TOWN OF GUILDHALL SELECTBOARD MEETING

Thursday, January 18, 2024 @ 6:00 PM Minutes

1. Call to Order 6:00 PM

2. Introductions

Gary Brown (GB), Chair; John Orlowski (JO), Vice-Chair; Jason Sterling (JS), Clerk; George Blakeslee (gbl), Town Clerk/Treasurer;

Eileen Thietten, Zoning Administrator, Lister; Collector; Brad McVetty, road contractor;

3. Approval of Minutes

a. Regular Meeting, December 19, 2023 M, S, A

4. Citizens' Concerns

- a. Ed Clark update on Essex Co. Annual Budget Meeting
- b. Regina Astle letter of complaint re: M. Crum's Goats

5. Announcements

- a. Essex Co. Annual Meeting–Courthouse, January 31, 2024 @ 9 AM (+30%)
- b. Board/Commission/Officer Annual Reports due by January 21, 2024
- c. Nominating Consent Forms for Town Election due January 29, 2024

6. Reports from Boards, Officers, Committees:

- a. Treasurer's Report M pending audit, S, A
 - i. Revenue\$ 120 vs. Expense \$ 13,576 (Jan 1 Jan 16)
 - ii. WGSB/CDARS Balance \$ 325,283 (Jan 16)
 - iii. Budget vs. Actual see comparative budget under New Business

b. Delinquent Tax Collector

i.	Delinquent Property Taxes (21)	P\$ 3,114	I\$ 1,261	P\$ 249	T\$ 4,624
	Delinquent Property Taxes (22)	P\$ 3,772	I\$ 849	P\$ 302	T\$ 4,922
	Delinquent Property Taxes (23)	P\$ 10,863	I\$ 489	P\$ 869	T\$ 12,221
	Delinquent Property Taxes Total				T\$ 21,767
ii.	Delinquent Water Rent	P\$ 490	I\$ 22	P\$ 135	T\$ 647

- c. Road Commissioner's Report
 - i. Certificate of Highway Mileage signed
 - ii. Electronic Speed Signs obtaining quotes
 - Update on Road Condition/Work
 6 trees down to cut and clear after recent wind storm, couple of ruts on parts of
 Fellows Rd to put some gravel down on, Lunenburg doing fine job on Lamotte Rd
 plowing, rest of roads in pretty good shape overall

b. Listers' Report

- i. Finalized 2023 Grand List \$471,195
- ii. 2023 Equalization Report CLA 1.01; COD 6%; within acceptable limits
- d. Zoning Admin's Report
- e. 1 permit awaiting subdivision survey; Zoning Board made decision on A. Hodgdon variance request; Courthouse lighting hearing held

7. Old Business:

- a. MERP grant planning meeting scheduled mtg Feb 8th @ 10 AM
- b. MTAP auto coverage hold up (to write All Hazard Mitigation Plan)
- c. NEK Broadband update sign up available (no service date yet)
- d. Lancaster Fire 2024 contract \$11,745 same as 2023
- e. Historic District complaint Hearing was held on Jan 17th

8. New Business:

- a. 2024-2025 Tax Map Contract signed
- b. Review and Approve 2024 Proposed Municipal Budget of \$ 278,284.41 Motion to approve a Municipal Budget for 2024 of \$ 278,284.41, S, A
- c. Approve 2024 Town Article Warning M, S, A
- d. Presented 2024 Town Officer Election Warning
- e. Maidstone SB invitation, March 11, 2024 re: Twin State Energy Project
- 9. Other none
- 10. Executive Session (if needed) none
- 11. Signing of Orders
- 12. Adjournment 7:10 PM