

AGENDA AND PROPOSED ORDERS
GORHAM TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
November 18, 2014
Burleigh H. Loveitt Council Chambers

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call of the 2013-2014 Council

Acceptance of the minutes of the October 7, 2014 Town Council Regular Meeting.

Acceptance of the October 7, 2014 Special Town Council meeting.

Open Public Communications

Councilor Communications

Town Manager Report

School Committee Report

Election Report

Swearing in of the newly-elected Councilors

Roll call of the 2014-2015 Council

Old Business

Item #8425 Action to consider a recommendation from the Finance Committee to retain tax acquired property Tax Map 47, Lot 3) off Libby Avenue, for public use. (Finance Committee spon. 2-0)

Proposed

Order #8425 Ordered, that the Town Council approve retaining a 30 acre parcel of tax acquired property (Tax Map 47, Lot 3) off Libby Avenue and near the Little River, for current and future public use.

New Business

Item #8529 Action regarding Election of a Council Chairman for 2014-2015 (admin spon.)

Proposed
Order #8529 Ordered, that the Town Council elect _____ as Chairman of the Town Council for the 2014-2015 year.

Item #8530 Action regarding election of a Council Vice-Chairman for 2014-2015. (admin spon.)

Proposed
Order #8530 Ordered, that the Town Council elect _____ as Vice-Chairman of the Town Council for the 2014-2015 year.

Item# 8531 Action regarding appointment of members to the following Council Committees. (admin. Spon.)

Proposed
Order# 8531 1. Finance Committee
2. Ordinance Committee
3. Appointments Committee
4. Economic Development/Capital Improvements Committee
5. Representative to Greater Portland Council of Governments
6. Representative to Ecomaine
7. Representative to Jetport Noise Abatement Committee
8. Pacts Policy Committee Representative

Item# 8532 Action regarding acceptance of the Council Rules for 2013-2014. (Admin. Spon.)

Proposed
Order #8532 Ordered, that the Town Council adopt Council Rules as were adopted for the year 2014-2015, as the Council Rules for the 2014-2015 year.

Public
Hearing #1 Public Hearing on a new restaurant liquor license for Lucky Thai Restaurant.

Item# 8533 Action to consider approving a new restaurant liquor license for Lucky Thai Restaurant. (admin Spon.)

Proposed
Order #8533 Ordered, that the Town Council approve a new Restaurant Liquor license for Bouasanith Onemiravong d/b/a Lucky Thai Restaurant located at 25 Elm Street.

Item # 8534 Action to consider accepting a bid for a property acquired through a foreclosure tax lien. (admin Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8534 Ordered, that the Town Council accept the bid of Mike Fowler for a parcel of land, approximately 2.9 acres, off Deering Road (Tax Map 14, Lot 6.101), in the amount of \$15,688.

Item #8535 Action to consider accepting a bid for a parcel of land acquired through a foreclosed tax lien. (admin spon.)

Proposed

Order #8535 Ordered, that the Town Council accept the bid of Brian Hodgkin for a parcel of land, approximately 13.9 acres, off Deering Road (Tax Map 14, Lot 6.102), in the amount of \$8,000.

Item #8536 Action to consider accepting a proposal from Port City Architecture for the Public Safety Project. (admin spon)

Proposed

Order #8536 Ordered, that the Town Council accept a proposal from Port City Architecture for Architectural and Engineering services as outlined in their proposal dated November 6, 2014.

Item # 8537 Action to consider authorizing the Town to solicit a request for proposals to provide Construction Management Services for the Public Safety Project. (admin spon.)

Proposed

Order #8537 Ordered, that the Town Council authorize the Town Manager to solicit Qualification and Proposals for Construction Management Services for the Public Safety Project.

Item #8538 Action to consider a request for Shaw Brothers Construction to rezone 6 parcels of property, located on Mosher Road, from Suburban Residential to Industrial. (admin spon.)

Proposed

Order #8538 Ordered, that the Town Council refer a request from Shaw Brothers Construction, to rezone 6 parcels of property, owned by Shaw Brothers and comprised of approximately 23 acres, from Suburban Residential to Industrial, to the Planning Board for public hearing and the Board's recommendation.

Item #8539 Action to consider appropriating funds to adjust the Assistant Code Enforcement Officer position to full time. (admin spon.)

Proposed

Order #8539 Ordered, that the Town Council appropriate \$22,800 from the contingency account to bring the Assistant Code Enforcement Officer position to regular full-time status, 40 hours per week, effective December 1, 2014.

Item # 8540 Action to consider a transfer of ownership of Baxter Memorial Library's James Phinney Baxter Collection, to the Portland Public Library. (admin spon.)

Proposed

Order #8540 Ordered, that the Town Council , pursuant to a recommendation of the Trustees at Baxter Memorial Library and a recommendation of the Gorham Historical Society, approve an agreement to transfer ownership of James Phinney Baxter archival materials currently held at Baxter Memorial Library, to the Portland Public Library where it can be properly preserved, be more accessible and join the already extensive collection of James Phinney Baxter and Percival Proctor Baxter materials housed at the Portland Public Library.

Item #8541 Action to consider a proposal to amend the Land Use and Development Code to allow A-Frame sandwich board signs in Gorham Village and also allow directional signs for Farm stands. (Ordinance Comm. Spon. 3-0)

Proposed

Order #8541 Ordered, that the Town Council refer a proposal to amend Chapter II, Section III, Signs of the Land Use and Development Code to allow A-Frame signs and allow directional signs for Farm stands, to the Planning Board for public hearing and the Board's recommendation.

Item #8542 Action to consider amending the Land Use and Development Code to allow a residential garage as a principle use. (Councilor Phinney spon.)

Proposed

Order #8542 Ordered, that the Town Council refer a proposal to amend the Land Use and Development Code to allow a residential garage as a principle use, to the Planning Board for public hearing and the Board's recommendation.

Item #8543 Action to consider updating the Mutual Aid Agreement for Fire and Emergency Response between the Towns of Gorham and Windham. (admin spon.)

Proposed

Order #8543 Ordered, that the Town Council approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town of Windham and the Town of Gorham to address Mutual Fire and Emergency response.

Item #8544 Action to go into executive session pursuant to Title 1, MRSA Section 405 (6) (C) to discuss the condition and disposition of property at 21 Main Street and pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Section 405 (6) (E) to discuss the Phinney Street litigation.

Proposed

Order #8544 Ordered, that the 7 Town Councilors go into executive session pursuant to Title 1, MRSA Section 405 (6) (C) to discuss the condition and disposition of property at 21 Main Street and pursuant to Title 1, MRSA Section 405 (6) (E) to discuss the Phinney Street litigation.

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