

**Gilsum Board of Selectmens Meeting  
November 22, 2021 6:00 pm  
held in Gilsum Public Library**

**Board present Bart Cushing, Vicki Ayer, and Clem Louder  
Selectmens Asst. Olivia Rodriguez**

6:00 pm Cushing calls meeting to order

Cushing- Meeting is being recorded by selectmen. If anyone has issues with audio recording of the meeting please address the board.

Minutes of 11/15/21 presented and read by Cushing

Cushing- Re-submittal is needed for corrected minutes of 11/15/21

**Bill Signing- Financial**

**Cushing makes motion to accept checks 11/22/21**

Ayer 2nds

Vote-unanimous

**Motion passed**

Cushing-Harlen did come in and sign Cargill statement that we have.

Betsy requests reimbursement for stamps

Steve Ackerman- coming in on December 6th to discuss Ambulance.

Avitar letter- sales assessed form to be signed by board

14 sales from current year / 6 from previous to meet quota of 20 sales to find median amount for year.

Cushing- Preliminary numbers for assessing yearly, is it over-evaluated or under-evaluated?

Ayer- Do we want to contact Lauren from assessing to have a meeting about this and get a better understanding of this letter before signing?

Ayer-Hands letter to be reviewed by Bruce Murphy with assessing knowledge.

Bruce Murphy- The higher the number goes the more you've been over assessed. The number on the report shows a balanced number, its not too far off from what it was previously.

Louder- I will call and ask some additional questions about this before we decide.

## **MS-434**

Cushing- Ayer was correct that they needed to be updated to DRA Portal.

### **Solar exemptions**

Ayer- There are about ten properties in town with solar. It is up to them to apply for an abatement, we can assist if needed.

### **Preliminary Tax Rate discussed**

#### **Louder makes motion to accept \$23.20 tax rate. \$50,000 Overlay**

Ayer-2nds

Vote-unanimous

**Motion passed**

Use of Warrant Article to take money from fund balance and use for roads discussed.

### **Bond agreement discussed**

Ayer- I sent the loan agreement to Treasurer. It starts Feb. 2nd. Bond Bank gives us money. Other than audit, there is no cost to the town. Consolidated is paying for this, we are just borrowing money from the Bond Bank.

Louder- Do we have to transfer that money?

Ayer- I would have to review the contract with CCI, would have to go through municipality to be able to answer that question.

#### **Ayer motions to approve Broadband loan agreement for Jan. 27, 2022 from NH Municipal Bond Bank**

Cushing 2nds

Vote-Unanimous

Roll Call: Ayer-Yes, Louder-Yes, Cushing-Yes

**Motion Passed and agreement signed by board.**

### **Budget Reports**

Cushing- Highway- Harlen is still waiting for culvert bid. He gave out a preliminary budget last week.

Tax collectors budget request discussed.  
Community Kitchen Budget Request discussed.  
Home Health Care- no request received.  
Ambulance budget request discussed.

Budget detail of General Gov. Discussed

- financial
- personal administration
- health insurance (need a set number)
- maintenance
- fuel oil
- Highway
- Cemetery
- Workmans comp. Insurance
- Police
- Mutual aid

Letter from Allen of Twin Bridges read by Lounder- computer servers may need to be replaced.

Ayer- We can do a warrant article to pull money from fund balance to get a new server.

Filipi notice discussed

Ayer- We have to put info of notice on the town website.

Lounder- Do we have digital format of that notice?

Cushing- I'll have to look into that.

Avitar Assessing invoice discussed-2022 Softwear Due for payment Jan 1st.

Quickbooks bill discussed-Due Jan 21st.

Bond Bank papers stamped by town clerk

Cushing nominates Lounder to be chair in the event of Cushing not being present in meeting.

MS-737 DRA reports are through the portal- Silver direct for printing.

Louder motions to adjourn  
Cushing 2nds  
Meeting adjourned 9:54 p.m  
Minutes submitted by Olivia Rodriguez

Minutes approved

Signature

Date

Bart Cushing

Vicki Ayer

Clem Louder