

**MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING
TOWN OF GORHAM
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2016 6:00 PM
GORHAM TOWN HALL**

Gorham Selectmen present: Jeff Schall, Grace LaPierre, Terry Oliver

Also present: Robin Frost, Town Manager; Jeff Stewart, Rec Director; Michelle Lutz, Assessing Clerk

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm by Chairman Schall.

2. Non-Public Session RSA 91-a:3, II, d: On a motion by Chairman Schall, seconded by Selectman LaPierre, the Board voted unanimously by roll call to move into non-public session at 6:03 pm. Schall – Aye, LaPierre – Aye, Oliver – Aye.

On a motion by Chairman Schall, seconded by Selectman LaPierre, the Board came out of non-public session by unanimous roll call vote at 6:20 pm. Schall – Aye, LaPierre – Aye, Oliver - Aye.

3. Appointments:

4. New Business

a) Boston Post Cane Award: TM Frost stated that Ed Reichert is next in line to receive the Boston Post Cane. His family has stated that they would like to see Mr. Reichert receive the award. After further discussion, it was decided that the Board would like to present the award at the March 8th Town Meeting. TM Frost will inform the family.

b) Final 2016 Town Meeting Warrant: TM Frost stated that she wanted to make sure that the Board had reviewed the Warrants and that they are ready to finalize them. Chairman Schall asked if the vote tally for Article 7 to be included as this was not a unanimous vote. The Board agreed to leave Article 38 as is showing a Board recommendation for this year. However, if in the future financials are not received for petition warrant articles, the Board will not be sending them through with a recommendation. Further discussion took place regarding the warrant articles. **Selectman Oliver made a motion to remove Warrant Article 15 regarding the Cascade Flats playground equipment, seconded by Selectman LaPierre, voted unanimously.**

c) Building Permit Fee Amendment – Addition of Mechanical Permit: TM Frost presented the Board with an updated building permit fee schedule. She stated that under “miscellaneous”, which had previously only noted electrical and plumbing, mechanical was added. TM Frost stated that recently there was an incident at a local commercial business that was replacing HVAC rooftop units without a permit, and upon inspection while the work was being completed, Mr. Scarinza noted some issues. **Selectman Oliver made a motion to include “mechanical” under the miscellaneous category for the building permit fees schedule, seconded by Selectman LaPierre, voted unanimously.**

5. Old Business

a) Ambulance Repair Update: TM Frost informed the Board that both ambulances are back up and running and that the loaner had been returned. The major issues, A-2 randomly not starting and A-1's transmission, has been repaired.

6. Public Comment:

7. Other Business

a) Town Manager’s Update: TM Frost received an email from Kevin McKinnon of North Country Council. NCC is in the process of preparing a grant application for a comprehensive trail plan for the North Country and is looking for a letter of support from the Town. The Board asked TM Frost to prepare and sign the letter on behalf of the Board.

b) Selectmen’s Update: Selectman LaPierre stated that she will be attending the annual Chamber dinner. All Board members will be attending the dinner this year. Selectman LaPierre asked TM Frost if she had heard anything from Claude Pigeon of AR Couture Construction. TM Frost stated that she had not heard from him and will try contacting him again.

Selectman Oliver asked about a possible walking trail for the Town. It was noted that this could be part of the trail plan that NCC will be working on.

c) Approval of Minutes (January 25, 2016): Selectman Oliver made a motion to approve the Minutes of the January 25, 2016, meeting as presented, seconded by Chairman Schall, voted unanimously.

d) Sign Manifest: All manifests were signed.

e) Sign Abatements and Exemptions (if necessary):

8. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

Jeff Schall

Grace LaPierre

Terry Oliver