

**Town of Gilsum**  
Selectboard Meeting  
Held in Gilsum Public Library  
March 30<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm

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

**Others:** Deb Reilly, Harlen Maguire, Patty Maguire, Dee Denehy, Vicki Ayer, Dwayne Nettleton, Stephen Cantara, Bill Whyte, George Gilman

6:06pm Chair Clem Louder calls meeting to order

**Louder motions to approve 3/23/2026 minutes as amended**

Bazarnicki 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

**Motion passed**

**Murphy motions to accept 3/30/2026 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.

**Bazarnicki motions to appoint Assistant Fire Chief Brian Peniuk 3-year term, Deputy Tax Collector Vanessa Helgerson 1 year term, Deputy Treasurer Karen Hastings 1 year, Fire Chief and Forest Warden and Emergency Management Director Dee Denehy 3-year term, Fire Department Captain Nathaniel Lund 3-year term, Rescue Captain Jennifer Murphy 3-year term, Fire Department Lieutenant Jonathan Cheney 3-year term, Fire Department Lieutenant David Thompson 3-year term.**

Murphy 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

**Motion Passed**

**Bazarnicki motions to transfer \$3,023.59 from the Emergency Management Expendable Trust Fund**

Louder 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

**Motion passed**

**Highway Department:** Maguire presented quotes for a couple of trucks. Discussed trucks and equipment for plowing.

**Bazarnicki motions Gravel Tax Levy for operation 25-173-02-E for the amount of \$5,570.95.**

Louder 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

**Motion passed**

**Bazarnicki motions Gravel Tax Levy for operation 25-173-03-E for the amount of \$116.00.**

Murphy 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

**Bazarnicki motions to approve and sign Intent to Excavate for operation 26-173-02-E.**

Murphy 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

**Gordon Sand and Gravel:** Nettleton brought up the nitrates and nitrites in the water and more information on how it negatively affects people and how it can also get into the well system. Discussion of aquifer, Ayer explains there is a map of the aquifer. Stephen Cantara also came before the board and has stated that no one has visited them or provided bottled water; the only person he has heard from is the person who comes and tests the water. Since January, he has not been able to drink his water and has been told not to boil it either. Ayer asked the Selectboard to do something about the issues, she states that Gordon must have not reported the results to NHDES. Lounder is concerned with the town being sued. Cantara says he's been using water from across the street from the spring. Nettleton says his water filters are orange as of this morning. Bill Whyte has also come before the board to explain his situation. Nettleton also brings up boundary lines; Bob and Connie sent a highlighted map with Nettleton tonight. Nettleton also stated that Bob and himself walked the property lines for postings and did not see any.

**Murphy motions to file a cease and desist until the water problem is solved.**

Bazarnicki 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

**Dee Denehy; Hazard Mitigation:** Presents a request from Sarah from SWPRC, it is a request to keep paperwork moving along as we wait for FEMA.

**Bazarnicki motions to accept Certificate of Adoptions of Hazard Mitigation Plan 2026.**

Lounder 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

**2026 NHDOT Resurfacing Program:** Hrabovsky briefed the Selectboard and gave a copy of the information to Road Agent Harlen Maguire. Road that is involved is Sullivan Center Road.

**State Police; Memorandum of Understanding:** Selectboard signed the official agreement per the motion made in the 3-23-26 minutes.

**2026 Legislative Delegation Invitation:** Hrabovsky briefed the Selectboard. This invitation was extended from the City of Keene to join their Legislative meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Unfortunately, the Selectboard meets on Mondays.

**Town Lawyer; Proposed Fee Agreement:** Selectboard signed the official agreement per the motion made in the 3-23-26 minutes.

**Deb Reilly:** Reilly speaking for Dee Denehy, Lenoir Law and herself, brought up that there will be a spaghetti dinner at the school for the Fire Department. Speaking on behalf of Lenoir Law, they would like the town to fill out the application for liability reasons.

**Bazarnicki motions to apply for the use of the school for a Spaghetti Dinner for the Fire Department.**

Murphy 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

**Dee Denehy:**

**Dredging Frog Pond** - Denehy brought up dredging the frog pond. Lounder asked Maguire if the backhoe can be used for this. Maguire says town equipment should be able to get it done. Maguire will wait until the rain season is over and will schedule accordingly.

**Garnett Court** - Discussed how the town is trying to do some more research about the right-of-way. Ayer states she gave Ralph two NHDOT maps and a screenshot from NHDOT road and maps, map viewer. Ayer states there's no right of way for roads. Ayer says she gave it to Ralph within the last week. Spoke of how there will be renovations happening at the school, Denehy would like to have the road be a more certain option if necessary. Hrabovsky will pull maps. Bruce will work to find the deed to playground. We are currently researching the right of way.

**Bazarnicki motions to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II(c).**

Murphy 2nds

Vote: Unanimous

Motion passed

**Public session reconvened at 8:15pm**

**Bazarnicki motions to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A:3, II(c).**

Murphy 2nds

Vote: Murphy yea, Bazarnicki yea

Motion passed

Public session reconvened at 8:36pm.

Bazarnicki motions to seal minutes because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board.

Murphy 2nds

Vote: Murphy yea, Bazarnicki yea

Motion passed

Bazarnicki motions to adjourn  
Murphy 2nds  
Meeting adjourned at 8:38pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by:  
Hailey Hrabovsky

Minutes approved

Signature

Date

Clem Louder

Brian Bazarnicki

Bruce Murphy



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