

## **Gilford School Board Meeting**

**Tuesday, October 20, 2020**

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The Gilford School Board held a budget work session on Tuesday, October 20, 2020 at the Gilford High School Library. Present were Board members, Gretchen Gandini, Kyle Sanborn, Jeanin Onos, Karen Thurston and Chris McDonough. Representing Gilmanton was Malcolm Macleod and Michelle Heyman. Administrators present were Brenda McGee, Anthony Sperazzo, Rick Acquilano, Brenda McGee, Ken Mulleavey, Kirk Beitler and Amie Leigh.

School Board Chair Chris McDonough called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., led the Pledge of Allegiance and confirmed posting of the meeting.

Superintendent Beitler presented an overview of the 2021-2022 proposed budget.

### **District Wide Budget**

Discussion ensued on the following topics:

- District Wide budget was reviewed.
- SRO compensation
- Legal fees
- Locking in oil rate earlier
- Insurance
- Compensation
- Busing - % paid last school

Chair McDonough made a motion to reduce the SRO compensation by \$1,000. The motion was seconded by Gretchen Gandini. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Chair McDonough made a motion to reduce legal fees by \$10,000 and increase special education legal fees by \$5,000. The motion was seconded by Gretchen Gandini. The motion passed with a 5-0 vote.

Chair McDonough motioned to budget \$2.50 per gallon for oil. The motion was seconded by Malcolm Macleod. The motion passed with a 7-0 vote.

Gretchen Gandini motioned to approve the District Wide Budget of \$10,215,377. Jeanin Onos seconded the motion which passed with a 7-0 vote.

### **Gilford High School Budget**

Anthony Sperazzo presented the high school budget.

Discussion ensued on the following topics:

- Huot Technical Center – how much has the shortfall been?
- Gilford/Belmont Football
- NEASC

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Chair McDonough motioned to reduce NEASC to \$2000. Gretchen Gandini seconded the motion which passed with a 7-0 vote.

Jeanin Onos motioned to approve the Gilford High School Budget of \$4,253,178. Chris McDonough second the motion which passed with a 6-0-1 vote. Kyle Sanborn abstained from the vote.

**Technology Budget**

Brenda McGee presented the Technology Budget. Discussion ensued.

Jeanin Onos motioned to purchase 35 computers for Gilford High School. Kyle Sanborn seconded the motion which passed with a 7-0 vote.

Jeanin Onos motioned to approve the Technology Budget of \$560,802. Gretchen Gandini seconded the motion which passed with a 5-0-2 vote. Michelle Heyman and Malcolm MacLeod abstained.

**Buildings & Grounds Budget**

Ken Mulleavey and Amie Leigh presented the Buildings and Grounds Budget.

Discussion ensued on the following topics:

- Staffing
- Plumbing & Heating costs
- Custodial substitutes
- Special projects

Chair McDonough motioned to reduce \$7,000 from the plumbing heating line at the elementary school. Gretchen Gandini seconded the motion which passed with a 5-0-2 vote. Michelle Heyman and Malcolm MacLeod abstained.

Chair McDonough motioned to reduce the elementary school propone line by \$1500 bringing it to \$2499. Gretchen Gandini seconded the motion which passed with a 5-0-2 vote. Michelle Heyman and Malcolm MacLeod abstained.

Chair McDonough motioned to reduce the custodial substitute line at Gilford Middle School by \$3,000. Gretchen Gandini seconded the motion which passed with a 5-0-2 vote. Michelle Heyman and Malcolm MacLeod abstained.

Gretchen Gandini motioned to increase the high school c/s special project line by \$1,000. Malcolm MacLeod seconded the motion which passed with a 7-0 vote.

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Michelle Heyman motioned to reduce the high school substitute custodian line to \$6,000. The motion was seconded by Gretchen Gandini and passed with a 7-0 vote.

Gretchen Gandini motioned to approve the Buildings and Grounds Budget of \$2,102,628. The motion was seconded by Karen Thurston and passed with a 5-0-2 vote. Michelle Heyman and Malcolm MacLeod abstained.

On a motion by Malcolm MacLeod and a second by Gretchen Gandini, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanin Onos  
School Board Secretary