

**Town of Gilsum**  
Selectboard Meeting  
Held in Gilsum Public Library  
December 1<sup>st</sup> 2025, 6:00pm

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

**Others:** Harlen Maguire, Bruce Murphy, Sue Cadmus, Dee Denehy, Lenoir Law, Vicki Ayer, Deb Reilly, David Dauphin

6:00pm Chair Clem Lounder calls meeting to order

**Lounder motions to approve 11/24/2025 minutes as amended**

Bazarnicki 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

**Lounder motions to accept 12/1/2025 check manifest**

Bazarnicki 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

**Bill Signing – Financial**

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

**2026 Budget:**

1. Discussed line items from draft of proposed budget
2. Discussed last year's warrant articles and potential new warrant articles
3. Highway Department
  - a. Discussed creating a trust fund for an addition to the highway garage
  - b. Discussed creating a trust fund to replace Hammond Hollow Road
  - c. Discussed line items from the Highway Department budget from last year
  - d. Need maintenance plans for buildings, equipment and roads, etc.
  - e. Need 5–10-year projections for trust fund items
4. Fire Department
  - a. Discussed fire mutual aid
  - b. Still need the numbers for the ambulance budget
  - c. We need to determine a goal for Forest Fire Suppression
  - d. Deb Reilly spoke up on behalf of Dee Denehy, to add a stipend for his position and selectboard would like to see something happen for it
5. Town Lawyer: it was brought up that our current lawyer is retiring and we will need to hire a new one.
6. Office Equipment
  - a. Discussion of office equipment that could be bought and/or replaced such as a laptop for the selectmen's assistant and copier

**Town Auction Properties:** Vicki Ayer asks about the two properties that have not been closed on yet. The Selectboard informed her that options are being looked into.

**Tax Rate:** Vicki Ayer asks if we put forth any money to reduce the tax rate for this year. The Selectboard informed her that we did not.

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**Planning Board Announcement:** Tuesday December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025 there will be a public meeting for the proposed solar ordinance.

**Town Office Renovations:**

**Emergency Lights:** Lenoir Law to reach out to Tom again and let him know it needs to be done before the end of the year.

**Flooring:** Lounder asked if there has been a decision yet on who is completing the floor for the selectboard office. There are only 2 bids and a decision has not been made yet. Lounder mentions that he can finish the floor by the end of year.

Bazarnicki motions to adjourn  
Louder 2nds  
Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by:  
Hailey Hrabovsky

Minutes approved

Signature

Date

Clem Louder



12/8/25

Brian Bazarnicki



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Bill Mitchell

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