

Gilford Conservation Commission and Planning & Land Use Subcommittee Report

The Gilford Conservation Commission and Planning & Land Use Subcommittee Report meet on the 13th of November at the Gilford Town Hall. In attendance were Peter Morrissette, Lee Duncan Conservation Commission Vice-Chair, Carol Hall-Conservation Chair, and John Ayer-Planning & Land Use Director and for the budget committee Tom Chase and Sean Murphy-Budget Committee Chair. The meeting started at 6:02 pm in Conference Room B.

Conservation Commission

The 2018 approved budget is for \$29,750 while in 2019 the Board of Selectman are recommending a budget of \$27,500, a decrease of \$2,250 or 7.56%. Even though there is a decrease of \$2,250 for Professional Services the question was asked why they have not expended a majority of the appropriation at this time. The reason is that the work is being done now and over the next month and a half they will be getting bills. Even though the Invasive Species Management account is level founded there was discussion about what this line goes for. About \$1,000 goes towards NH Lakes-Lake Host who checks boats coming out of the lake for milfoil, \$3,500 goes toward milfoil eradication at Lakeshore Park and \$15,500 goes toward's milfoil eradication at Glendale Cove Area and the Town Docks. Some of the increase 2 years ago is that under OSHA

guidelines there now has to be 3 people on the boat for milfoil operations instead of 2. The sub-committee recommends the budget recommended by the Board of Selectman 2-0.

Planning & Land Use

The 2018 approved budget is for \$327,340 while in 2019 the Board of Selectman are recommending a budget of \$329,026 an increase of \$1,686 or .51%. The line item for PT-Wages in 2018 was for \$5,850 which was for 3/4 of the year. The reason for no expenditures yet is that they are now advertising this position. In 2019 there is an increase of \$1,950 bringing the wages account to \$7,800 which is for the whole year. There is an \$599 increase in the Technical Services line bringing this to \$600. This is for 4 to 8 sound testings at Meadowbrook over next year's concert season. For Professional Development there is a \$1,875 increase, from \$1,425 to \$3,300 so that John Ayer can attend the national conference in San Francisco. Even though the Books & Publications line is level funded the committee brought up about going paperless and discussion ensued. The sub-committee recommends the budget recommended by the Board of Selectman 2-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.

Respectfull submitted,

Sean Murphy
Gilford Budget Committee Chair