

TOWN OF GUILFORD SELECTMEN'S MEETING

June 4, 2013

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Thompson at 7:00 pm. Present were selectmen Mike Dexter, Rick Lander, Kent Burdin, and Peter Martell; and guests Richard Panciera, Matt Holland, Edwin Davis, Martha Ward, and Paul Zimmerman.
2. Motion made by Lander, seconded by Dexter to approve minutes of the prior meeting. Unanimous.
3. Balance sheets distributed and accepted.
4. An update on the 2013 River Festival was given. Bands have been engaged; well known area favorites Emerald Sky and Stillwater will be on stage this year. The theme is "Redneck RiverFest" and there will be many additional features such as a water-slide bounce house, a pig scramble for the kids, and a fine fireworks display after dark (subject to item #9 below).
5. The board was reminded that the SAD #4 Budget Validation Referendum will be voted on June 11th in all district towns. This process was continued by district vote for a three year period and will be coming up for another vote.
6. The SAD#4 Pellet Boiler Project was discussed; The Board was informed that due to red tape in the process and snags beyond the district's control, legal notice requirements necessitated holding another district wide vote on a different, later date. This vote will be held on June 25th.
7. Manager presented an assessing contract from Danielle Smith with the changes requested from the prior meeting. Burdin moved to accept the contract as written, now to include a performance clause and a payment schedule. Dexter seconded the motion and the contract was approved by unanimous vote. Chairman Thompson noted that in his meetings with Ms. Smith she had been very accommodating and great to work with.
8. It was noted that the Summer Recreation Program applications had been sent out to area schools and Mr. Joe Gallant would again be operating the program for children age 5 up to those entering 6th grade in the fall. The successful program would again include physical games and activities as well as field trips to Peaks-Kenney State Park and other venues.
9. A contract for a fireworks show at the River Festival by Central Maine Pyrotechnics was presented along with an application that the State Fire Marshall requires from the property owner, (in this case, the Town of Guilford). Lander moved to approve both, Martell seconded the motion and the vote to accept was unanimous. Burdin moved and Martell also seconded a motion to authorize the manager to sign the appropriate papers on behalf of the town. Unanimous.

10. There being two openings for alternate members on the town planning board and two interested parties in attendance, Lander moved to appoint Martha Ward and Edwin Davis to fill the positions. Dexter seconded the motion and the two were appointed by unanimous vote.

11. It was decided to have the July meeting as scheduled and in the event taxes were committed prior to the meeting, the board authorized the manager to set the mil rate an such amount as is appropriate to fund those articles so voted at the March Town Meeting and that will afford the maximum overlay.

12. Under assessor's issues, Chairman Thompson indicated two residents had requested visitations from an assessor to discuss their valuations.

13. Under Other Business, Dexter explained the vote from Monday evening's Fire Department meeting wherein it was decided to split all donations received from controlled burns between the Fire Department's discretionary account and the general fund. Memorial donations will remain entirely with the department in their account.

14. Following a motion from Dexter with a Lander second, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 PM.