

RESOLUTIONS-INDIVIDUALS

3. Voted to adopt the following resolution of appreciation to Morse E. Brown and that a copy be sent to Mr. Brown by the Clerk:

5 5 Whereas, Mr. Morse E. Brown has served the Town of Gilmanston as Selectman for a period of 18 years, in a conscientious and skillful manner, and,

Whereas, Mr. Brown further acted ably as the Moderator for the Town for many years, and,

Whereas, Mr. Brown determined this year, to refrain from candidacy for re-election as a member of the Board of Selectmen, be it hereby

Resolved, that the gratitude of the people of the Town for Mr. Brown's long devotion to his duties, and for his skill in their discharge be made a part of the record of this meeting, and a copy of this Resolution sent to him by the Clerk of the Town.

- 5 8 (b) Voted for a motion made by Col. Emond.

"We, the Towns-People of Gilmanston, N. H., assembled in Town Meeting, this 11th day of March 1958, do wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation to Mr. William B. Wilkins for his 3 years of service as a member of the Board of Education during the period March 1955 to March 1958., and further that this motion be spread upon the permanent records of this meeting."

- 6 0 (e) The following resolution as an expression of appreciation to Mr. Harold T. Mitchell for his many years of faithful service to the Town of Gilmanston were read by Mr. William T. Robertson and adopted by the voters.

Whereas, Mr. Harold T. Mitchell has served the Town of Gilmanston as Selectman during the period 1952 to 1960 in a most conscientious and thorough manner, and

Whereas, Mr. Mitchell further served the Gilmanston Iron Works Precinct as Commissioner for several years, and

Whereas, Mr. Mitchell has refrained from seeking re-election to public office at this time, be it hereby

Resolved, that the appreciation of the People of Gilmanston for Mr. Mitchell's unstinting giving of himself and of his time, and his outstanding devotion to, and performance of his duties be made a part of the proceedings of this meeting, and be it further

Resolved, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to Mr. Mitchell by the Town Clerk.

- 6 0 (f) It was also voted to extend to Mr. Howard G. Langley the same Resolution in appreciation for his many years of service to the Town.

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6 3 Art. 24. (a) The following resolution was read by the Moderator, Mr. Harry Besse, and was adopted by the voters:

WHEREAS, Mrs. Minnie Edgerly has served the Town of Gilmanton as its Clerk for a period of 24 years, and

WHEREAS, in the performance of her duties she has displayed unfailing courtesy to her fellow townspeople and discharged her responsibilities with extraordinary efficiency, and

WHEREAS, Almighty God, in His wisdom, has taken Mrs. Edgerly from us, be it

RESOLVED, that the sympathy of the town and an awareness of great loss be, and hereby is, conveyed to Mrs. Edgerly's family, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be permanently preserved in the records of the town so that future generations may know of the esteem and affection in which Mrs. Edgerly was held by the people of this community.

6 4 Art. 25. (a) A vote of thanks was given to Mr. Harry Besse for the Clock which he gave to the Town for use in the Town Hall.

6 6 A vote of thanks was given to Mr. Frank L. Uhlenberg, the Town's Representative to the General Court, for all the work he has done for the Town of Gilmanton.

6 6 The following motion, as an expression of appreciation to Mr. Amos R. Price for his long and faithful service to the Town of Gilmanton, was read by Colonel W. A. Emond and adopted by the voters:

"We, the Towns-People of Gilmanton, N.H., assembled in Town Meeting, this 8th day of March, 1966, do wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciations to Mr. Amos R. Price for his long and faithful services as Tax Collector for the Town of Gilmanton and for his unselfish devotion to the exacting duties of that office; said services having extended over a period of thirty-eight years; 1917-1922, and 1932-1965, and further that this motion be spread upon the permanent records of this meeting."

The following motion of appreciation to Mr. Richard Price for his outstanding services as Chief of the Gilmanton Iron Works Fire Department was read by Colonel W. A. Emond and adopted by the voters:

"We, the Towns-People of Gilmanton, N.H., assembled in Town Meeting, this 8th day of March, 1966, do wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciations to Mr. Richard Price for his outstanding services to his community as Chief, Gilmanton Iron Works, Fire Department, for the sixteen year period for 1950 through 1965. The demonstrated energy, loyalty and devotion to duty as exemplified by Mr. Price were major contributions toward the steady progress and improvement of the Department and to the reputation and prestige which it now enjoys; and it is further moved that this motion be spread upon the permanent records of this meeting."

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68 Motion; This meeting be recessed to 3:00 P.M., Sunday, March 17, 1968, for the sole purpose of providing a suitable testimonial to honor Mrs. Florence M. Durgin for her many years of outstanding service to the Town of Gilmanton in many capacities, more especially as Town Treasurer, Town Auditor, Treasurer of the Gilmanton School District and as school teacher to several generations of our citizenry. — Adopted.

68 The following motion as an expression of appreciation to Mrs. Florence C. Bordeau for her faithful and untiring services to the Town of Gilmanton, in many capacities during the past forty years, and that a copy of same be presented to Mrs. Bordeau:

Whereas Mrs. Florence C. Bordeau has faithfully and untiringly served the Town of Gilmanton, in the many responsibilities of the duties of Town Clerk, Town Auditor, Ballot Clerk, School Board Member, Clerk of the School District, Precinct Treasurer and Precinct Clerk;

Whereas, the present state of health of Mrs. Bordeau has precluded her filing for continuation in elective office, be it hereby;

RESOLVED, that we the citizens of Gilmanton, N.H., assembled in Town Meeting, this 12th day of March, 1968, do wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciations to Mrs. Florence C. Bordeau for her forty years of devoted and untiring services to the Town of Gilmanton in the aforesaid many elective offices and that this resolution be spread upon the permanent records of this meeting.

This resolution was unanimously adopted by the voters.

The following motion of appreciation to Mr. Melvin C. Bunker was adopted by the voters and the clerk was instructed to present a copy to Mr. Bunker:

68 Whereas Mr. Melvin C. Bunker has served the Town of Gilmanton as Selectman for a period of ten years and three months, November 25, 1957, to February 25, 1968, in a most loyal and devoted manner, and,

Whereas, Mr. Bunker has determined because of conditions of health and other pressing business responsibilities that he could not continue to serve as Selectman, be it hereby;

RESOLVED, that we the citizens of Gilmanton, N.H., assembled in Town Meeting, this 12th day of March, 1968, do wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciations to Mr. Melvin C. Bunker for his many years of service to the Town of Gilmanton as its duly elected Selectman and that this resolution be spread upon the permanent records of this meeting.

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The following resolutions were adopted:

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RESOLVED, that as a further expression of the appreciations of the citizens of the Town of Gilmanton, N.H., to Colonel Harry W. Besse, for his twenty-two and one-half years of devoted services to the Town of Gilmanton, and its citizens, as the duly elected Town Moderator (1955 thru 1976), be it hereby

RESOLVED: Whereas, the citizens of Gilmanton, N.H., assembled in Town Meeting the 5th day of March, 1974, did, upon the occasion of the Twentieth anniversary of Colonel Besse's services as Town Moderator, extend appropriate expressions of appreciations for his many years of exceptional service in said office, and

Whereas, Colonel Besse has continued to serve the Town of Gilmanton in the same exceptional manner for an additional two and one-half years, and

Whereas, Colonel Besse, by choice, did not choose to stand for re-election to said office of Town Moderator in the Primary Election of 1976, be it;

Resolved; that we the Towns-people of Gilmanton, N.H., assembled in Town Meeting this nineteenth day of March, 1977, do wish to again express our sincerest thanks and appreciations to Colonel Harry W. Besse for his many years of exceptional and devoted services to the Town of Gilmanton, N.H., and its citizens as the duly elected Town Moderator, and be it further

RESOLVED: that, we, the Towns-people of Gilmanton, N.H., assembled in Town Meeting, this nineteenth day of March, 1977, take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciations to Mr. Howard B. Osler, for his outstanding services as Selectman of the Town of Gilmanton.

These services over a nine year period, 1968-1977, have demonstrated;

A devoted sense of appreciation of the responsibilities of the office of Selectman.

A sincere interest in the solution of the problems of the individual citizen, and

Exceptional endeavors toward solution of the over-all community problems in such manner as to best serve the interests of citizens.

For these nine years of devoted service we join in a most grateful, "Thank you, Howard."

Mr. Moderator; I further move that the content of this resolution be spread upon the permanent records of this meeting.

The following resolution was submitted by Col. Wilfred A. Emond:

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Mr. Moderator:

I move the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Mr. David M. Bickford has served the Town of Gilmanton, N.H. and its citizens in the office of Selectman for the past eighteen years, (1960-1978), and

WHEREAS, in the performance of the duties of that office Mr. Bickford has exemplified those qualities of services to all citizens of the Town of Gilmanton such as to provide the maximum benefit to the entire community, and

WHEREAS, during his entire period of service Mr. Bickford has demonstrated those qualities of integrity, patience, courtesy, tolerance and unselfish devotion to the responsibilities of his office such as to reflect great credit to himself and honor to the office he has served so well, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Bickford has declined to seek re-election to that office, be it

RESOLVED: that the appreciation of the citizens of Gilmanton for Mr. Bickford's exceptional and honorable service to his community be made a part of the record of this Town Meeting. This resolution was adopted in the affirmative unanimously by a standing ovation.

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Proposed by: Col. W.A. Emond

Mr. Moderator: I move the adoption of the following testimonial.

80 The political and seasonal winds, which are now blowing, are giving a message of forthcoming changes in certain political aspirations. For this reason, we, the citizens of Gilmanton, N.H., assembled in Town Meeting this 15th day of March, 1980, do desire to offer this timely testimonial of our appreciation for the services rendered to his community, county, his state and his nation by one of our most distinguished citizens, the Honorable George B. Roberts, Jr.

This dedicated gentleman has represented the Town of Gilmanton, N.H., in the New Hampshire House of representatives from January 1967, to this date. During this period of service he has served two terms as Majority Leader, January 1971 - January 1975, and as Speaker of the House for three terms, January 1975 to the current date.

Further, during this entire period of service as a member of the New Hampshire House of Representatives, George B. Roberts, Jr., has served as a member of the Belknap County Delegation and as Chairman for three terms, 1969 to 1974 and

Further, in addition to these responsible positions, he has served as a member and/or chairman of many important committees, commissions, etc. These services have been major contributions to the improve of the legislative processes, and have greatly enhanced the quality of the service rendered by the State of New Hampshire and its subordinate communities, and

Further, he has rendered outstanding service to the Town of Gilmanton as Town Moderator from 1976 to this date; as School District Moderator from 1978 to this date, as Trustee of the Trust Funds from 1969 to 1974 and President of the Gilmanton Historical Society for the season 1975-1976, and,

Further, George B. Roberts, Jr., has been a member of the National Conference of State legislatures since it was organized in 1975. His competence in legislative procedures and responsibilities have been recognized by that body which, in turn, has elected him Vice President 1977-1978; President-elect 1978-1979; and President 1979-1980, and

Further, his performance of all the foregoing responsibilities, together with his service as a member and/or chairman of many other commissions and/or committees serving his town, his county, his state and his nation, together with all of the aforesaid responsibilities, have been performed in such a manner as to reflect great credit to himself, his family and his community, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that in recognition of these outstanding services and devotion to the responsibilities thereof, I move that the Town Report for the calendar year 1980 be dedicated to George B. Roberts, Jr., and that a suitable portrait type photograph and biographical resume of the life and achievements of George B. Roberts, Jr., be included therein.

Proposed by: Col. W.A. Emond, U.S. Army, Retired.

The foregoing resolutions were unanimously adopted and a standing ovation was given to the recipients.

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The following Testimonials were adopted:

Mr. Moderator: I move the adoption of the following testimonial.

80 We, the Towns-people of Gilmanton, N.H., assembled in Town Meeting, this 15th day of March, 1980, desire to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciations to Mr. Rolland C. Hawkins for his outstanding services to the Town of Gilmanton as Health Officer for the past twenty-two years (1958-1980).

The exceptional qualities of these services were especially manifest by his timely and efficient guidance, supervision and inspection of the installation of sewerage disposal systems. The demonstrated qualities of loyalty and devotion to the responsibilities of his position were such as to reflect great credit to himself and were major contributions to the orderly development and economic well-being of the Town of Gilmanton.

I further move that a copy of this testimonial be spread upon the permanent records of this meeting.

The following resolution was adopted.

83 In the Town of Gilmanton which not only cherishes its political institution but also employs them for the public good and reshapes them so that they may serve the needs of all the people better, the Town Meeting stands out as a forum in which both the elected officials and the citizens of Gilmanton can gather together and express their concern, their needs, and their praise.

Thus, in the presence of the citizens of Gilmanton, I would now like to take this opportunity as Chairman of the Board of Selectmen to acknowledge and thank David McKinna publically for his service to the Town of Gilmanton as a member of the Board of Selectmen. As a Selectman he has both aided the Town of Gilmanton and benefited from the problems and challenges of his office. We must also bear in mind that David McKinna has served the Town of Gilmanton diligently as a member of the Planning Board, the Budget Committee, and the Parks and Recreation Commission.

It would be unwise and thoughtless to leave such a long record of public service unacknowledged; therefore, I ask that a notice be entered into the records of this meeting that the Town of Gilmanton, as well as his fellow officials, duly acknowledge and thank David McKinna for his service to the Town of Gilmanton.

RESOLUTION

184 **WHEREAS:** The Citizens of Gilmanton, N.H., assembled in Town Meeting this 17th day of March, 1984, did upon the occasion of the death of Col. Wilfred A. Emond, extend appropriate expressions of appreciations for his thirty one years of exceptional service to the Town and,

WHEREAS: These services of the years have demonstrated: A devoted sense of appreciation of the responsibilities of the Town. A sincere interest in the solution of the problems of the individual citizen, and: Exceptional endeavors toward solution of the overall community problems in such a manner as to best serve the interests of the citizens.

Further, his performance of all the foregoing responsibilities, together with his service as a member and/or chairman of many other commissions and/or committees serving his Town, his Country, his State and his Nation, together with all of the aforesaid responsibilities, have been performed in such a manner as to reflect great credit upon himself, his family and his community, now therefore be it,

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84 **RESOLVED:** That in recognition of these outstanding services and devotion to the responsibilities thereof, I move that the Town Report for the calendar year 1984 be dedicated to Col. Wilfred A. Emond, and that a suitable portrait type photograph and biographical resume of the life and achievements of Col. Wilfred A. Emond be included therein.

It was further moved and adopted that the content of this resolution be spread upon the permanent records of this meeting and that the Town Report be dedicated to Wilfred A. Emond for the calendar year 1984. Moved by Elizabeth R. Smithers, Town Clerk.

8 629. The following resolution to Robert F. Tibbetts was given:

WHEREAS: Mr. Robert F. Tibbetts has served the Town of Gilmanton as its Tax Collector for the past 20 years in a most loyal and devoted manner, and,

WHEREAS: Mr. Robert F. Tibbetts has this year decided after 20 years not to seek elective office, be it hereby:

RESOLVED: That we the Citizens of Gilmanton, N. H. assembled in Town Meeting this 15th day of March, 1986, do wish to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation to Mr. Robert F. Tibbetts for his many years of service to the Town of Gilmanton as its duly elected Tax Collector and that a notice of such recognition be entered into the records of this meeting.

Mr. Tibbetts was given a standing ovation by the voters of Gilmanton. The Selectmen presented Mr. Tibbetts with a plaque commemorating his service to the Town.

WE MOVE THE ADOPTION OF THE FOLLOWING TESTIMONIAL:

89 We, the towns-people of Gilmanton, NH, assembled in the Town Meeting this 18th day of March, 1989, desire to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciations to Mrs. Gloria R. Munsey for her outstanding services to the Town of Gilmanton as Ballot Inspector for the past twenty eight (28) years (1960-1988).

89 The exceptional qualities of these services were especially manifest by her timely and efficient guidance, supervision and inspection of balloting procedures over the years. The demonstrated qualities of loyalty and devotion to the responsibilities of her position were such as to reflect great credit to herself and were major contributions to the orderly process of voting and counting of votes.

We further move that a copy of this testimonial be spread upon the permanent records of this meeting.

Respectfully proposed,
Election Officials of The Town of Gilmanton.

This testimonial was passed and Mrs. Gloria R. Munsey received a standing ovation from the Town Meeting.

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The Moderator closed the meeting with a statement of thanks to those serving in the Gulf Conflict. David A. Aldrich, still in Kuwait, Steven Gardner, still overseas, Jonathan Marriott, just returned home and John A. Emond, also back home. The Moderator asked the body to adjourn in respect for what they have done for our Nation and for all men and women of the Armed Services serving the United States at this time.

Mr. William Philpot was recognized by the Moderator to make the following statement:

Mr. Moderator, on behalf of this assembly, the Town of Gilmanton, the State of New Hampshire, the United States of America and any larger roll of order, we would like to offer our thanks to Mr. Henry Page for his dedicated service to the Town of Gilmanton. Mr. Page was given a standing ovation in gratitude.

ARTICLE 32: The Moderator recognized Robert L. Potter, Sr. Mr. Potter asked Walter Skantze to come forward, Mr. Potter thanked Mr. Skantze for his dedicated service to the Budget Committee and the Town since his election to the office on March 9, 1971. Mr. Potter presented Mr. Skantze with a pen set in appreciation for his service. Mr. Skantze was given a standing ovation.

The Moderator recognized Steve Bedard who expressed thanks to David Russell for his service to the Town as Selectman. Mr. Russell was given a standing ovation by the assembly.

The Moderator recognized Henry Page, Mr. Page gave tribute to Marion McIntyre for her diligence in restoring the grave stones to the Copp Cemetery. The stones, being lost from the cemetery many years ago, were returned by Old Sturbridge Village where they had been recently located. Mrs. McIntyre was instrumental in accomplishing this task. She was also given a rousing vote of thanks by the body present.

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ARTICLE #25: To hear the reports of any Committees chosen and pass any votes relative thereto.

Nancy Potter informed the body of the generosity of Norman Breton for fixing the PA System in the auditorium. The people responded with a round of applause for Norman.

The Moderator recognized Elizabeth R. Smithers, who read the following testimonial:

We, the towns-people of Gilmanton, New Hampshire, assembled in Town Meeting this 18th day of March 1995, desire to take this opportunity to express our thanks and appreciation to Mr. Harry G. Forsyth for his outstanding services to the Town of Gilmanton as Road Agent for 36 years.

The exceptional qualities of these services were especially manifest by his timely and efficient guidance, supervision and inspection of the town roads. The demonstrated qualities of loyalty and devotion to the responsibilities of his position were such as to reflect great credit to himself and were major contributions to the orderly development and economic process of improving town roads.

Harry also served as volunteer Fire Chief as well as Budget Committee member for a number of years.

Resolved, that in recognition of these outstanding services and devotion to the responsibilities thereof, I move the Town Report for the calendar year 1995 be dedicated to Harry G. Forsyth, and that a suitable portrait type photograph and biographical resume of the life and achievements of Harry G. Forsyth be included therein.

This motion was seconded by David Russell and adopted by a standing ovation from the Town Meeting Body.

Walter Skantze read the following recognition award:

Representing the Board of Selectmen and the citizens of Gilmanton;

And in recognition of thirty years of service as Town Clerk;

It is appropriate that we should commend and recognize this service and dedication;

In addition we should also recognize the many years of service in other duties and capacities including but not limited to Tax Collector and Selectman.

Betty Smithers has a collection of plaques started including her previous plaque presented to her by the Town at her 25th anniversary as Town Clerk.

We present to you a plaque in recognition of thirty (30) years of service.

The inscription reads:

THE TOWN OF GILMANTON
IN RECOGNITION OF THIRTY YEARS
OF
FAITHFUL SERVICE
AS
TOWN CLERK
GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGES
ELIZABETH R SMITHERS
MARCH 16, 1996

The Town Meeting Body responded with a standing ovation.

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The Moderator recognized George Twigg.

George Twigg read the following recognition:

As Chairman of the Gilmanton Planning Board, it is my privilege this morning to take a few moments to recognize the significant contributions which Candace L Daigle has made to improve and maintain the quality of life for every resident of our Town, young and old.

She comes by her penchant for hard work and leadership quite naturally as the daughter of Fred and Melba LaRoche, who established a family tradition of public service.

The diversity of her efforts are noteworthy. Candy has served as Supervisor of the Checklist since 1988, Town Auditor, Emergency 911 committee, Cemetery Trustee, Chairman of the Fourth of July Committee and for the past ten years, Planning Administrator for the Gilmanton Planning Board.

As recently as 1994, she was recognized by the New Hampshire Office of State Planning as Planning Administrator of the Year.

Candy is a very modest, unassuming person who does not seek nor feel comfortable in the limelight of personal recognition and acclaim. Therefore, I will conclude my remarks at this point with a simple "Thank You, Candy".

The Town Meeting body responded with a standing ovation.

The Moderator recognized Ralph Forsyth who presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS: WALTER H SKANTZE has decided not to run for re-election for Selectman of the Town of Gilmanton, and as Chairman of the Board has demonstrated a high degree of sincerity and integrity. During his tenure as Selectman he has acted in such a way as to benefit the interest of the people of the Town of Gilmanton, regardless of the political consequences, and prior to and during his tenure as Selectman for the Town of Gilmanton he helped to initiate and establish new business practices and assisted in the computerization of the Town Administrative functions, and

WHEREAS: His professional expertise has been given generously to the State and his community without remuneration, and

WHEREAS: Mr. Skantze voluntarily served his country and was discharged as Lieutenant in the United States Army, and

WHEREAS: For the past twenty two years Mr. Skantze served as a member of the Town Budget Committee including approximately 20 years as Chairman of the committee, and has served his community 32 years as a member of the Gilmanton Iron Works Fire Department, 13 years as president, over 20 years as Deputy Fire Warden, and 10 years on the Board of Fire Commissioners, and

WHEREAS: He has given of his time and effort to such other groups as the United Church of Gilmanton Iron Works as deacon, three years as superintendent of the Sunday School and served ten years as Boy Scout Cub Master, and he is a member and the president of the Gilmanton Old Home Day Association.

WHEREAS: He has always responded positively to requests for support and assistance to the community projects, and by actions he has shown that he is an exemplary example of an active community volunteer.

NOW HEREBY BE IT RESOLVED by the voters of Gilmanton, here assembled this 16th day of March, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-six, that we thank him for his service to the Town and to his community. We wish him good luck in all of his future endeavors.

The Town Meeting body responded with a standing ovation.

ARTICLE # 24: To hear the reports of any Committees chosen and pass any votes relative thereto.

Chief James Clough commended his department for their heroic actions at the Alton Flood Disaster.

Tom O'Flaherty announced an error in the Town Report relative to the School District Meeting date. The correct date being March 23, 1996.

Robert L Potter, Jr., Road Agent, thanked all the volunteers and Towns People for their contributions of time and work at the new Highway Department Building.

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Selectman Carolyn Baldwin presented Evelyn O. Forsyth a plaque for her sixteen years of dedicated service to the Town as Town Treasurer. A standing ovation was given to Evelyn for her exemplary service.

1998

ARTICLE #26: To hear the reports of any Committees chosen and pass any votes relative thereto.

There were no reports offered, no further votes taken.

Tom O'Flaherty asked the assemblage to consider the many contributions Roger Porosky made to this Town, its citizens, and particularly its youth; and Mr. Porosky's desire that the Town expedite the State's plan to improve Route 140. Mr. O'Flaherty proposed that the Town consider naming a section of Route 140 for Roger Porosky.

2000

Stephen Bedard asked to recognize the past 10 years that David Russell has committed as Selectman as well as his time, dedication and volunteerism to the Town of Gilmanton. Mr. Russell received a standing ovation for his efforts from the assemblage. Our many thanks to you

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. The Moderator announced congratulations to Joshua Hughes for achieving Eagle Scout and asked Joshua to lead The Pledge of Allegiance.

2000

The Moderator asked for a moment of silence in memory of Town Clerk/Tax Collector, Betty Smithers.

The Moderator read the results of balloting from the Special Election for Representative and congratulations went to David Russell, our new Representative for District 5. Results of Town balloting were then read and the Moderator announced that a request for a recount of the Selectman's position had been received and would take place on Friday, March 24, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. Newly elected officials present, with the exception of Selectman, were asked to step forward to take the Oath of Office by Moderator, George Roberts, Jr.

Stan Bean recognized Robert Potter Sr. for his exceptional 40 years of service on the Budget Committee. Mr. Potter received a standing ovation.

ARTICLE #38: To hear the reports of any Committees chosen and pass any votes relative thereto.

Harold McArdle gave a brief summary of the Trustees' reports.

Moderator George B. Roberts, Jr. asks the body to recognize and stand to thank Eric Muzzey for giving his time and energy in his 3 year term as Selectman.

2002

Tom O'Flaherty asked that at the next town meeting, after the pledge of allegiance, we observe a moment of silence for those who have passed on in the intervening year.

Mr. Abbott asked the Moderator to speak in order to explain Article #8 and #9; but before he does that he would like to recognize the years of service of Moderator, George Roberts.

Selectman, Nate Abbott took a moment to recognize the 37 years of dedicated service as Town and School Moderator, George B. Roberts, Jr., has given to the Town of Gilmanton; also acknowledged was Phylis Buchanan for her six years of service as a Selectperson. George and Phylis were each presented with flowers from the Town Clerk/Tax Collector.

2004

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Tuesday, March 15, 2005, Moderator, Mark Sisti, called the meeting to order at 6:23 p.m. Daniel Webster was asked to lead the pledge of allegiance. Moderator Sisti recognizes those who have passed with a moment of silence. Mr. Sisti asks the body to recognize and pay tribute to those in our community serving in the armed forces defending our country home and overseas. He asks for those who have and are still serving to stand and be recognized so that we may all thank them. Resident Theodore A. Nelson stood and received an overwhelming round of applause in a show of sincere appreciation from the Gilmanton residents.

2005

ARTICLE #40: To hear the reports of any Committees chosen and pass any votes relative thereto.

Debra Cornett moved Article #40; seconded Heather Kelley

2006

✓ Brian Forst asks for the body to recognize Nate Abbott's six years of service on the Board of Selectmen. Mr. Abbott received a standing ovation from all. Thank you for your dedicated service, Nate.

✓ Brenda McBride recognized the Board of Selectmen and commended them for a job well done.

✓ Moderator Sisti took a moment to thank the Community for their concern and support he and his family received upon the loss of his Father, February 7, 2006.

ARTICLE #25: To hear the reports of any Committees chosen and pass any votes relative thereto.

Brian Forst moved Article #25; seconded by Paula Farley.

✓ Brian Forst took a moment to recognize and thank outgoing Selectman Ella Jo Regan for her time and service she dedicated to the Town of Gilmanton and its residents. The residents gave Ella Jo Regan a well-deserved standing ovation.

2007

Brian Forst was asked by Virginia Stanley who could not be here today and wanted to make sure that we acknowledge Candace Daigle for all of her hard work and dedication concerning the Easement on Mary Butler Lane.

2008

ARTICLE #21: To hear the reports of any Committees chosen and pass any votes relative thereto.

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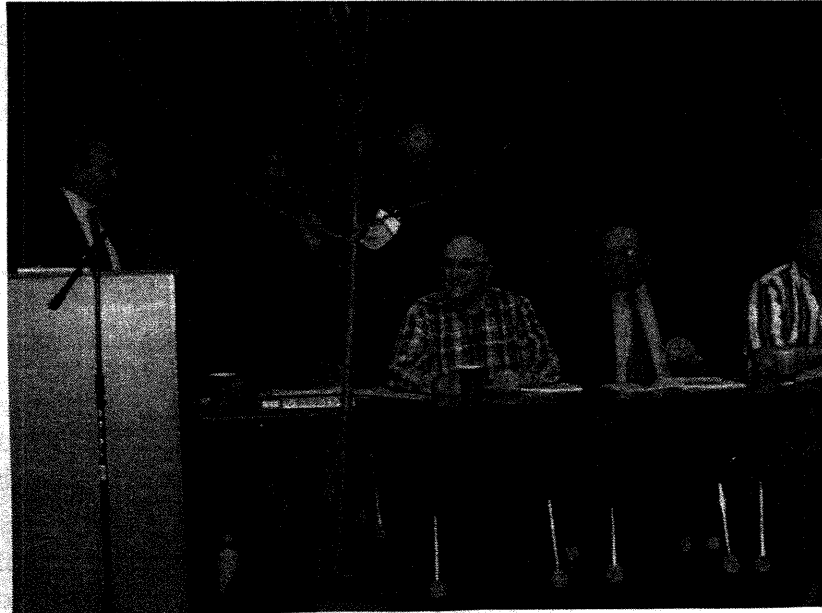
✓ Selectman Guarino asks the body to recognize Brian Forst's last year and the wonderful job he's done and to thank him for all his hard work and dedication in his time of service as Selectmen and presented him with a "...two headed nickel..." as a souvenir of his term. Mr. Forst received a standing ovation from the body. Brian thanks the body and states that it has been an honor to serve and wishes he had the time to commit more time. He stated that he is, "...stepping down and wishes the incoming board a lot of luck ... they will find a lot of days very challenging and if any of them need to borrow his nickel, he'll be happy to bring it up..."

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- ✓ The Moderator recognized Stan Bean, Budget Committee, Chairman and Rachel Frechette Hatch, Board of Selectmen, Chair to do a presentation of crabapple trees to **Robert L. Potter, Sr.** for his 50 years of service on the Gilmanton Budget Committee and to **Frank C. Bosiak, Sr.** for his 30 years of service.

2010



Before beginning Article #6, the Moderator takes a question from Thomas Robinson who asked what the rule for reconsideration will be. Mr. Sisti announces that there will be none stating, that "...when the vote is done, the vote is done. The article will be voted up or down and that will be it... There will be no reconsideration..."

- ✓ Brenda McBride asks the body for a well-deserved round of applause for our Moderator, Mark Sisti for a job well done in running the town meeting so well.

2010

- After the results of balloting were read, Mr. Sisti recognized, Selectwoman Hatch.
- ✓ Selectwoman Hatch recognized today as being Selectwoman Betty Ann Abbott's "Last Hoorah". She and Selectman Don Guarino wanted to recognize the years that Betty Ann has given to the Town of Gilmanton...most impressive with Betty Ann was her follow up on Board issues, her consistency...her involvement, commitment and follow-through in the construction of the Public Safety Building; and as Selectperson, her dedication and hard work. Selectwomen Hatch also recognized Betty Ann and her husband, Nate (who helped) with the gardening at the Gilmanton Public Safety Building in which they planted 500 daffodils. To show many thanks for Betty Ann's services, they were sending her off with a Cole's Gardening gift certificate. "Thank you, Betty Ann".

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RESOLUTIONS – INDIVIDUALS

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At this time the Moderator gave the floor to Tom Scribner and Diana McElwee who thanked publically, Phyllis Buchanan as a Library Trustee, who volunteered much of her time, as well as her husband of 65 years, who on many occasions dug into their own pockets to keep the Town Library going. Although they were not able to be here today, there was a request for a round of applause for Phyllis' dedication, for which the body responded with great enthusiasm!

There was another presentation that Rachel Hatch made to Stan Bean who retired this year from the Budget Committee. The Board of Selectmen wanted to acknowledge his 18 years of service on the budget committee, 15 years as Chairman. The Board presented Stan with a small token of their appreciation for all his years of dedicated service. Mr. Bean received a standing round of applause.

Mr. Sisti calls attention to Article #1 and begins to read the results of Tuesday's election results on the Town ballot.

Peter Baldwin addressed the body to give kudos to Stan Bean for standing in as our Moderator Pro Tem for a job well done. Mr. Bean received a huge round of applause.

The Moderator asked the body if there were any questions before we began with the first article.

Thomas Scribner stood to address the body and thanked Rachel Hatch for all her years of service as Selectmen, and to the other boards she has served on, as well as for the service of all the people who volunteer and serve the Gilmanton community. Mrs. Hatch received a round of applause from the body.

Selectmen Guarino...just wanted to thank everybody for coming today and wanted to also would like to thank Ralph Lavin for being a Selectman for the past three years...it takes a lot to serve, so, "thank you, Ralph, for serving." Mr. Lavin received a nice round of applause.

Moderator Sisti states, "...believe it or not, the meeting isn't over until the end of the day on March 10th..." Selectman, Donald Guarino gets the Moderator's attention to speak and states, "Before we adjourn, I just want to thank Selectman Currier for his service to the Town of Gilmanton, he's not running for re-election; it takes a lot of effort, it's a lot of hours that we put in and I just want to thank you for it." Selectman Currier received a round of applause for his service.

RESOLUTIONS-INDIVIDUALS

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START 2017

2017-Stan Bean

Brian Forst asks, "...everyone to take a minute to recognize a man that has contributed a lot to this Town. He has spent many years on the Budget Committee as Chairman and invested a lot of time on the CIP. A few years ago, he stepped down to retire and we dragged him back. He is a great wealth of knowledge and helped to get us to where we are. His presence will be missed on the Board as Stan has decided he can no longer hold his position on the Committee, he's stepping down this year and we wish him well. It would be greatly appreciated to recognize Stan for all of his efforts."

END 2017

START 2018

2018-Mark Sawyer

Moderator Sisti stated that this concludes the business of the First Deliberative Session and asks everyone to hold on and yields the floor to Brian Forst.

Brian Forst states, "I'd like everybody to take a minute, we have a member here on the Committee who has been with us for at least twenty-five years. He's decided it's time to move on and I'd like everybody to recognize Mark Sawyer for his service to the town."

Mark received a standing ovation – "Thank you for your years of service, Mark!"

The 2018 First Deliberative Session for the Town adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

END 2018
