

GORHAM TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
November 15, 2011– 7:00 p.m.
Gorham Municipal Center – Burleigh H. Loveitt Council Chambers

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call of the 2010-2011 Town Council

Acceptance of the minutes of the October 4, 2011 Special Meeting, October 4, 2011 Regular Meeting and October 18, 2011 Special Town Council Meeting.

Open Public Communications

Councilor Communications

Chairman's Report

Town Manager's Report

School Committee Report

Election Report

Swearing in of the newly elected Town Councilors

Roll Call of the 2011-2012 Town Council

New Business

Item #8087 Election of a Chairman of the 2011-2012 Town Council. (Adm. Spon)

Proposed
Order #8087 Voted to elect _____ as Chairman of the 2011-2012 Gorham Town Council.

Item #8088 Election of the Vice-Chairman of the 2011-2012 Town Council. (Adm. Spon.)

Proposed
Order #8088 Voted to elect _____ as Vice-Chairman of the 2011-2012 Gorham Town Council

Item #8089 Action regarding appointment of members to Town Council Committees for 2011-2012. (Adm. Spon.)

Proposed
Order #8089 Voted to appoint the following members to Town Council Committees for 2011-2012 with the first person listed as the Chairman:

Finance Committee
Ordinance Committee
Appointments/Personnel Committee
Economic Development/Capital Improvements Committee
Municipal Center Building Committee
Representative to the Greater Portland Council of Governments
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Item #8090 Action regarding acceptance of the Council Rules for 2011-2012. (Adm. Spon.)

- Proposed
Order #8090 Ordered that the Town Council adopt by reference the same Council Rules as were adopted for the year 2010-2011 as the Council Rules for 2011-2012.
- Public
Hearing #1 A Public Hearing on a new Victualer's License for the New Jan Mee II located at 14 School Street.
- Item #8091 Action regarding a new Victualer's License in the name of Jing Huang Dong for the New Jan Mee II located at 14 School Street. (Adm. Spon.)
- Proposed
Order #8091 Ordered that the Town Council approve a New Victualer's License in the name of Jing Huang Dong for the New Jan Mee II located at 14 School Street.
- Item #8092 Action to consider a request from Donna Burke to develop a contract zone for property located at 66 County Road (Tax Map 6, lot 27) (Adm. Spon.)
- Proposed
Order #8092 Ordered, that the Town Council refer a request from Donna Burke to develop a contract zone for property located at 66 County Road (Tax Map 6, lot 27) to the Ordinance Committee for their review and recommendation.
- Item #8093 Action to consider a request from Kurt Albert to develop a contract zone for property located at 103 and 109 County Road (Tax Map 4, lot 9.002 and lot 9.003) (Adm. Spon.)
- Proposed
Order #8093 Ordered that the Town Council refer a request from Kurt Albert to develop a contract zone for property located at 103 and 109 County Road (Tax Map 4, lot 9.002 and lot 9.003) to the Ordinance Committee for their review and recommendation.
- Item #8094 Action to consider a request from James Bruni to develop a contract zone for property located on County Road (Tax Map 4, lot 6.008) (Adm. Spon.)
- Proposed
Order #8094 Ordered that the Town Council refer a request from James Bruni to develop a contract zone for property located on County Road (Tax Map 4 lot 6.008) to the Ordinance Committee for their review and recommendation.
- Item #8095 Action to consider a request from Chandler and Christine Bearce to develop a contract zone for property located at 18 County Road (Tax Map 6, lot 8) (Adm. Spon.)
- Proposed
Order #8095 Ordered that the Town Council refer a request from Chandler and Christine Bearce to develop a contract zone for property located at 18 County Road (Tax Map 6, lot 8) to the Ordinance Committee for their review and recommendation.
- Item #8096 Action to consider appropriating funds to correct problems with the Town's radio communication system resulting from the federally required conversion from broad band to narrow band radio communications. (Adm. Spon.)
- Proposed
Order #8096 Ordered that the Town Council appropriate \$60,738 from the Equipment Reserve Fund to make improvements to the Town's radio communication system that are needed as a result of the federally required conversion from broad band to narrow band radio communication.
- Item #8097 Action to consider supporting an application from the Maine Department of Transportation to the U. S. Department of Transportation for funding to rebuild the Mountain Division rail line from City of Portland to Town of Baldwin. (Adm. Spon.)
- Proposed
Order #8097 Ordered that the Town Council endorse the attached letter supporting an application from the Maine Department of Transportation to the U. S. Department of Transportation asking for funding to rebuild the Mountain Division rail line from the City of Portland to the Town of Baldwin.

Item #8098 Action to consider a recommendation from the Finance Committee to establish an account for the purpose of accepting donations to restore and move the Founders Monument. (Spon Finance Committee 3-0)

Proposed
Order #8098 Ordered, that the Town Council establish an account for the purpose of accepting donations to restore and move the Founders Monument from its current location at the corner of Church Street and School Street (Route 114) to a location on the front lawn area near the Municipal Center.

Item #8099 Action to consider a recommendation from the Finance Committee to establish a committee to develop a landscape design for the lawn (or courtyard) area in front of the Municipal Center. (Spon Finance Committee 3-0)

Proposed
Order #8099 Ordered that the Town Council authorize the establishment of a committee to develop a landscape design for the lawn (or courtyard) area in front of the Municipal Center.

Item #8100 Action to consider adopting a post issuance compliance policy relating to Bonds issued by the Town. (Adm. Spon.)

Proposed
Order #8100 Ordered that the Town Council approve a post issuance compliance policy relating to Bonds issued by the Town, as presented.

Item #8101 Action to consider going into Executive Session pursuant to Title 36, MRSA, Section 841(2) for the purpose of considering an application for an abatement of taxes based on poverty. (Adm. Spon.)

Proposed
Order #8101 Ordered, that the Town Council go into Executive Session pursuant to Title 36, MRSA, Section 841(2) for the purpose of considering an abatement of taxes based on poverty.

ADJOURN