

Town of Gilsum
Selectboard Meeting
Held in Gilsum Public Library
September 29th, 2025, 6:00pm

Board Present: Clem Lounder, Chair; Brian Bazarnicki, Member; Bill Mitchell, Member; Selectboard Asst. Hailey Hrabovsky

Others: Dee Denehy, Harlen Maguire, Dave Dauphin, Bruce Murphy

6:04pm Chair Clem Lounder calls meeting to order

Lounder motions to approve 09/22/2025 minutes as amended

Bazarnicki 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

Bazarnicki motions to accept 09/29/2025 check manifest

Lounder 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

Bill Signing – Financial

Profit and Loss are in the Selectmen's Office to view and updated weekly.

Highway Department:

Hrabovsky gave Maguire paperwork for the truck grant program.

Lounder states the landfill will need mowing at least twice a year and need to address how we will mow the bank. Brief discussion on how will need to be mowed.

Brief discussion about the paving on Route 10 in town. DOT delivered some millings; Maguire talks about what he would like to do with them. It is better to use them in warmer weather so Maguire is going to watch the weather and test out a few roads that have issues such as potholes, see how it goes and if it works.

Repeater vs Push to Talk Cell Phone; Mitchell brings up the different service area maps between R&R Communications and AT&T, AT&T is better and with the cell phones, they would be able to send pictures as well if needed.

NHMA Calendar: Reviewed by selectboard.

MS-1: Reviewed and signed by selectboard.

Bazarnicki motions to signing the MS-1 as produced.

Lounder 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

Streetlights: Bazarnicki asked if anyone knew how many lumens the streetlights should be putting out. Discussed the different brightnesses, costs of each and how the brightness may affect those that live nearby the streetlights. Louder asks about the life span of the proposed solar lights; it ranges from 10 years to lifetime. It was suggested to try one out at the fire department as they range from \$80-\$180 per one.


Pistol Permit Application:

Bazarnicki motions to approve the pistol and revolver license R713349 returned from County Sheriff with a clean background check

Louder 2nds

Vote: unanimous

Motion passed

ZBA; Class VI Road: Mitchell brings up there was a new legislation that came out and the towns put together a standard liability waiver for people building on a class VI road as towns cannot prohibit building on class VI roads. We will need to look into a standard liability waiver for the town of Gilsum. To look more into for what we currently utilize on our class VI roads. Mitchell to gather information on the legislation to give to the town lawyer in regards to the class VI roads. 

Hazard Mitigation Plan: Hrabovsky shows email from Dee Denehy to the Selectboard. Denehy discusses the hazard mitigation plan, it needs to be updated every 5 years and last one was from 2017. Southwest Regional Planning does the work. The selectboard has been a part of the discussions in the past and Denehy has people lined up for who will be involved, they would like someone from the planning board and the selectboard as well. Southwest Regional Planning will be sending out an email to find a date and time that works best for everyone to meet. The Hazard Mitigation Plan and meeting will be specifically for the town of Gilsum.

Audit 2024; Trust Fund Transfers: Auditors found that there were Selectboard Meeting minutes that did not reflect votes on the transfer of funds from the trust fund to the issued bank accounts. The trust fund transfers should have had motions made for each one in the minutes. Louder signed the draft audit.

Mitchell motions to accept the list of trust fund transfers from the audit findings, to be attached with these minutes.

Bazarnicki 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

Bazarnicki motions to accept the draft audit from Plodzik & Sanderson, the annual financial report as a fiscal year that ended December 31st 2024.

Louder 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

Personnel Policy; Temporary Disability, Health Insurance: Mitchell brings up these topics to the other selectboard members to get their comments on it. We currently don't have a standard for these. Discussion of health insurance the town currently has and what to do about disability. Hrabovsky would like the selectboard to think on it and any ideas or comments forwarded to her.

Dee Denehy: Brings up considerations for the upcoming budget season; capital reserves for forest fires and buildings. Discussion of why and what that would look like. Discussion of fire permits; permits are free, through the state and are needed for every fire.

Bazarnicki motions to adjourn
Lounder 2nds
Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by:
Hailey Hrabovsky

Minutes approved

Signature

Date

Clem Louder



10/6/25

Brian Bazarnicki



10/6/25

Bill Mitchell

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