

GUILFORD SELECTBOARD MEETING
March 28, 2016, 6:30 PM - Guilford Town Office

Selectboard Members Present: Gabby Ciuffreda, Dick Clark, Gordon Little, Troy Revis, Jr. (Vice Chair)

Not Present: Sheila Morse (Chair)

Officials/Staff Members Present: Katie Buckley (Town Administrator)

- I. Call to Order
- II. Recognition of Public – Ian Kiehle (BCTV), Kathy Wilde-Clark
- III. Rules of Procedure
- IV. New Additions
 - a. Boot Drop Request – Donald Spencer – Ruck Up – Mr. Spencer was running late. This item was moved to later in the agenda because Mr. Spencer had not yet arrived.
- V. Changes to Agenda Order
- VI. Approval of Minutes
 - a. March 14, 2016 - **ACTION:** Gabby moved to accept the minutes as written. Dick seconded. All were in favor. None opposed. Gordon abstained. Motion carried.
- VII. Old Business
 - a. Clarify Dog Officer duties questions from 3/14/16 – Gabby clarified that the Dog Officer duties do not include shooting a dog. The Selectboard has not condoned the Dog Officer or any other Town official shooting dogs; all dog issues in the past were handled according to the proper procedures. Dick explained some of the history of prior dog events and stated that the Dog Officer is authorized to shoot dogs. Gabby respectfully disagreed with Dick and offered to do additional research on the topic so that a clear conclusion on the matter may be reached.
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Boot Drop Request – Donald Spencer – Ruck Up – Mr. Spencer did not arrive in time for the meeting. He has been a long-time representative of Ruck-Up, Inc., a non-profit organization that supports American Vietnam Veterans. Each year, Mr. Spencer has requested approval to conduct a boot-drop on the Guilford Center Road near the Guilford Volunteer Fire Department between the hours of 9:00 AM-5:00 PM. behalf of Ruck-Up, Inc.; he is requesting it be Saturday, October 1, 2016. The board will convey to Mr. Spencer that he must communicate with VSP, WCSD, GVFD and local businesses to notify them of the event. All volunteers will wear traffic safety vests while working in the roadway and orange cones will be used to delineate the areas for the boot-drop. **ACTION:** Dick moved to

approve Ruck-Up, Inc.'s request to conduct a boot-drop as presented. Gabby seconded. All were in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion carried.

IX. Discussion/Updates

- a. Announcement – Dog licenses are due April 1st – Dogs must be licensed by April 1st. This is a Friday and the Town Office is closed on Fridays. If you plan to license your dog this week, please do so before the close of business (5:00 PM) on Thursday.

X. Highway

- a. General Update – Regular mud season work continues.
- b. Excess Weight Permits – Bazin Brothers, Derrig Excavating - **ACTION:** Gabby moved to approve the Excess Weight Permit as presented (they included the usual restrictions). Gordon seconded. All were in favor. None opposed. No abstentions. Motion carried.

XI. Finance

a. Warrants

Payroll – WE 3/21/16	\$ 11,154.20
Payroll – WE 3/27/16	\$ 5,920.01
Expense Warrant #1618	\$ 26,924.67 **
<u>Expense Warrant #18DP</u>	<u>\$ 49.50</u>
TOTAL	\$ 44,048.38

** \$11,196.50 paid to Cersosimo for gravel

ACTION: Gabby moved to pay the Payroll and Expense warrants as presented above with the condition that additional research is performed as backup on the Guilford Center Cemetery invoice before it is paid. Gordon seconded. All were in favor. No abstentions. None opposed. Motion carried.

XII. Communications

- a. Commons Article clipping, Carol Levin (via USPS) – “Old-timers versus newcomers on Town Meeting Day.”
- b. Senior Solutions, Council on Aging for Southeastern Vermont – Letter, 3/18/16 – Thank you for processing funding request.
- c. Fax, 3/28/16, Richard Davis, Health Officer – Animal Bite Report – The dog is an alleged Pit Bull mix, owned by John Bratton, 407 Bennett Road, Guilford; it is not licensed. The dog bit Robert Brownlee of Putney on the hand while he was at John Bratton’s residence on March 18, 2016, 10:30 PM. The dog remained healthy for the quarantined period. The owner reports that he will put the dog down due to repeated episodes of biting. There is no further involvement on the part of the Town since this event took place at the property of the dog owner.

XIII. Executive Session

- XIV.** Adjournment - **ACTION:** Gabby moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 PM. Gordon seconded. All were in favor. No abstentions. None opposed. Motion carried.

The next Guilford Selectboard Meeting will take place Monday, April 11, 2016, 6:30 PM at the Guilford Town Office.

All meetings are open to the public – we welcome and encourage you to come!



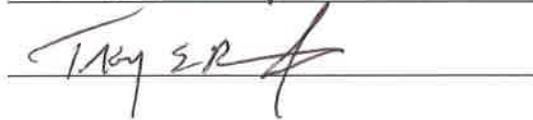
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