

TOWN OF GUILDHALL  
SELECTBOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, Dec 16, 2025 6:00 PM  
Minutes

1. Call to Order 6:04 PM
2. Introductions
3. Gary Brown (GB), Chair; Jason Sterling (JS), Clerk; John Orlowski (JO), Vice-Chair; George Blakeslee (ge), Town Clerk/Treasurer;

Brad McVetty, road contractor; Rich Schiller, NEK Broadband rep

4. Approval of Minutes
  - a. Regular Meeting, October 21, 2025 M, S, A
  - b. Regular Meeting, November, 25, 2025 M, S, A
  - c. Resumed Meeting, December 15, 2025 M, S, A

5. Citizens' Concerns none

6. Announcements
  - a. Thank you cards
  - b. Trash Stickers for 2026 have been mailed in December
  - c. Trash/Recycling - Wednesdays, Dec 24 and Dec 31.
  - d. Christmas/New Years Break – Dec 22, 24, 29, 31
  - e. Essex County Preliminary Budget – Dec 31 @ 9 AM
  - f. Town Board/ Commission/Officer Annual Reports due by January 21<sup>st</sup>

7. Reports of the Boards, Officers and Committees
  - i. Treasurer's Report M pending audit, S, A
  - ii. Revenue \$ 1,115,805 vs. Expense \$ 1,118,200 (Jan 1 – Dec 18)
  - iii. WGSB/CDARS Balance \$ 279,081
  - iv. School payment \$ 613,335
  - v. Hold Harmless payment has been received \$ 48,194
  - vi. Budget vs. Actual handout

- a. Delinquent Tax Collector
  - i. See handout

DWT	P \$ 1,707	I \$ 109	F \$ 590	T \$ 2,406
DTC	P \$ 33,711	I \$ 1,661	P \$ 2,596	T \$ 37,968
TOTAL 2024:	\$ 4,815	\$ 895	\$ 385	\$ 6,094
TOTAL 2025:	\$ 28,897	\$ 766	\$ 2,211	\$ 31,874
  - ii. Tax Sale – Hodgdon/Branche – update

- b. Road Commissioner's Report
  - i. Grant Better Roads FY26 \$20k Fellows Rd – complete by Sep 30, 2026
  - ii. Grant in Aid FY26 \$10.5k – Hydrologically Connected by Sep 30, 2026 (pre)
  - iii. Grant Better Roads FY27 \$20k – submitted
  - iv. Electronic Speed Signs – update –
  - v. Update on roads – Salt Shed breaker box is damaged (NEKbroadband ?), salt/sand enough until Spring
  
- c. Listers' Report
  - i. Homestead filing complete
  - ii. Current Use nearly complete
  - iii. Tax Map updates received
  
- d. Zoning Admin's Report –
  - i. Bylaws being updated
  
- 8. Old Business:
  - a. NEK Broadband – year end report, awaiting VEC meter to make system active
  - b. MERP Grant – propane boiler in, heat exchanger in, windows half completed
  
- 9. New Business:
  - a. Education Preliminary Tax Rate Report
  - b. Set Date for FY26 Budget Planning – Tuesday, Jan 13, 2026 @ 6 PM
  - c. Potential Warning Articles – changing elected to appointed officers
  
- 10. Other
- 11. Signing of Orders
- 12. Adjournment 6:56 PM