

TOWN OF GUILFORD SELECTMEN'S MEETING

October 4, 2005

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Thompson at 7:01 PM. Present were selectmen Kent Burdin, Michael Dexter, Rick Lander, and Peter Martell, and guest, Sally Pearson.

2. Public Hearing called to order to discuss General Assistance Appendices. Sally Pearson asked what this was and the manager explained the G.A. model ordinance the need to annually update the dollar amounts provided to comply with the ordinance. On a motion from Burdin with a second from Dexter, the appendices A-C were unanimously approved.

3. Motion made by Martell, seconded by Lander, to approve minutes of previous meeting. Unanimous.

4. Balance sheets distributed. Lander inquired as to how we stood on heating and fuel costs. Manager stated we were OK for this fiscal year until January 31 as we had secured a fixed price on heating oil.

5. Thank you notes from Pine Tree Hospice and Guilford Historical Society read.

6. Letter of explanation and legal notification of HAD #4 borrowing resolution read to board. HAD #4 has agreed to submit a bond request for \$600,000.00 to the Maine Municipal Bond Bank for construction of a medical practice building in Milo.

7. Letter from Town of Buxton read regarding Katrina Relief Fund that they were organizing requesting funding from Maine towns. Lander moved to "pass over" the item, seconded by Burdin. Unanimous.

8. Manager gave update on CDBG Business Assistance grant. Check received on October 3, and deposited pending instructions and final closing date.
  
9. Manager reported we had 57 seniors signed up for the annual bus tour and that they went to Rangely today.
  
10. Tennis Court reconstruction has started with S&G Construction having been awarded the paving bid and Maine Track and Tennis having received the court surfacing portion.
  
11. Discussed request from Methodist Church to help with the cost of painting the tower housing the town clock, tabled from prior meeting. Martell moved that we donate \$600.00 from non-profits monies. Seconded by Burdin and accepted unanimously.
  
12. Manager announced that he would be at the Maine Municipal Convention in Augusta through Friday this week.
  
13. Mr. Ronald Vainio's retirement announced; becomes official October 31st. It was agreed to give him a stipend for 38 years of service of \$1500.00 on a motion from Burdin, seconded by Lander. Manager to determine some form of recognition for presentation at a later date.
  
14. Selectmen directed manager to select from among the applications and choose a new public works employee. The class 2 license requirement may be waived if the applicant can show that he can obtain one readily.
  
15. Under assessor's issues, one abatement request was reviewed and denied.
  
16. Other business: Dexter reported that the new floor had been installed in the medical building and that Mary was happy with the job done. Manager directed to discuss truck bid with fire department committee and ensure that proper bid protocols are being followed. The Department should prepare the specifications and present them to the town to send out bid requests.

17. A motion to adjourn by Burdin, and seconded by Lander was unanimous. Adjourned at 8:21 pm.