

REPORT OF MEETING
GORHAM TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
December 3, 2013

Chairman Phinney opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were 12 members of the public present at the start of the meeting.

Roll Call: Chairman Phinney; Councilors: Roullard, Moulton, Phillips, Benner, Robinson, Hartwell; Town Manager David Cole, Acting Town Clerk Jennifer Elliott.

Moved by Councilor Moulton, Seconded by Councilor Benner and Voted to accept the Minutes of the November 12, 2013 Town Council Meeting. 7 years.

Open Public Communications

There were no comments from the Public.

Councilor Communications

Councilor Phillips Thanked the Recreation Department for their hard work on the tree lighting and the lights parade, it was very successful. She also thanked people for the well wishes on behalf of her husband that is battling an illness.

Councilor Moulton reminded the public that volunteers are need for the local committees, Parks & Conservation, Recycling, Board of Appeals, Planning Board, Economic Development Corporation, Board of Library Trustees, Board of Health, Fair Hearing Board and Board of Voter registration Appeals.

Councilor Roullard Thanked the Recreation Department for the lights parade and reminded people about the New Year's Gorham event and that Buttons are on sale.

Town Manager Report

David Cole stated that there will be a Council Workshop on December 18 at 6pm at the Municipal Center and 2 items to be discussed are the Public Safety Building and the Little Falls School Project.

School Committee Report

Dennis Libby reported that the three standing committee assignments were made at the last meeting and are as follows; Finance Committee; Darryl Wright, Chair; Dennis Libby, Tim Burns Policy Committee; Kathy Garrard, Chair; Sara Nelson, John Doyle. Personnel Committee; Sara Nelson, Chair; Darryl Wright, Kyle Bailey. The school department is starting a search process for a new head football coach. There will be a Dine and Discuss with Sebago Alliance on December 9 at St. Joseph's College to review programs. He also reported they are midway through the

annual tour of each School's Partner in Education monthly meeting and the next School Committee Meeting is scheduled for December 11th, 2013 at 7pm in Council chambers.

Chairman Phinney opened the Public Hearing on a new Victular's License in the name of Christopher Raney d/b/a iSpoon Frozen Yogurt. Peter Davis from iSpoon Frozen Yogurt spoke about this business being a destination spot that is a great place to gather and have healthy snacks.

There were no other comments from the public and the hearing was closed at 7:10 pm

Item #8393 Moved by Councilor Robinson, Seconded by Councilor Benner and ORDERED, that the Town Council approve a new Victular's License in the name of Christopher Raney, d/b/a iSpoon Frozen Yogurt, located at 102 Main Street, unit #6. 7 yeas.

Item #8394 Moved by Councilor Robinson, Seconded by Councilor Moulton and ORDERED, that the Town Council accept an amended and reorganized Rules of the Gorham Town Council, as presented, to be effective immediately and until the November 2014 Council Meeting, unless the Town Council amend the Rules sooner. 6 yeas. 1 nay (Phillips) Prior to the above vote, Jim Means spoke of his concern of legal costs in preparing changes to the Council Rules.

Item #8395 Moved by Councilor Robinson, Seconded by Councilor Roullard and ORDERED, that the Town Council ask staff to draft the Contract Zone document, with allowing the sale of gasoline, but otherwise consistent with the other Contract Zones in the South Gorham area, for the request of Joseph and Karen Nadeau who are requesting a Contract Zone for their property at 60 County Road, Similar to the other Contract Zones in the South Gorham area, and refer the proposed Contract to the Planning Board for Public Hearing and their recommendation. 3 yeas, 4 nays (Roullard, Moulton, Benner, Hartwell) ITEM FAILS Prior to the above vote Jim Means spoke in opposition to contract zoning.

Item #8396 Moved by Councilor Moulton, Seconded by Councilor Phillips and ORDERED, that the Town Council schedule a Public Hearing for January 7, 2014 on a proposal to update the Town's Comprehensive plan. 7 yeas.

Item #8397 Moved by Councilor Moulton, Seconded by Councilor Roullard and ORDERED, that the Town Council accept Snowberry Drive, in Peterson Fields Subdivision, located off Brackett Road, as a Public Road, and Be It Further Ordered, that Snowberry Drive be classified as a Rural Access Road. 7 yeas. Prior to the above vote, Bernard Broader spoke of his support of the Council's caution in changes and asked about further details of this Road.

Item #8398 The proposed order was Moved by Councilor Robinson, Seconded by Councilor Moulton. Moved by Councilor Robinson, Seconded by Councilor Moulton to AMEND the proposed order to strike "in the Rural District". 7 yeas. The Order as AMENDED, results in the following; ORDERED, that the Town Council ask the Ordinance Committee to work with staff and develop a proposal that will provide more flexibility in allowing home occupation businesses for the Town Council to consider at a future meeting. 7 yeas

Item #8399 Moved by Councilor Robinson, Seconded by Councilor Roullard and ORDERED, that the Town Council accept a proposal from Wright Pierce to update the Gorham Main Street Master Plan, adopted by the Town Council on March 14, 2000, and

Be It Further Ordered, that the Town Council appropriate \$4,000 for the Contingency account for the Town's share to go with a \$21,000 Community Development Block Grant, for a project cost of \$25,000.
7 yeas.

Moved by Councilor Moulton, Seconded by Councilor Benner and VOTED to waive Council Rules to take up an item not on the agenda. 7 yeas.

Item #8400 Moved by Councilor Phillips, Seconded by Councilor Robinson and ORDERED, that the Town Council go into Executive Session pursuant to Title 1 MRSA Section 405 (6) (E) to discuss litigation.
7 yeas.

Moved by Councilor Robinson, Seconded by Councilor Moulton to come out of Executive Session.
7 yeas.

Moved by Councilor Phillips, Seconded by Councilor Moulton and VOTED to ADJOURN. 7 yeas.
Time of adjournment 8:23 p.m.

A TRUE RECORD OF MEETING

Attest:

Jennifer Elliott, Acting Town Clerk