

Gilsum Board of Selectmen  
Minutes 04/12/21  
held at Gilsum Public Library 6:00 pm  
Present; Bart Cushing , Vicki Ayer, Clem Lounder

6:00 pm Cushing calls meeting to order, welcomes public comment throughout the meeting.

**Minutes-** 04/05/21 Ayer forgot to bring minutes to meeting.

**Town Office Keys have been changed.**

**Road Agent-** Harlen Maguire;

2 new doors needed at Highway Garage estimate received from Sam Maguire of \$900  
additional security wall to prevent future theft and cement pad for fuel tanks estimate  
received from Sam Maguire of \$6500

Maguire- would like to know if this can be expended under a different budget?

Ayer - how many times has fuel been stolen?

Maguire – once in 16 years

Ayer- suggests security cameras lower cost but effective deterrent

Cushing – suggests an entrance gate be installed

Laborer position still vacant.

Cushing posted position on Craigslist

Ayer will post on NHMA

**Frog Pond-** Dam boards have failed.

Maguire has boards in stock and will install, securing them into the concrete dam.

Ayer- will find out if the Frog Pond trust fund is expendable by the BOS.

Cushing- it will be minimal costs for hardware i.e. bolts and has a  
\_\_\_\_\_ so Gilsum will not need to rent one.

**Tax Collector-** Robin Cantara resigned as collector at 8:04 am on 04/08/21.

Cushing- mailed a certified return receipt letter to Cantara on 04/09/21,  
copy of letter attached.

Ayer- a re committal tax audit is required by law before the selectmen  
can authorize a tax warrant (total tax bill to collect) to the collector  
Contacted Plodzik & Sanderson cost is approx \$2000, Gilsum must  
appoint a collector before audit can be done. The tax warrant is issued  
to a named tax collector

**Town Clerk-** see attached update

**Broadband Committee-** CCI contract given to BOS for review. Ayer created BOS minutes for;

1/4/21 original minutes not located, minutes re-written on 2/1/21 omitted  
the RFP vote to accept CCI's proposal.

1/25/21 Public Benefit Hearing, minutes were never written

1/25/21 Bond Hearing, minutes were never written

Ayer- these minutes were written using BBC minutes and recordings.

They were submitted to Bond Atty L'Heuillier as they are mandated

by law for the bonding process. The minutes have not been approved. If L'Heuillier requests signatures current BOS will need to discuss and vote.

**Twin Bridges** - Allan Treadwell is Gilsums I. T. person.  
Discussions of whether or not to continue relationship.  
Uncertain of contract- Treadwell said there is no contract  
Gilsum invoices show contract until June 2021, need to clarify  
Public comment that we someone we can trust.

**Avitar-** Will be at town office on 4/15/21 from 8-4 so residents can meet privately to ask questions.

**Broom Rider Cleaning co.** for Town office. Need to change schedule due to lock changes  
Ayer- does not believe keys should be distributed to companies not covered under Gilsums liability insurance.  
Cushing- questions if Broom Rider is covered as an employee, no she is a 1099.  
Betsy offers to open office during BOS meetings for cleaning.  
Ayer- will call Broom Rider to schedule cleaning on Monday nights.

**Gilsum-NH.gov-** Ayer reached out to the rec committee to see if Gilsum.org should become the official town website. Rec Committee is meeting Tuesday to discuss.

**DRA reports-** Annual reports need to be sent to DRA. Gilsums rep Penny Touchette is aware of changes in Gilsum and is working with Ayer to complete.

**Treasurer-** Delegation of deposits presented to BOS  
Ayer would like it rewritten to be for each specific individual, not a blanket delegation that covers multiple departments.

**Transfer station;** Thursday has very few customers, is it worth the Thursday expenditure to stay open or should Gilsum move to a Saturday only?

**Accounts payable** Check list from MRI reviewed and discussed, checks signed.  
Check process change is coming together quite well, checks and balances now put in place.

**ZBA** Lounder motions to appoint Bill Whyte to ZBA, Ayer 2nds  
vote Cushing yes, Ayer yes, Lounder yes, motion passed. Betsy took Whytes oath.

Lounder motions to adjourn Ayer 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Meeting adjourned 9:35 pm

Respectfully submitted by Vicki Ayer \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes approved	Date
Chairman Bart Cushing (2024)	_____
Vicki Ayer (2023)	_____
Clem Lounder (2022)	_____