

Gilsum Board of Selectmen
Minutes 04/05/21
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- 03/29/21 public and 2 non public minutes approved

Ayer motions to approve all minutes as written Lounder 2nds
vote Cushing yes, Ayer yes, Lounder yes motion passed

Building Inspector Glen Dow resigned

Ayer motions to appoint Clem Lounder as Building Inspector
Cushing 2nds
vote Cushing yes, Ayer yes, Lounder abstain
motion passed

Recreation Committee & Recreation Commission

Ralph Jernberg gave explanation of difference between the two.
Committee is not funded by the town but funds the Commission through
events like the Rock Swap. It is still unknown if the Swap will take place
this year.
Commission is minimally funded by the town. The before & after school
payroll is offset by the fees charged to families.

Road Agent- Harlen Maguire;

Cushing- will you bid out the winter sand for competitive pricing on NHMA

Maguire- maybe

Ayer- If we are going to hire Maguire Trucking at approx \$3000 per year to deliver sand
it needs to be put out to bid per RSA 95-1. Why do we need to hire Maguire
Trucking to perform jobs for the Road Agent who is the same person?
Discussion that Maguire Trucking is giving Gilsum a good rate that is probably
the best so why bother with bids? It is a procedure set by statutes, seems
that we just need to follow if a public official wants to bid on a job.

Laborer position still vacant.

Transfer Station- DES requirements. Is this part of the Road Agents duties? Does Gilsum
need to hire someone if not? A plan of action is needed going forward.

Town Clerk Betsy Cushing see attached report

Scott Schneider – Discussion of elderly exemptions and what can be done to improve?

Ayer went over current options and that it requires a town vote to change.
Scott asked if the BOS would support something like a freeze on taxes
at a certain age.

Ayer- whether or not we would personally support is not a decision we make
until town vote. As a board we will work with residents who want to have a
warrant article included. The previous board spent approx \$1500 on legal fees
fighting the 2020 petitioned articles. This board will work with residents so that
when we vote in March there will be a clear understanding of what the town is
voting on.

Reed Rd class 6 Schneider asks if gravel can be supplied by Gilsum?

Answer not on a class 6 rd without a town vote.

Deputy Tax Collector Ayer- what is the hourly rate of this position?
Need to have the Tax Collector establish in writing.

Ashuelot River Local Advisory Committee ARLAC Approved Chip Chapmans application to serve on the committee

Accounts payable Check list from MRI reviewed and discussed, checks signed. Invoices reviewed

Louder motions to adjourn Ayer 2nd
Meeting adjourned 9:18 pm

Respectfully submitted by Vicki Ayer _____

Minutes approved

Date

Chairman Bart Cushing (2024) _____

Vicki Ayer (2023) _____

Clem Louder (2022) _____