

AGENDA AND PROPOSED ORDERS
GORHAM TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
October 2, 2012, 7:00 pm
Gorham Municipal Center – Burleigh H Loveitt Council Chambers

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call of the Town Council

Acceptance of the minutes of the September 4, 2012 Regular Meeting, and the September 21, 2012 Special Meeting as printed and distributed.

Open Public Communications

Councilor Communications/Committee Reports

Town Manager’s Report

School Committee Report

Old Business

Item #8219 Action to consider appropriating \$7,500 from unallocated Capital Part 2 funds for the purpose of developing an overall downtown parking and circulation plan. (Councilor Mattingly Spon.)

Proposed
Order #8219 The Order as previously moved and seconded, Ordered that the Town Council appropriate \$7,500 from unallocated Capital Part 2 funds for the purpose of developing an overall downtown parking and circulation plan for the potential utilization of the newly acquired lots and utilize concepts outlined in the downtown master plan and, that the process of developing the plan involves local businesses, residents, community stakeholders and representatives from the Gorham Economic Development Corporation and the Town Council.

New Business

Public
Hearing #1 A Public Hearing to receive comment on Referendum Question #1 on the ballot November 6, 2012. This public hearing is for informational purposes and no further Town Council action is needed.

Referendum Question #1

Shall a capital expenditure of a sum of money not to exceed \$450,000 be approved to pay for costs of acquisition of one (1) fire engine and related equipment, such \$450,000 amount to be paid from existing funds of the Town and/or raised by the issuance of general obligations bonds and/or notes of the Town, hereby authorized, with the amount to be paid from existing funds of the Town and the amount to be bonded to be determined by the Municipal Officers, with the bonds to have such dates, maturities, denominations, interest rate(s) and other details (including provisions that the bonds may be subject to call for redemption with or without premium) as said Municipal Officers shall determine? (Total estimated debt service of \$549,000 of which the maximum principal amount is \$450,000 and estimated interest thereon at 2.75% over 15 years is \$99,000.00)

Note: The Town Council recommends a “Yes” vote.

Public

Hearing #2 A Public Hearing to receive comment on Referendum Question #2 on the ballot November 6, 2012. This public hearing is for informational purposes and no further Town Council action is needed.

Referendum Question #2

Shall a capital expenditure not to exceed \$500,000 dollars be approved to pay for the costs of renovation, improvement and equipping of the existing Little Falls School Building and Little Falls Rec Area (located at 668 Gray Road), such amount to be raised by the issuance of general obligations bonds and /or notes of the Town, hereby authorized, with the bonds and notes to have such dates, maturities, denominations, interest rate(s) and other details (including provisions that the bonds may be subject to call for redemption with or without premium) as said Municipal Officers shall determine.

Note: The Town Council recommends a "Yes" vote.

Public

Hearing #3 A Public Hearing on the renewal of Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard Permits for 2013.

Item #8224 Action to approve renewal of Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard Permits for 2013. (Adm. Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8224 Ordered, that the Town Council approve renewal of the following Automobile Graveyard/Junkyard Permits for 2013:

DARYL WESTON	LKQ CORP./GORHAM AUTO	176 NARRAGANSETT ST
RALPH CARTONIO	SOUTH ST AUTO BODY	346 SOUTH STREET
DAVE MCCULLOUGH	M & D RENTAL	393 OSSIPEE TRAIL
GARY NELSON	CHE'T'S AUTO SALES	475 OSSIPEE TRAIL
DONALD HOPKINS	HOPKINS SALVAGE	230 NORTH GORHAM RD
BRUCE YOUNG	YOUNG'S AUTO SALVAGE	721 FORT HILL ROAD
GORDON REICHERT	REICHERT'S AUTO BODY	112 SHAWS MILL ROAD
SHAWN MOODY	MOODYS/INS AUTO AUCTION	200 NARRAGANSETT ST
JOHN DUMBROCYO	DUMBO ENTERPRISES	86 LONGFELLOW ROAD

Item #8225 Action to consider appointing a Little Falls Building Committee. (Adm. Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8225 Ordered, that the Town Council appoint (3 Council Members) _____, _____ and _____ from the Town Council and _____ and _____ as community members to the Little Falls Building Committee, and

Be It Further Ordered, that the Town Manager and Recreation Director shall serve as Ex Officio members of the Committee.

Item #8226 Action to consider appropriating funds to demolish a Town building, located at 21 Main Street. (Adm. Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8226 Ordered, that the Town Council appropriate \$18,500 from the Contingency Account to demolish the Town Building located at 21 Main Street.

Item #8227 Action to consider accepting assets forfeited in a drug case. (Adm. Spon.)

Proposed
Order #8227

Ordered, that the Town Council accept a 2003 Chevrolet Avalanche Z-71, as an asset forfeited in a drug case with the vehicle to be used for law enforcement purposes, and

Be It Further Ordered, that the Town Council authorize the Town to accept cash forfeited in said drug case, and

Be It Further Ordered, that the forfeited cash (estimated amount of cash is \$14,060.98) be placed in the DEA Reimbursement Account.

Item # 8228

Action to consider authorizing the Town to solicit sealed bids for several properties acquired by Tax Lien Foreclosure. (Finance Committee Spon. 3-0)

Proposed
Order #8228

Ordered, that the Town Council authorize the Town Manager and Finance Director to solicit sealed bids for the properties listed in the attached and acquired by Tax Lien Foreclosure with the following minimum bid requirements:

1. Minimum bid accepted shall be the amount for all outstanding taxes, interest and costs.

2. Conveyance of the property shall be by quit claim deed.

3. TERMS: A 10% deposit remitted with sealed bids (nonrefundable to the highest bidder) in cash or certified U. S. Funds, made payable to the Town of Gorham, with balance due and payable within 45 days from the date of high bidder notification of the Town of Gorham's acceptance. Non-winning bids will receive full deposit refunds, and

Be It Further Ordered, that after reviewing the bids staff shall bring their recommendations for the properties to the Town Council for final approval.

Item #8229

Action regarding the November 6, 2012 Presidential Election, Annual Municipal Election and Portland Water District Trustee Elections. (Adm. Spon.)

Proposed
Order #8229

Ordered by the Town Council that the polls be open for the November 6, 2012 Presidential, Annual Municipal and Portland Water District Trustee Elections between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that absentee ballots will be processed on Monday, November 5, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. and on Tuesday, November 6, 2012 at 8:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Town Clerk and the Registrar of Voters are in session between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 30th and Wednesday, October 31st; 8:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on Thursday November 1, 8:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on Friday, November 2; 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Monday, November 5, 2012 for the purpose of registering citizens to vote, correcting the voter list; and accepting Absentee Ballots, and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Town Council appoint the following Wardens and Ward Clerks for the November 6, 2012 Presidential, Annual Municipal and Portland Water District Trustee Elections and that the Town Clerk is authorized to make changes to these appointments as needed:

Ward 1: Warden – Susan Emerson, Ward Clerk - Laurel Smith

Ward 2: Warden - Patricia Clay, Ward Clerk - Nancy Kenty

Central: Warden – Laurie Nordfors, Ward Clerk – Marina Lewis

Item #8230 Action to consider setting a date for the November regular monthly meeting of the Town Council. (Adm. Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8230 Ordered that the Town Council schedule the November 2012 Regular Meeting to November 13, 2012 due to the Election.

Item #8231 Action to consider asking the Planning Board to review technical adjustments needed in the Town's Official Zoning Map for individual lots located in the Gorham Village Center District and Urban Commercial District that are recommended by staff for adjustment. (Councilor Mattingly Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8231 Whereas, the area of the Gorham Village Center District and Urban Commercial District, in one of the Town's vibrant and active commercial areas and contains many relatively small lots, and

Whereas, there are individual lots in these zones that are partly located in 2 different Zoning Districts, and

Whereas, having individual lots subjected to the development standards of 2 different Zoning Districts can hamper the ability to use or develop those lots, and

Whereas, "common sense" may indicated that some of these lots should be entirely in one district while other lots, because of circumstances related to the individual lot, should be located in more than one zoning district,

Now Therefore Be It Ordered, that the Town Council ask the Planning Department to review the lots in the Gorham Village Center District and Urban Commercial District and prepare a proposal to amend the Town's Official Zoning Map, that would make the technical amendments to individual lots where it makes good sense, and

Be It Further Ordered, that the Planning Staff present their recommendations to the Planning Board and for the Board to hold their Public Hearing on the proposed changes and make their recommendations to the Town Council.

Item #8232 Action to consider making an appointment to the Planning Board. (Appointments Committee Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8232 Ordered, that the Town Council appoint _____ to fill an unexpired term on the Planning Board with the term to expire on March 31, 2013.

Adjourn