

TOWN OF GUILFORD SELECTMEN'S MEETING

February 3, 2015

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Bill Thompson at 7:00 pm. Present were selectmen Mike Dexter, Kent Burdin, Rick Lander, and Peter Martell.
2. Motion made by Lander, seconded by Martell to approve minutes of the prior meeting. Unanimous.
3. Balance sheets distributed. Chair moved agenda items 9. and 10. ahead and started the hearings at 7:01; see items below.
4. Read letter of interest from Superintendent Kirkpatrick regarding future of space at former Guilford Primary building.
5. Read updates from M.D.O.T. on bridge project and noted that they will need a construction easement from the town for land on South Main Street.
6. The County Tax Warrant was received, shared, and the Return signed. The estimated amount of \$182,354.00 was unchanged.
7. Moosehead Enterprises Inc, notice read; the cable rates are changing again effective February 1st.
8. An update was given on the tax acquired properties; one had been returned to the owner as per prior agreement and fulfillment of requirements and two will be put up for bid following advertised bid notices.
9. The public hearing on the proposed amendment to the Land Use Ordinance was opened by Chairman Thompson at 7:01. There were five citizens in attendance. Manager summarized the intent of the proposal to allow chicken raising within the water and sewer districts with certain restrictions and requirements. One comment that the ordinance was well written and that in this economy, some folks would like the opportunity to "grow their own".
10. A public hearing was then held to discuss a Shoreland Zoning Ordinance update. Planning Board member Lou Sidell explained its purpose and intent and recommended it be tabled until an accompanying map could be completed.
11. On a motion from Burdin, seconded by Lander, the 2015 delinquent tax rate was set at 7% and the return rate at 3%. Unanimous.
12. Manger presented a proposed change to the personnel policy in which Holiday hours would be considered "hours worked" for calculation of overtime purposes. On a motion from

Burdin, both Holiday and Bereavement hours would be counted as actual work hours. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

13. The annual audit booklets were distributed to the board.

14. Final reminder given that the Budget Committee meeting will be held February 9th at P.C.S.S. at 7:00 PM.

15. Final notice given for warrant articles.

16. Manager presented his annual budget for the 2015-2016 year. Any changes were noted and explained as well as a few unknown events that could have an effect on the final numbers. Lander moved that the sum of \$5,000.00 be included, from surplus, to help fund up-front costs of the Bicentennial events for our 200th anniversary in 2016. Burdin seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

17. No discussion under Other Business.

18. Following a motion from Burdin with a second from Dexter, the meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM.