

Town of Gilford Budget Committee
Parks and Recreation/Skating Rink Subcommittee
Meeting minutes of 20 Oct 2016

The Parks and Recreation/Skating Rink Subcommittee convened a posted meeting on 20 Oct 2016 a little bit after 2 o'clock. The meeting was held in the conference room of the Gilford Parks and Recreation Department in the Gilford Town Hall. The purpose of the meeting was to review the Parks and Recreation/Skating Rink proposed budgets.

Budget committee members in attendance were Sean Murphy and Peter Karagianis. Herb Greene, director of the Gilford Parks and Recreation department was there on behalf of the department.

Before we started the review, Herb Greene answered a question from Mr. Karagianis about who was responsible for the maintenance of the Meadows, by answering that it is the responsibility of the Gilford School District. Herb Greene then proceeded to talk about the properties that are under the purview of the Parks and Recreation Department. The properties are the Village Field (from the tennis courts to the left field fence at the Francoeur Field), Stonewall Park on Stone Road, Lincoln Park on Belknap Point Road, Gilford Beach and the skating rink on Varney Point Road.

Herb Greene started off by saying that full time wages are only for his position and that the part-time wages are for his two assistants. The numbers for these two lines and next ten lines come down from the Finance Director or the Town Administrator's office.

Herb Greene brought attention to line item 4521-104 Seasonal Wages. He was hoping to budget an increase for the lifeguards and beach manager. His reasoning was that these positions are paid lower than what other communities

are paying (see attached handout in budget book.) The Board of Selectman recommended about \$ 1,873 decrease from last years budgeted amount, but recommended increasing the guard wages within the approved budget.

Line item 4521-232 Publishing notices sees a small increase over last year's budget. Line item 4521-237 Programs & Instructors will see a small decrease of \$ 500 from last year's budget. Herb Greene said that the decrease is do to the changes in offerings for after-school programs. Line item 4521-241 Professional Development sees an increase of \$ 1,635 over last year's budget. Herb Greene stated that this year he did not attend that national conference because the Board of Selectman recommended that department heads should attend the national conference every other year, and in 2017 Herb Greene plans on attending.

Line item 4521-321 General Supplies, Town Administrator Scott Dunn removed \$ 1,600 and moved into line item 4521-331 Uniform & Clothing Allowance which is a new line item. Line item 4521-451 New Equipment sees an increase of \$ 425. Herb Greene says that the biggest expense will be for a new rescue board to be used at the Town Beach.

Line item 4521-531 Concession Stand is a new line item in the budget. This line will be used for the exhaust and suppression system at the concession stand.

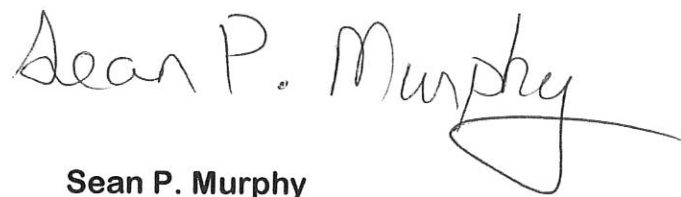
The 2016 budget is \$ 231,433, while the proposed budget for 2017 is \$ 234,094 for an increase of \$ 2,661 or an increase of 1.15%. Peter Karagianis and Sean Murphy agree with the recommended budget of the Board of Selectman for \$ 234,094.

The subcommittee then proceeded to the Skating Rink portion of the budget. Line item 4526-513 Heating Fuels is down about \$ 400. The 2016 Skating Rink budget was \$ 9,138 and in 2017 the Board of Selectman is proposing a budget of \$ 8,845 for a decrease of \$ 293 or a decrease of 3.21%. Peter

Karagianis and Sean Murphy recommend the budget proposed by the Board of Selectman for \$ 8,845.

The meeting adjourned a little bit after three o'clock.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sean P. Murphy". The signature is written in black ink and features a large, sweeping flourish at the end of the word "Murphy".

Sean P. Murphy