

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING
GORHAM TOWN BOARD
NOVEMBER 9, 2016**

The Gorham Town Board held a regular meeting and public hearing on Wednesday November 9, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Gorham Town Hall. Present were Supervisor Lightfoote, Councilmembers; Glitch, Case, Malcolm and Chard. Water Plant Chief Operator Coston, Highway Superintendent Ayers, Assessor Mineo, and Town Clerk Perrotte. Code Enforcement Officer Freida was necessarily absent. Other guests in attendance; Ryan Colvin.

1. Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag:
2. Privilege of the Floor: Mr. Ryan Colvin – Mr. Colvin is President of MRB Group, engineering and architectural firm. Mr. Colvin is also a resident of the Town of Gorham. He attended the meeting to introduce himself to the Board. Mr. Colvin said the MRB Group represents over 120 villages & towns throughout the State offering services such as; survey and site development, preservation projects and comprehensive and master plans and architectural services. MRB Group has been around for 90 years working with municipal clients. Mr. Colvin said being a Town of Gorham resident he is available twenty four seven if the Board has any questions for him.
3. 2017 Town Budget Public Hearing – Supervisor Lightfoote opened the public hearing at 7:35pm with no comment from the public the hearing was closed at 7:36pm.
4. Approval of Minutes – 10/12/16 meeting. On the motion by Councilmember Glitch, seconded by Councilmember Chard, the 10/12/16 meeting minutes were approved as submitted. Motion carried unanimously (4-0) with Councilmember Malcolm abstaining because he was necessarily absent from that meeting.

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5. Audit of Bills:

Abstract #11	A	285-317	\$33,484.58
	B	292-317	603.66
	SL	314-315	686.31
	DB	169-186	23,972.50
	SS	73-84	1,529.34

SW1	191-209	12,699.49
SW6	202	2,556.75
HO	40	2,654.85

On the motion by Councilmember Malcolm, seconded by Councilmember Case, the bills were approved for payment. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

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6. Reports of Town Officials:

- a. Water/Wastewater Plants - written report on file. Councilmember Case asked what the flow test means on the Water Department's Report. Chief Operator Coston said it is a test on the fire hydrants to make sure there is sufficient water flow from the hydrant. Hydrants are periodically tested to determine the pressure and flow adequacy to insure they are capable in an emergency.
- b. Highway Superintendent – written report on file. Superintendent Ayers is getting prices for a new roof on the salt barn at the Highway Department.
- c. Zoning – written report on file.
- d. Assessor – written report on file.
- e. Town Clerk – written report on file.
- f. Supervisor – no report on file.

On the motion by Councilmember Glitch, seconded by Councilmember Chard, the reports of Town Officials were approved. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

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7. Business:

- a. Highway Equipment Replacement Schedule – Supervisor Lightfoote said there is an added \$25,000.00 in the budget for repairing the hydraulic lift at the highway garage. That is the only change to the 2017 Town Budget that had not been previously discussed. Councilmembers and Highway Superintendent Ayers discussed the needed repairs to the lift and agreed to the added cost.
- b. 2017 Budget – Councilmembers discussed the proposed 2017 Budget. Supervisor Lightfoote asked if there were any questions on the Budget. Councilmembers were satisfied with the figures for the 2017 Budget.

On the motion by Councilmember Glitch, seconded by Councilmember Malcolm, the 2017 Town of Gorham Budget was adopted. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

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c. Employee Holiday Time Off – The Town has granted employees one extra day off for the Christmas/New Year Holiday in place of the official Columbus Day holiday in October. This day off is to be used at the discretion of their immediate supervisor.

On the motion by Councilmember Malcolm, seconded by Councilmember Case, to grant employees one extra day off at Christmas/New Year. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

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d. Supervisor Lightfoote explained to the Board the Ontario County Solid Waste Plan. The Solid Waste Management Plan is a community wide project with a goal to reduce, by sixty percent, landfill waste generated within the County. Because the County plans on being very aggressive about reducing waste, countywide, Supervisor Lightfoote said significant changes will need to take place in Gorham regarding the Transfer Station. Supervisor Lightfoote said changes will be taking place mid 2017.

8. Executive Session – On the motion by Councilmember Glitch, seconded by Councilmember Chard, the Board entered into executive session at 8:27pm to discuss pending litigation, Michael D. Cregg v Town of Gorham. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

No action was taken in executive session.

On the motion by Councilmember Glitch, seconded by Councilmember Case, the Board returned to regular session at 8:49pm. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

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9. Privilege of the Floor: none requested

10. Set next meeting date: the next regular meeting and public hearing for the zoning changes will be held on December 14, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall.

11. Adjournment: With no further business, on the motion by Councilmember Case, seconded by Councilmember Glitch, the meeting was adjourned at 8:54pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Darby Perrotte
Town Clerk