

TOWN OF GUILFORD SELECTMEN'S MEETING

January 3, 2012

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Thompson at 7:00 PM. Present were selectmen Kent Burdin, Michael Dexter, Rick Lander, Peter Martell, and guest, Bill Pearson from the Piscataquis Observer.

2. Motion made by Lander, seconded by Dexter to approve minutes of the prior meeting. Unanimous.

3. Balance sheets distributed and accepted.

4. Manager gave update on current status of town owned, tax acquired properties. Insurance proceeds have been received on the fire loss involving one of the properties; two are still occupied, by permission, until suitable arrangements have been made; and one is to be inspected for continued suitability as a dwelling.

5. Manager presented renewal contracts for fire protection for the towns of Abbot and Parkman. Moved by Burdin and seconded by Martell to sign and forward for the respective towns review. Unanimous.

6. Motion made by Lander to enter executive session as per MSRA § 404 (6) (A)&(D) to discuss salary and wages; seconded by Burdin; Time in : &:11. Motion by Lander, seconded by Dexter to exit the session; Time out: 7:29. Lander moved to equalize the public works employees' wages and to give all employees a twenty-five cent per hour raise. A unanimous vote followed a Burdin second of the motion. Lander then moved to increase the manager's salary by one thousand dollars annually; motion failed for lack of a second. Burdin moved to increase manager's salary by three percent; Martell seconded the motion and the motion carried by a four to one vote. Lander requested that wage and benefit statements be prepared for each

employee for review at a future date.

7. Second Notice for warrant articles was given to the board. Any additions are requested to be in the office by February 1st.

8. Under assessor's issues, an abatement previously ordered was presented for signatures.

9. Nothing was reported under Other Business.

10. Following a motion from Lander with a Burdin second, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.