

TOWN OF GUILDHALL
SELECTBOARD MEETING

Via teleconference

Wednesday, December 15, 2020 @ 6:00 PM

Minutes

1. Call to Order 6:02 PM
2. Introductions

Gary Brown (GB), SB Chair; John Orłowski (JO), SB clerk; Susan McVetty (SM), SB vice-chair, Cemetery Commission Chair; George Blakeslee (gbl), Town Clerk/Treasurer, Lister Chair; Ted Joubert, Assistant Fire Chief Lancaster;
3. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Meeting, November 17, 2020 M, S, A
4. Conversation with Lancaster Fire/Ambulance
 - a. Ambulance Annual Rate 2021
 - b. current \$14.50/resident = \$3800
 - c. proposing \$45.00/resident = \$12,000 with 3-year phase-in increase of \$10.00/resident
 - d. \$380,000 total ambulance cost; 3 contract towns create 1/3 call load thus \$130,000
 - e. Contract towns population is 2782, thus \$45 per resident
5. Citizens' Concerns none
6. Announcements
 - a. Town Office – CLOSED Thursdays: Dec 24, 31
 - b. Trash pickup on holiday week Wednesdays: Dec 23, Dec 30
 - c. Trash Stickers mailed to Homestead property owners
 - d. Essex Co. preliminary Budget Meeting– Courthouse, December 28, 2020, 9 AM
 - e. Essex Co. Annual Budget Meeting– Courthouse, January 29, 2021, 9 AM
 - f. Board/Commission/Officer Annual Reports due by January 21, 2021
 - g. VLCT invitation – Equity Committee
7. Reports from Boards, Officers, Committees:
 - a. Treasurer's Report M, S, A pending Audit
 - i. Revenue \$ 864,019 vs. Expense \$ 732,411 (Jan 1 – Dec 15)
 - ii. WGSB/CDARS Balance \$ 380,592 (Dec 15)
 - iii. Budget vs. Actual – see handout

- b. Delinquent Tax Collector
 - i. Delinquent Property Taxes P\$ 33,767 I\$ 1,738 P\$ 2,701 T\$ 38,206
 - ii. Delinquent Water Rent P\$ 670 I\$ 23 P\$ 54 T\$ 747
- c. Road Commissioner's Report
 - i. Update on Road Condition/Work
 - ii. Granby, Fellows, North graded
 - iii. Granby grant will be completed in Spring
 - iv. Better Roads Grant will be submitted by December 18th
 - v. Hicks Logging is to repair the ruts they created
 - vi. Winter Sand and Salt is all in the Salt Shed
 - vii. Proposes to build an equipment shed at Salt Shed for Water & Road items
- d. Listers' Report
 - i. Finalize Grand List on Dec. 31st
- e. Zoning Admin's Report
 - i. A. Baldassarre needs Zoning Permit for AirBnB
 - ii. Motion – suggest the Planning Board update the Zoning Bylaws M, S, A

8. Old Business:

- a. Water Commission - new appointee - pending letter of interest

9. New Business:

- a. Set Date/Time for Town Budget Deliberative and Warrant hearings
Monday, January 18, 2021 @ 6 PM

10. Other none

11. Executive Session (if needed) none

12. Signing of Orders - authorize Town Clerk to sign Warrants M, S, A

13. Adjournment 7:11 pm

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