

TOWN OF GUILFORD SELECTPERSON'S MEETING

December 10, 2019

1. Meeting was called to order by Chairman Thompson at 7:00 p.m. Present were selectmen Kent Burdin, Peter Martell and Paul Zimmerman. David Wilson, town manager and members of the public were also present.
2. Motion made and seconded to approve the previous meeting's minutes. Vote was unanimous.
3. Balance sheets were distributed.
4. Scheduled Guests: None.
5. Appointments. Monica Dyson was appointed unanimously as Town Clerk, Deputy Treasurer, Deputy Tax Collector, Deputy Fire Warden and Registrar of Voters.
6. Tabled until later in meeting (After Item #7).
7. Old Business. Tax acquired properties and Policy. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Town's Policy on Tax Acquired Properties. The board had reviewed the policy and there were no questions or comments. Vote was unanimous.

After the vote the manager presented three properties now in tax acquired status.

- A. 70 High Street. Unoccupied residence and garage. Bradley Bouton and his wife were in the audience and expressed interest in the property. They stated they wished to own this property which abuts theirs. Their intentions were to take down the residence which is in disrepair prior to April 1st however leave the garage standing and were willing to pay the back taxes owed on the property which amounted to date to \$3,095.92. As outlined in the Policy, abutting landowners are to be considered in lieu of a bid process on tax acquired properties if the Board wishes to dispose of a tax acquired property on behalf of the town. Motion was made and seconded to sell the property at 70 High Street, Tax Map 14, Lot 14, to Bradly Bouton for \$3095.92 with condition that the residence (minus the garage) be removed from the property prior to April 1, 2020. Vote was unanimous.
- B. 14 Maple Street. It was noted that this property still has occupants. The manager stated that along with the back taxes he'd like to see the back funds owed to the Guilford-Sangerville Sanitary District collected as well. After discussion motion was made and seconded to place this property out to bid with minimum bid accepted at \$5,000.00. Condition of the RFP to include a 'Buyer Beware' clause meaning potential buyers are responsible to research any other liens against said property prior to bidding and that the property comes with a tenant that the buyer will be responsible for evicting or otherwise. Vote was unanimous.

C. 78 Blaine Avenue. This property is 'Undevelopable' and consists of only 0.17 acres in size. After discussion the decision was made to take no action on this property. This will be deeded to the Town of Guilford until further notice.

8. **New Business. Job Descriptions.** In the continuing effort to have municipal job descriptions on file the manager presented job descriptions for Public Works Supervisor/Road Commissioner and Public Works Employee. Both were adopted as presented.

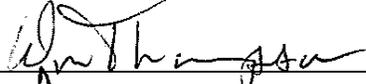
9. **Manager's Report.**

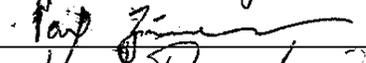
A. The manager stated he would like to revitalize the Economic Development Committee and presented a vision for the committee to include representatives from local area business and other local managers. The manager stated his vision was not to have the Committee bound by town lines but to make it a local area EDC for the enhancement of the entire community. The Board was agreeable to this.

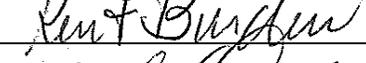
B. The manager asked the Board as to the schedule they'd like to see for Christmas Eve. The decision was made to close the municipal offices at noon on that day.

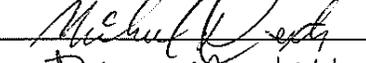
10. **Any other business –** Question was raised about sidewalk snow removal during the last storm. The manager stated that the sidewalk snow removal equipment had broken down during cleanup which caused a delay in the process.

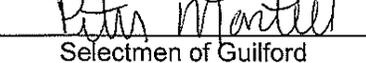
11. It was moved and seconded to adjourn at 7:49 p.m.











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