

TOWN OF GUILFORD SELECTMEN'S MEETING

August 6, 2013

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Thompson at 7:00 pm. Present were selectmen Mike Dexter, Rick Lander, Peter Martell and Kent Burdin and guests Bob Pollard and Bob Hall representing their equipment companies.
2. Motion made by Lander, seconded by Dexter to approve minutes of the prior meeting. Unanimous.
3. Balance sheets distributed and accepted.
4. An email from Hubel Fields of Wells-Fargo Mortgage Co. was read, reneging on their offer to donate the 4 Grove Street property simply stating they have "other plans."
5. Manager opened bids for the compact track loader as advertised. Bids were received from five vendors. Manager cautioned those in attendance that before any choice is made, the bids will be reviewed and compared to the required specifications and a decision would be forthcoming soon.
6. A final update on the 2013 River Festival was given. The 60 foot long tsunami water-slide was a tremendous hit and the pig scramble for the kids exceeded all expectations. The large fireworks display prompted many compliments and the silent parade was the source of many favorable comments.
7. One bid was received on the Library bid, from BNF out of Bingham, in the amount of \$26,790.25. After discussion, Burdin moved to accept the bid, subject to a comparison with the specifications. Dexter seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous. The board directed the manager and Martell to complete the review and if favorable, to proceed to contract with BNF.
8. Manager reported that the final check had been received and the tax acquired property at 531 Blaine Avenue was now privately owned.
9. The August board meeting is when the selectmen determine where to spend the non-profit dollars. Lander moved and Burdin seconded awarding donations exactly as last year; Eastern Area Agency on Aging, \$1500.00; Community Health and Counseling Service, \$875.00; Pine Tree Hospice, \$600.00; American red Cross, \$1514.00; Guilford Historical Society, \$1500.00; and Womancare, \$1500.00. Unanimous vote.
10. Manager gave a brief update on the progress at the future Family Dollar site, stating that a permit for their entrance was holding things up. A parking ordinance amendment would be required to facilitate the permit, banning all parking on the west side of South Main Street.

Manager quoted the statute from MSRA 30-A § 3009 which states that the municipal officers have sole authority to enact traffic laws, but added the past practice had been to take the ordinances to town meeting for approval. Due to safety concerns Burdin moved to eliminate parking in this area and post notices accordingly. Lander seconded and the motion carried by unanimous vote.

11. Annual elections of officers will be held in October at the Maine Municipal Association conference. The board named the manager as the voting delegate to the meeting following a Burdin motion and Dexter second to the motion.

12. Lander moved, Dexter seconded, and by unanimous vote, Stephanie Doore was named to fill the opening representing Guilford on the HAD #4 board of directors. She had attended the orientation session on July 17th in anticipation of the appointment and will be a welcome addition to the board.

13. Eric Curtis was appointed to the Board of Appeals, bringing that board to a full complement of five members. Lander motion, Burdin second, unanimous vote.

14. Duane Huff had asked the board to consider action on the old dilapidated tool shed at Elmwood Cemetery. Board agreed to have manager determine final plan and authorize clean up of the structure.

15. Womancare had requested use of the athletic field facility as the base for their fund raising/ awareness project, the Race to End Domestic Abuse. Burdin moved to grant permission for this event, Lander seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

16. Pole permits from Central Maine Power asking to locate two poles on the Sebec Shores Road. Lander motion, Burdin second, unanimous vote.

17. Manager announced he would be attending an executive board meeting of the Maine Town, City and County Managers Association in Newry on August 13th, and the subsequent MTCMA Institute on the 14th through 16th.

18. Following a motion from Burdin with a Lander second, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.