

TOWN OF GUILFORD SELECTMEN'S MEETING

July 2, 2013

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Thompson at 7:00 pm. Present were selectmen Mike Dexter, Rick Lander, and Kent Burdin and guest 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. A further update on the 2013 River Festival was given. Bands Emerald Sky and Stillwater will be on stage this year. There will be many additional features such as a 60 foot high tsunami water-slide and bounce house, a pig scramble for the kids, capped off by a large fireworks display after dark.
5. The board was informed that the SAD #4 Budget Validation Referendum vote of June 11th passed; the duplicative process will now continue for a three year period at considerable expense to all district communities. Guilford's cost exceeded three hundred dollars or approximately \$10.00 per vote.
6. The Board was told that the SAD#4 Pellet Boiler Project vote of June 25th had passed; this measure should save the district a significant amount in fuel costs after about an eight year pay-back.
7. Manager presented the bid specifications and the request for proposal notice that has been published seeking bids for the Guilford Library project and noted that bids are due on July 26th.
8. An application for off-premises beer sales was presented by the Red Maple Inn for a booth at the Rover Festival again this year. Lander moved to approve the application, Dexter seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.
9. An inquiry from Hubel Fields of Wells Fargo mortgage services was presented, asking the town if they would accept the property at 4 Grove Street as a gift. Dexter moved that we accept the offer and Lander seconded the motion which was unanimously approved. Lander then moved to review the property, secure the entry, and place it out for bid following the closing. Burdin seconded and the motion carried by unanimous vote.
10. Manager advised that bid specifications had been mailed to five area equipment dealers to solicit bids for a compact track loader to possibly replace the town's current Trackless sidewalk machine.
11. At 7:20 PM, Thompson called a public hearing to order to discuss the appendices for the

general assistance program. Manager explained the process and the pending changes in the program; the maximum allowance per household increased slightly from last year, effective July 1st; the electricity allowance is to increase only slightly effective October 1st; and the other maximums, (housing, food, and personal supplies), remain unchanged. Burdin and Dexter moved and seconded to end the hearing at 7:25 PM. Burdin then moved to accept the proposed changes to the ordinance, Lander seconded the motion and the various appendices were unanimously accepted.

12. Barry Goulette's resignation from the planning board was read and accepted following a motion by Dexter, seconded by Burdin.

13. Martha Ward, currently an alternate member, was appointed to fill the position on a motion by Dexter seconded by Burdin. Unanimous.

14. Two appointments were made to fill two open seats on the Appeals Board following Lander's motion and Dexter's second. Barry Goulette and Paul Stearns were unanimously approved for the positions.

15. The 2013-2014 mil rate was set at .01365 which represents an increase over last year of three quarters of a mil or 75 cents more per thousand dollars of value. The school budget increased \$57,000.00 and the towns' share of Revenue Sharing dropped by over \$35,000.00, so the increase was not due to municipal spending. Danielle Smith did an excellent job preparing the assessment and Michelle and Diane were able to sort, fold, seal and mail the bills after one day of intensive labor!

16. Under assessor's issues, the board certified the assessment preparatory to sending it in to the State.

17. There were no issues brought to the table under Other Business.

18. Following a motion from Lander with a Burdin second, the meeting was adjourned at 7:49 PM.