TOWN OF GILFORD BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OCTOBER 9, 2014

The Budget Committee convened a duly posted, public meeting on Thursday, October 9, at 6:30pm in the 1st Floor Conference Room at Town Hall.

Members of the Budget Committee in attendance were: Chairman Phyllis Corrigan, Vice-Chairman Kevin Leandro, Allen Voivod, Sue Greene, Jeff Beane, Selectmen's Representative Richard Grenier, School Board Representative Karen Thurston, Robert Henderson, Norman Silber, David Horvath, Kevin Roy and Gunstock Village Acres Water District representative Fred Butler. Town Administrator Scott Dunn was in attendance acting as Secretary. Also present was Finance Director Geoff Ruggles.

Chairman Corrigan led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

During a review of the Minutes of May 15, K. Thurston noted the minutes should indicate she had never been told how to vote as a member of the Budget Committee by the School Board members. P. Corrigan made a motion to approve the minutes of May 15, 2014 as amended, seconded by D. Horvath and passed unanimously with 1 abstention, (P. Corrigan).

It was noted that there is still a need to hire a Budget Committee Secretary. Interested candidates should contact the Town Administrator.

The Town Administrator presented the Selectmen's recommended budget for FY2015 by summarizing a memorandum signed by the Board of Selectmen. Each Budget Committee member received the Town budget book. A brief question & answer period ensued.

- P. Corrigan reminded the members that minutes from the Subcommittee meetings must be prepared and submitted to the Town Clerk. She asked the Subcommittee members to schedule their meetings as soon as possible. It was noted the next meeting will be on October 23. P. Corrigan will be out of state on November 6.
- K. Roy inquired why there were no department managers present at the meeting to schedule their appointments with the Subcommittees. S. Dunn apologized and said he was not aware that this should have been arranged.

It was the consensus of the Budget Committee to have the revaluation assessment information (MS-1 Form) submitted to them by email when it becomes available.

D. Horvath inquired why tobacco products, more specifically chewing tobacco, were allowed to be used in the Town Hall. A. Voivod objected to this discussion as not being pertinent to the role of the Budget Committee.

At 7:10pm A. Voivod made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by R. Grenier and passed with all in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott J. Dunn, Town Administrator

Approved by the Budget Committee on the 23 kg day of October, 2014.

