

**Town of Gilsum**  
Selectboard Meeting  
Held in Gilsum Public Library  
April 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm

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

**Others:** Dee Denehy, Deb Reilly, Harlen Maguire, Patty Maguire, Sue Cadmus, Dwayne Nettleton, Linda Nettleton

**Absent:** Bruce Murphy, Member

6:00pm Chair Clem Louder calls meeting to order

**Bazarnicki motions to approve 4/6/2026 minutes as amended**

Louder 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

**Motion passed**

**Bazarnicki motions to accept 4/13/2026 check manifest**

Louder 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

**Motion passed**

**Bill Signing – Financial**

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

**Louder motions to transfer \$2000 from the Fire Department Equipment Replacement Expendable Trust Fund for the purchase of a Hale portable pump.**

Bazarnicki 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

**Motion passed**

**Town Clerk:** There is a desk in the old sheriff's office that needs to be moved out. Welfare Officer Vicki Ayer ordered a fridge and another thing to go into the office. There is a firesafe filing cabinet that we have keys for and that can be moved to the basement but it is heavy and would like the Selectmen to figure out if they want to keep the desk. Brief discussion, Dee Denehy may want the desk. Need to figure out how to move the filing cabinet downstairs.

**Highway Department:**

**Truck Quotes;** Maguire presented a couple quotes for used trucks, gave the selectmen printed information and explained what is in the information they are looking at. Louder would like Maguire to look at the trucks.

**Speed Limit Signs;** To install the speed limit signs, we will need 2, 3.5" round posts that are about 16 ft long. A specification of installing them is that they need 300 ft of clear view and that they need to be located in the sunlight for the solar panel. Discussion of where to place signs, will need permission from property owners.

**Fire Department:**

Snowstorm; From the snowstorm last week, Denehy brings up that there were vehicles stuck on Bingham Hill, along with the car accident, 2 ambulances were stuck and a state DOT truck as well. During all of the action, Harlen Maguire was able to assist them even with only having one working truck. Denehy would like to give the Highway Department a Certificate of Appreciation for all their help.

One of the responders lightly bumped into a guardrail on that storm. The Fire Department is not covered under Primex, Primex only covers up to \$500 deductible for using a personal vehicle while working. Denehy would like to explore a gap insurance for their volunteers. This person still needs to get their vehicle evaluated and get an estimate before Primex will act on it. Denehy presented some insurance information to the Selectboard. Denehy will look more into insurance and asked Lenoir to look more into the workers comp, such as 'what is covered' and 'what is considered "on the clock"' as the Fire Department is made up of volunteers.

Garnett Court; Denehy brings up a concern with the school renovation as there is currently one entrance and exit, one in the same. Fencing is to go up at the school building. After July the school driveway will be fenced off as they are going to tear up the driveway and parking lot. The renovators also may store equipment on the field. In doing so, it cuts off helicopter landing, mowing, emergencies, etc. Garnett Court right of way is still currently being researched.

**Tax Collector:** Cadmus asks if anyone knows of a person she is looking for. The tax bills have been sent back to the office and have not been able to reach them.

**Nettleton's Water Concern/Complaint; Gordon Sand and Gravel:** Linda Nettleton presented her water concern/complaint to the Selectboard. Bazarnicki read an excerpt from an email from NHMA Legal. "If you have a resident claiming that the town is responsible for damage to their property caused by a private business approved to operate by the town, this is an issue for the resident to resolve for themselves. They will need to hire their own attorney to explore whether or not they have a cause of action against the town or business. It is not the responsibility, nor is it even appropriate, for the town to address these legal concerns for the resident. It is also the responsibility of the select board to address this issue. My advice would be for the select board to inform the resident that they need to speak with their own attorney for advice on how to proceed and the select board should also inform your regular municipal attorney of the complaint so they are aware."

Hrabovsky read an email from another resident with concern of well issues and asked the board if there is anything more the resident can do. Brief discussion ensued. *LAUREN ALLEN OF 13 LOWELL DR WAS ADVISED TO PURSUE THRU ATTORNEY PMS*

**Gilsum Village Store; Sign Application:** Reviewed application and approved. Bazarnicki to reach out to the auction lawyers for owner property information where the old sign used to be.

**Bazarnicki motions to approve and sign Gilsum Village Store Sign application by Joseph and Brandi Whittier Map 407 Lot 130 for the Gilsum Village Store.**

Louder 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

**Motion passed**

**Selectmen's Office; Lights:**

**Louder motions to accept the proposal for the lights in the office for 10 light fixtures at \$85 per fixture for a total of \$850.**

Bazarnicki 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

Bazarnicki motions to adjourn  
Louder 2nds  
Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by:  
Hailey Hrabovsky

Minutes approved

Signature

Date

Clem Louder



4/20/26

Brian Bazarnicki



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Bruce Murphy

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