

**MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
TOWN OF GORHAM  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2014, 7:30 PM  
GORHAM TOWN HALL**

Gorham Selectmen present: Jeff Schall, Paul Robitaille, Bill Jackson

Also present: Michelle Lutz, Assessing Clerk; Denise Vallee, Director of Finance; Michael Waddell, Chairman, Gorham Budget Committee; Carol Porter, Town Clerk/Tax Collector  
Robin Frost, Town Manager – Excused Absence

**1. Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm by Chairman Robitaille

**2. Appointments:**

**a) Mike Waddell, Budget Committee Chairman:** Mr. Waddell came in to speak to the Board about where the Budget Committee was with regard to the 2014 budget. He stated that the Committee, after getting the results of the school budget, asked DF Vallee to include a 2% wage increase as well as HRA benefits for the Town's employees. While the Budget Committee understood how the Board voted on these two items, he wanted to see if the Board would reconsider their vote so that the Board and Committee could be on the same page. Mr. Waddell stated that a majority of the Committee would be recommending the wage increase and the HRA deductible benefit if the Board would reconsider and vote in the affirmative. Further discussion took place regarding the wage increase and benefits. Mr. Waddell went on to speak to the Board about the proposed Revolving Fund for the Ambulance Department, noting that the Budget Committee was not in favor of creating this type of account for that department. The Budget Committee asked EMS Director Chad Miller to update his budget to include the necessary expenditures as well as revenues for the transfers. The Committee is not comfortable with the use of a revolving fund and would rather see the expenses and revenues associated with the transfers included in the regular lines of the department's budget. Further discussion took place regarding the revolving fund. **Selectman Jackson made a motion to reconsider the raises as presented in the current budget, seconded by Chairman Robitaille, voted Jackson – Aye; Schall – Nay; Robitaille – Aye.** Further discussion took place regarding the raises and budgetary impact. **Selectman Jackson made a motion to accept the 2% employee wage increase with the corrected increase figure of \$38,800, seconded by Chairman Robitaille, voted Jackson – Aye; Schall – Nay; Robitaille – Aye.** The Board discussed the Ambulance Department Revolving Account. **Selectman Jackson made a motion to adjust the Selectmen's Budget to reflect the figures as revised by the Department Head, seconded by Selectman Schall, voted Jackson – Aye; Schall – Aye; Robitaille – Aye.** **Selectman Jackson made a motion to not support the Ambulance Department Revolving Fund in the Town Warrant, seconded by Selectman Schall, voted Jackson – Aye; Schall – Aye; Robitaille – Nay.**

Selectman Jackson spoke to the Board about a Warrant Article that TM Frost would like reviewed and a vote taken to be able to sell Town Property as it relates to the possible tax deeds. Further discussion took place regarding the proposed Warrant Article. **Selectman Jackson made a motion to accept the proposed Warrant Article to sell Town property, seconded by Selectman Schall, voted Jackson – Aye; Schall – Aye; Robitaille – Aye.**

**Selectman Jackson made a motion to support the MS-737 as presented, seconded by Selectman Schall, voted Jackson – Aye; Schall – Aye; Robitaille – Aye.**

Prior to closing the meeting DF Vallee asked the Board who was planning to attend the Annual Chamber meeting so a check could be prepared. Selectman Schall stated that he was planning on attending and Selectman Jackson stated that he would be attending through AVH.

TCTC Porter spoke to the Board regarding the possibility of becoming a registration agent to register boats, noting that she had forwarded the letter of request to the DMV. Further discussion took place regarding this matter. Selectman Jackson made a motion to approve the registration of boats in the Town of Gorham, seconded by Chairman Robitaille, **voted Jackson – Aye; Schall – Aye; Robitaille – Aye.**

**7. Non-Public Session: RSA 91-a:3, II a-e:** None required.

**8. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.**

**REVIEWED AND APPROVED:**

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**Paul Robitaille**

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**William H. Jackson**

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**Jeff Schall**