

TOWN OF GUILFORD SELECTMEN'S MEETING

February 2, 2010

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Thompson at 7:01 PM. Present were selectmen Michael Dexter, Rick Lander and Peter Martell, and guests, Bill Pearson from the Piscataquis Observer.
2. Motion made by Lander, seconded by Martell to approve minutes of the prior meeting. Unanimous.
3. Balance sheets distributed.
4. Letter from SAD#4 read advising that the board had voted to turn Guilford Primary School over to the town. This will now require a vote to accept it at the annual town meeting.
5. Selectmen signed deed returning tax acquired property to former owner.
6. It was noted that the medical building committee would be meeting at the town office on February 9th at 6:30 pm.
7. Reminder was given that budget committee would meet February 8th at the high school at 7:00 pm.
8. On a motion from Lander, seconded by Dexter, it was agreed to renew Roland Cookson's junkyard permit.

9. Manager informed the board that the Economic Development Board had engaged Harriman Associates to file a letter of intent with the office of community development as the first step in applying for a Housing Assistance Grant.

10. Discussion on acceptance of a septage contract was tabled until such time as the contract was presented.

11. The delinquent tax rate was set at seven percent and the return rate at three percent for the 2010 tax year.

12. Manager presented the 2010-2011 budget for board review. It was noted that due to anticipated water increases and a decrease in revenue sharing, the budget was up about two and one half percent overall.

13. Final notice given for warrant articles.

14. Under assessor's issues, it was voted to waive interest on one late account for justifiable reasons, an abatement was granted for property that had been removed prior to assessment date, and the manager was directed to gather information for review of an individual residential account for a later meeting.

15. Under other business, the board agreed that the fire department should sell truck 728 after delivery of the new pumper in March.

16. Martell moved that the meeting be adjourned. After a second by Lander, the meeting was adjourned unanimously at 8:07 PM.