# TOWN OF GILFORD BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES November 13, 2014

The Budget Committee convened a duly posted, public meeting on Thursday, November 13, at 6:30pm in the 1<sup>st</sup> floor Conference Room at Town Hall.

Member of the Budget Committee in attendance were: Chairman Phyllis Corrigan ,Vice-Chairman Kevin Leandro, Sue Greene, Selectmen's Representative Richard Grenier, School Board Representative Karen Thurston, Robert Henderson, Jeff Beane, Norman Silber, David Horvath, Kevin Roy, Gunstock Acres Village Water District representative, Fred Butler & Patricia Polichronopoulos, Secretary.

Allen Voivod was absent.

Also present were Town Administrator Scott Dunn, Finance Director Geoff Ruggles,

P. Corrigan led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

R. Grenier made a motion to approve the minutes of November 6 as presented, seconded N.Silber and voted 10-1-1. P. Corrigan abstained

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT:

F Butler summarized the findings and recommendations of the Subcommittee. After a Q&A period, A.Voivod made a motion to approve a recommended budget of \$270,308, not including warrant articles, seconded by N. Silber and passed with all in favor (10-0).

K Leandro made a motion to recommend the Building Capitol Reserve Fund Warrant Article in the amount of \$20,000, seconded by N.Silber and passed with all in favor (10-0).

K. Leandro made a motion to approve a recommend the amount of \$10,000 for the Glendale Facilities Capitol Reserve Fund, seconded by N.Silber and passed All in Favor (10-0)

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

F.Butler summarized the findings of the subcommittee. After a question and answer session with G. Ruggles, N. Silber made a motion to recommend the approved budget of \$39,940, seconded by A Voisvod and passed with all in favor (11-0)

## **DPW ADMINISTRATION**

F. Butler summarized the findings and recommendations of the Subcommittee. After a Q&A period with Sheldon Morgan, A. Voivod made a motion to approve a recommended budget of \$265,387.00 however was withdrawn because S. Dunn said the current Capitol Reserve Fund should cover chimney repair. K. Leandro moved to accept original budget of \$264,724.00, seconded by R. Greene and passed with all in favor (11-0).

## **HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**

F. Butler summarized the findings and recommendations of the Subcommittee. He noted they were recommending a 17.6 % increase. S, Morgan indicated that this is due to reactivating the second labors position, a person will move into this position in January. A.Voivod moved to accept the recommend budget of \$2,333,186.00, not including warrant articles, seconded by R.Grenier and passed with vote of 10-1. K. Leandro abstained

After a Q&A period, on Warrant Article, D. Horvath made a motion to delay this to another time, was seconded by S. Greene. Vote 2-11 did not pass. The committee recommended to be voted on because S. Morgan is here for discussion. After a question and answer session, R. Grenier made a motion to approve a recommended warrant article for Highway Minor Equipment of \$38,400, seconded by A. Voivod and passed with all in favor (11-0)

K. Leandro made a motion to accept Warrant Article for Highway Heavy Equipment of \$193,000, seconded by R. Henderson and passed all in favor (11-0)

R.Grenier made a motion to accept the recommendation of \$20,000 (second installment) for Capitol Reserve Fund (Sand Cover) seconded by K. Leandro and passed with all in favor (11-0)

N. Silber made motion to move the recommendation to Capitol Reserve Fund for \$50,000 for Highway Equipment, seconded by S. Greene and passed with all in favor (11-0)

## **BRIDGES & STREET LIGHTS**

F Butler summarized the findings and recommendations of the Subcommittee. K. Leandro made motion to accept recommendation of \$1000 for total bridge budget, seconded by A Voivod, passed all in favor (11-0).

K. Leandro made a motion to approve a recommended budget of \$29,000 for Street Light budget, seconded by R Henderson and passed all in favor (11-0)

#### VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SUMMARY

F. Butler summarized the findings and recommendations of the Subcommittee. After a brief discussion, F. Butler made a motion to approve a recommended budget of \$250,155.00, seconded by A.Voivod and passed with all in favor (11-0).

#### SOLID WASTE

F. Butler summarized the findings and recommendations of the Subcommittee. A Voivod made a motion to approve a recommended budget of \$631,416.00, seconded by K. Leandro and passed with all in favor (11-0).

<u>Health Officer Line Item:</u> R.Grenier made a motion to accept recommended budget of \$3,138 second by K. Thurston and passed all in favor (11-0)

#### SEWER FUND

- F. Butler summarized the findings and recommendations of the Subcommittee. A Voivod made a motion to approve a recommended budget of \$ \$773,185.00, not including warrant article seconded by N. Silber and passed with all in favor (11-0).
- D. Horvath requested a hard quote for New Sewer Truck, however S. Dunn explained this goes out for state bid and those figures are not out yet. D. Harvath withdrew request
- K. Leandro made motion to accept recommended budget of 10,000.00 Capitol Reserve Fund for Highway Maintenance, seconded by R. Henderson and passed all in favor (11-0)

The committee thanked Sheldon for his years of service (he will be retiring) and he in turn thanked them

S. Greene inquired on Public Access Television and whether we had yet paid our share. S. Dunn said that no it had not and that he recommended a warrant article for the revolving fund next year.

D.Horwath thanked R Grenier for following up on the flags. It seems PSNH actually removed the flags before Veterans Day

N.Silber reminded the committee they need to bring back the Library budget (this has previously been tabled). S. Greene & N. Silber to contact Director. S. Dunn to add the director to the agenda for the November 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

At 8:50PM A Voivod made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by D. Horvath and passed all in favor (11-0).

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Polichronopoulos, Secretary

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