

AGENDA AND PROPOSED ORDERS
GORHAM TOWN COUNCIL
March 4, 2014
BURLEIGH H. LOVEITT COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Roll Call

Acceptance of the minutes of the February 4, 2014 Town Council Regular Meeting.

Open Public Communications

Councilor Communications

Town Manager Report

Andy Hyland from Port City Architecture will make a presentation regarding Police and Fire Station facilities.

School Committee Report

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| Public Hearing #1 | A Public Hearing on the renewal Golf Club Liquor License in the name of Gorham Country Club. |
| Item #8426 | Action regarding a renewal Golf Club Liquor License in the name of Gorham Country Club. (Adm. Spon.) |
| Proposed Order #8426 | Ordered that the Town Council approve a renewal Golf Club Liquor License in the name of Harold & Kathy Hawkes d/b/a Gorham Country Club located at 93 McLellan Road. |
| Public Hearing #2 | A Public Hearing on a new Restaurant Liquor License in the name of The Blue Pig Diner. |
| Item #8427 | Action regarding a new Restaurant Liquor License in the name of The Blue Pig Diner. (Admin. Spon.) |
| Proposed Order #8427 | Ordered, that the Town Council approve a new Restaurant Liquor License for Paul Kennedy d/b/a The Blue Pig Diner located at 29 School Street. |
| Item # 8428 | Action to consider asking Stacy Benjamin, from the Maine Farmland Trust, to assist the Town in developing the Farming and Agricultural aspects of the Town's Comprehensive Plan update. (Councilor Hartwell Spon.) |
| Proposed Order #8428 | Ordered, that the Town Council request consulting services from Stacy Benjamin, of the Maine Farmland Trust, to assist the Town in developing the Farming and Agricultural aspects of the Town's Comprehensive Plan update, at no cost to the Town. |

Item #8429 Action to consider a request from Avesta Housing to amend an existing Contract Zone or create a new Contract Zone. (Admin. Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8429 Ordered, that the Town Council refer a request from Avesta Housing, to amend an existing Contract Zone to allow the development of 24 new Senior Housing apartments at 99 School Street, to the Planning Board for a Public Hearing and the Planning Boards' recommendation.

Item #8430 Action to consider amending Chapter II, Section XII, the Keeping of Farm Animals, of the Land Use and Development Code. (Councilor Hartwell. Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8430 Ordered, that the Town Council ask the Ordinance Committee to review Chapter II, Section XII, the Keeping of Farm Animals, and develop a different system for determining the number of animals that may be kept and review the Section for any other suggested changes and report back to the Town Council on the Committee's recommendations.

Item #8431 Action to consider accepting a resignation from the Planning Board. (Admin Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8431 Ordered, that the Town Council accept the resignation of Corey Theriault from the Planning Board, and
Be It Further Ordered, that the Town Council thank Mr. Theriault and express it's appreciation for his service to the Gorham Community.

Item #8432 Action to consider endorsing an application for funding to PACTS for drainage improvements on Gray Road. (Admin. Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8432 Ordered, that the Town Council endorse an application for funding to PACTS for drainage improvements on approximately 2400 feet of Gray Road with an initial estimated project cost of \$298,000 and a local funding requirement of twenty-five (25%) percent.

Item #8433 Action to consider endorsing an application for funding to PACTS for improvements to traffic signals on Main Street. (Admin. Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8433 Ordered, that the Town Council endorse an application for funding to PACTS for improvements to traffic signals on Main Street with an initial estimated project cost of \$198,000 and a local funding requirement of twenty-five (25%) percent.

Item #8434 Action to consider establishing a Committee to study the feasibility of developing a Historic Preservation Ordinance. (Councilor Roullard Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8434 Ordered, that the Town Council establish a Committee of 7 people to study the feasibility of developing a Historic Preservation Ordinance with the Committee asked to assess the potential impact to businesses and individual residential owners who own, reside or are located within buildings, to identify the buildings that could be impacted by the Ordinance and to examine how current building codes are applied to these buildings and
Be It Further Ordered, that upon completion of their work, the Committee provide a report to the Council with a recommendation about whether to develop a Historic Preservation Ordinance

or not and if it is recommended to develop and Ordinance, whether it should apply to residential and/or business property, and
Be It Further Ordered, that the Town Council ask Councilor Roullard to work with other Council members and prepare a recommendation of people to serve on the Committee for the Council to consider.

Item #8435 Action to consider appropriating funds to provide engineering services for the project to upgrade the heating system at the former Little Falls School Building. (Admin. Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8435 Ordered, that the Town Council appropriate \$11,500 from the Little Falls bond funds to provide engineering services for the project to upgrade the heating system at the former Little Falls School Building.

Item #8436 Action to consider accepting a gift to Baxter Memorial Library from the Clarence and Myrtle Smith Family Charitable Trust. (Admin. Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8436 Ordered, that the Town Council accept a gift of five (\$5,000) dollars from the Clarence and Myrtle Smith Family Charitable Trust, to be used by Baxter Memorial Library for general purposes, and
Be It Further Ordered, that the Town Council express its sincere appreciation for the thoughtful gift.

Item #8437 Action to consider going into Executive Session pursuant to Title 1, MRSA Section 405 (6) (D) and (E) to discuss labor negotiations with the Fire and Rescue Department Union and litigation. (Admin Spon.)

Proposed

Order #8437 Ordered, that the Town Council go into Executive Session pursuant to Title 1, MRSA Section 405 (6) (D) and (E) to discuss labor negotiations with the Fire and Rescue Department Union and discuss litigation.

ADJOURN

