Town of Gorham Board of Selectmen November 13, 2018

Members Present: Michael Waddell (Chairman), Judith Leblanc, Adam White

Members of the Public: Interim Town Manager Mitchell Berkowitz, Denise Vallee- Director of Finance and Operations Mary White PJ Cyr- Police Chief and Jay Watkins- Fire-EMS Chief

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Waddell

Abatements: Wayne and Denise Buber- Requested an abatement for their property at 37 Gorham Heights Road (U27, L37) due to a previously granted elderly exemption in the amount of \$25,000. The data did not get properly entered into the system causing the exemption to not e applied to the 2018 tax bill, second half.. On a motion from Adam White with a second from Judy Leblanc, the Board voted to approve the abatement and signed it.

New Business: The Board commenced the review of the Fire/EMS budgets with Chief Watkins. The Board then commenced the review of the Police/Dispatcher budget. Note that at 9:00 PM there was a power outage and the review continued. Though the back up generator came on there was some time lag which may have affected the video recording of this budget review.

Old Business and Other Business:

- 1) Spring Road This project is still moving along with the expectation of opening the new concrete bridge within a week for use through the winter. The balance of the work will not be completed in 2018 and will be completed in the spring of 2019.
- 2) FEMA NRCS is still working in the Peabody River. ITM Berkowitz continues to visit the site. It appears that the rip rap blanket along the shore line has been completed allowing the work to continue without being in the water channel.
- 3) The Manager also informed the Board of the General Election Results: Gorham has #2,159 registered voters of which #80 are new. #1,185 voted on November 6th which is a 55% turnout.
- 4) The Manager informed the Board of the Public Notice and hearing from the Town of Randolph set for Thursday, December 6, 2018regarding a lot line adjustment to parcels that abut the Town of Gorham; Lots ID tax map R11-Lot 48 and R11-Lot 44.
- 5) The Board approved the notice of Invitation for Bid to sell two Crown Victoria's from the Police Department. Chief Watkins will place the ad.

Public Comment – **Selectmens Update** – None

Minutes of October 29, 2018 - Postponed until November 19, 2018.

Minutes of October 29, 2018 Non Public Session – Postponed until November 19, 2018

Respectfully submitted,

Minutes were reviewed and approved by the Select Board at the November 19, 2018 meeting.

Mike Waddell, Chair

Judy LeBlanc

Adam White