

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
GORHAM TOWN BOARD  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2010**

The Gorham Town Board held a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 8, 2010 at 7:30 PM at the Town Hall, Gorham, NY. Present were Supervisor Calabrese and Councilmembers, Adam-Anderson, Glitch, Hermet and Lightfoote, Code Enforcement Officer Freida, Assessor Davey, Highway Superintendent Ayers, Chief Water/Wastewater Superintendent Erb, Nick Miller, Barb and Don Christmas, and Town Clerk Hollenbeck.

1. Call to Order/Pledge to the Flag:
2. Privilege of the floor –
3. Approval of minutes of August 11, 2010 meeting. Councilmember Adam-Anderson moved to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilmember Lightfoote seconded the motion that carried unanimously. (5-1) **053-2010**

4. Reports of Town Officials –

a. Water/WasteWater Plants – Written report on file.

b. Highway Superintendent - Written report is on file. As you can see by the bills we did a lot of work over in the Crystal Beach area. Think we will be quite a bit under what we had estimated.

Supervisor Calabrese informed the Board that next year we will need to budget for new radios for Highway and Water/Sewer. Effective 1/1/13 there will be a change from low band to high band. Everyone in the County except the fire service will need to make that change. Fire service change will be effective in 2018. We are talking around \$50,000 for the Highway and about \$20,000 for the Water Department. Either the County or the State will bid out the radios, etc. and the cost may be less than anticipated. The new radios should be better than what we have now. Should work inside buildings and should not have to deal with "dead" areas. Four new towers will be built. After the change, it is expected to last many years.

c. Zoning – Written report is on file.

d. Assessor – Written report is on file.

e. Town Clerk – written report on file. Town Clerk Hollenbeck informed the Board that NYS Ag and Mkts will no longer be taking part in dog licensing effective January 1, 2011. The municipalities will be entirely responsible for dog licensing, sending out renewals, ordering tags, setting fees, etc. Currently the fees are \$12.50 (altered) and \$20.50 (unaltered); a portion of the licensing fees goes to Ontario County



B	281-295	1,278.49
SL	287,290	581.75
DB	144-157	15,772.04
SW1	159-178	10,078.10
SS	59-65	2,187.28
HD	29-33	182,403.22
HI	34	125.00

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

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7. Business:

a. 2011 Budget - Supervisor Calabrese stated that next few years will be difficult. We have a large capital project scheduled, the Crystal Beach drainage and road project. We do not expect an increase in sales tax revenue. Our options may be limp along as we have; borrow and bond for five years to complete the project; or implement a tax to cover the cost. The Lake Drive portion of the project is scheduled for 2012 and that will be the most costly part of the project. We have started this project, we need to follow through. Neither we nor the residents want to wait too long for completion. Later in 2011 we will be able to get a better handle on the costs, etc.

The Preliminary 2011 Budget was approved and on the motion by Councilmember Adam-Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Glitch, a public hearing is set for Wednesday, October 13, 2010 at 7:30 PM. Motion carried unanimously (5-0)

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b. RFP for incorporating comprehensive plan into zoning. We received three proposals. The Ranking Committee reviewed all proposals, interviewed each consultant and will submit a recommendation to the Town Board. Each of the consultants gave a presentation to the members of the Ranking Committee. Clark Patterson Lee put on a very good presentation. Behan Planning put on a good presentation, but the cost was \$10,000 higher. The committee recommended Clark Patterson Lee.

On the motion by Councilmember Adam-Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Lightfoote authorization is granted to retain Clark Patterson Lee as consultant to work with the Town on incorporating the Comprehensive Plan into the Zoning Local Law. Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

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Supervisor Calabrese stated that he and Mr. Harvey will meet with the consultant to go over hours, etc.

c. Hamlet Park dedication will take place on Saturday, October 2, 2010 at 10:00 AM at the park. Refreshments will be served.

d. Dog Licensing - addressed in 4.e. above.

e. Alternate members - Planning and Zoning Boards - We have a member on one of the Boards that is away for a number of months per year. He is a definite asset to the Board, but there are problems when he is away for three months at a time. There also have been times when someone forgets a meeting or is late, etc. The Town could adopt a local law allowing for alternates for the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals. Mr. Freida explained the need for a majority plus one to be present at many PB/ZBA meetings if there is a need to act on an application that may have been denied by the Ontario County Planning Board. There have been times when the application has had to be held over to the next month for action to be taken. This was briefly discussed. Supervisor Calabrese will work on a draft local law to address the issue of alternates.

f. Property Maintenance Law - Supervisor Calabrese and Mr. Freida are still working on the property maintenance issues and will be meeting with Attorney Jeff Graff in the very near future.

g. Painting Gorham Free Library - Supervisor Calabrese stated that he asked for three bids to paint the Gorham Free Library, but only one person responded. The bid was low, two coats of paint \$4750 including the paint.

After a brief discussion, Councilmember Hermenet moved to accept from Vanderpool Painting and Staining the bid for painting the Gorham Free Library at a cost of \$4750. Councilmember Adam-Anderson seconded the motion that carried unanimously. (5-0). **059-2010**

h. Property for sale on County Road 18. Supervisor Calabrese was contacted by the owner of two parcels on County Road 18 across from the Bed and Breakfast, wondering if the Town would be interested in purchasing the parcels. They both have a nice view of the lake. The soils are "challenging", there is no sewer. After a brief discussion, it was suggested that the Conservation Board rank and score the parcels and explore the possibilities.

i. Executive Session- On the motion by Councilmember Hermenet, seconded by Councilmember Adam-Anderson, the Board went into executive session to discuss possible litigation. Motion carried unanimously. **060-2010**

On the motion by Councilmember Adam-Anderson, seconded by Councilmember Glitch, the Board returned to the regular meeting. No action was taken in executive session. Motion carried unanimously. **061-2010**

8. Other -

1. Supervisor Calabrese informed the Board that the following terms expire 12/31/10: Robert Brancato, Conservation Board; George McCadden and Lizabeth Watkins, Planning Board; Jack Schilbe, Zoning Board and Roland Hoffman on the BAR. He further recommends that all but George McCadden be reappointed. We will discuss further Mr. McCaddens appointment at a later date. Those appointed to the PB and ZBA will be done in January, but Mr. Hoffman's appointment should be done now as his term is over 9/30/10.

After a brief discussion, Councilmember Adam-Anderson moved to reappoint Roland Hoffman to the Town of Gorham Board of Assessment Review for a five year term. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Glitch and carried unanimously. (5-0).

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2. Property on County Road #1 was briefly discussed (former Bero property, proposed park). It was suggested that that parcel should be cleaned up a little, at least bush hog around the perimeter. It would look a little nicer especially for the houses that are adjacent. Supervisor Calabrese will talk to Mr. Ayers to see if his crew can accomplish that.

9. Set next meeting date: October 13, 2010

10. Privilege of the floor - Barb Christmas asked to see the proposed budget, copy was given.

11. Adjournment: On the motion by Councilmember Hermenet, the meeting was adjourned at 9:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Hollenbeck  
Town Clerk