

TOWN OF GUILFORD SELECTMEN'S MEETING

December 3 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; Dodie Curtis from the library board of trustees, Matt Holland and Lou Sidell from the planning board.
2. Motion made by Lander, seconded by Martell to approve minutes of the prior meeting. Unanimous.
3. Balance sheets distributed and accepted.
4. Final audit presented; copies distributed.
5. A brochure from the Municipal Review Committee was distributed to the board. This is the association of 187 member communities that handles our solid waste concerns through PERC. The present contract expires in 2018 and there are owners other than the MRC whose mission may not be as municipally or environmentally oriented as our own. There will be a meeting December 11th from 3:00 to 5:00 PM at the Cross Insurance Center in Bangor to discuss the planning process and steps being taken to ensure a smooth, cost-effective transition beyond the expiring contract.
6. December 7th is the date for the Hometown Holidays Celebration in many area communities. Guilford's schedule of events includes an 8:00 AM breakfast at the Valley Grange hall; an Open House at Guilford Historical Society featuring free cocoa and sweets beginning at 5:00 PM, and the traditional Tree Lighting with Santa and Mrs. Claus at 6:00, followed by a bonfire and caroling featuring the P.C.S.S. chorus under the direction of Julie Harrington.
7. Manager reported that a hearing on proposed fireworks ordinance design was held on November 20th with 35 in attendance. Although the majority of opinions expressed were against the use of fireworks, the group was evenly split between an outright, total ban and an ordinance with reasonable restrictions. The planning board will be preparing two articles for the annual meeting warrant to be acted upon at the March meeting.
8. Manager reported that the MT-Series 5 Trackless had been sold to North Yarmouth and that they were pleased with it. The \$35,000.00 proceeds from the sale will go towards the cost of the Bobcat™ compact track loader previously purchased.
9. On behalf of the directors of the Guilford Memorial Library, Dodie Curtis outlined proposed revisions to the Library Director job description and requirements and discussed the process to replace our current director following her spring retirement. Lander moved to accept the changes in job requirements, Martell seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote. Manager will check with MMA on proper protocol to fill the position and will meet with trustees

as part of the selection process.

10. It was announced that on November 15th, Governor Paul LePage was in town to tour True Textiles, Inc., and Hardwood Products Co. LLC and Puritan Medical Supply. True had invited the manager to join them for the visit at the end of which, the Governor and several legislators in attendance were given framed State seals, woven by the factory. One was also presented to be displayed in the town office.

11. The planning board proposed Clayton Griffin for the position of alternate member. It was moved by Burdin and seconded by Dexter to so appoint; so voted.

12. The budget committee meeting date was set for February 10th, 7:00 pm at P.C.S.S. Postcards will go out notifying all committee members.

13. Manager gave the board first notice for warrant articles. If any board member has any particular item they want printed on the warrant for the annual town meeting, they need to have them turned in on or before February 4th to meet the requirements of posting as well as publication in the annual town report.

14. A list of tax acquired properties was presented; two small lots on Blaine Avenue, both "owner unknown", and a residence on Grove Street, formerly owned by Peter and Wanda Drummond. Manager directed to solicit bids for all.

15. Under assessor's issues, a meeting was planned among the town assessor, Selectman Burdin, and True Textiles, tentatively scheduled for December 10th.

16. Under Other Business, it was mentioned that BNF Contractors had begun work on the library project.

17. Following a motion from Burdin with a Lander second, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM.