the term for reference**

SUBCOMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

Federal Project/Food Service, District Wide Assignments and Maintenance (12/1): **D. Horvath, K. Roy and K. Leandro**

Middle School (12/11): **N.Silber, F. Butler & J.Beane**

High School (12/11): **N. Silber, K. Leandro & R Henderson**

Elementary (12/18): **P. Corrigan, S. Greene & J. Beane**

Special Ed (12/18): **J. Beane, R. Henderson & P.Corrigan**

Technology: (12/18): **A. Voivod, F. Butler & K. Roy**

School Budget/Default Budget & Warrant Articles January 8

Gunstock Acres Village Water District January 8

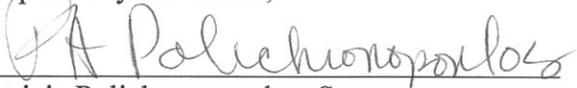
Budget hearing must be between the 13<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>; Committee decided on 13 & 15<sup>th</sup> of January  
School Tuesday (1/13)  
Town Thursday (1/15) Both meetings to commence at 7 PM at the High School

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

P. Corrigan advised all members to make sure the signed copies from the sub committees are turned into the town clerk

At 9:15PM K. Thurston made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by K. Leandro and passed all in favor (11-0).

Respectfully submitted,

  
Patricia Polichronopoulos, Secretary

Approved by the Budget Committee on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

