

RESOLUTIONS-OTHER

45 Art. 18—Voted to support United States membership in a general system of international cooperation, such as that proposed at the Dumbarton Oaks Conference, having police power to maintain the peace of the world.

Vote: Yes, 55; No, 0.

50 Art. 19 - After an explanation by Morse E. Brown, Selectmen, of the Camp Leo situation a vote of confidence was extended to the Selectmen.

58 (c) History of Gilmanton which the Square and Compass Club had rebound was presented to the Library by Col. Emond. Mrs. Florence Durgin accepted for the Library.

74 A letter was read from Governor Thomson from which the following resolution was made:

Resolved that the town of Gilmanton wishes to be recorded as favoring a refinery in the State of N.H. which meets all environmental standards and which does not violate the principal of Home Rule.

This resolution was forwarded to the Governor.

**RESOLUTION OF THE MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF GILMANTON**

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WHEREAS THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY of NEW HAMPSHIRE proposes to construct and operate a 115 KV power transmission line between the site of its substation in Deerfield, New Hampshire and its substation in Laconia, New Hampshire;

And WHEREAS due consideration must be given by the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission and the Site Evaluation Committee established pursuant to RSA Ch. 162-F to the Views of the legislative body of each of the communities through which the route of such a power transmission line will pass;

And WHEREAS the public interest is best served by the participation of each local community in those aspects of the routing of such power transmission lines that present environmental, economic and technical issues of immediate local impact;

And WHEREAS the proposed alternate route of said 115 KV power transmission line through the Town of Gilmanton raises serious concern for the preservation of the esthetic quality of the natural environment adjoining the proposed alternate route, for the impact of the proposed alternate route on the historic character of the Town of Gilmanton, and for its potential threat to the public health and welfare

BE IT RESOLVED, therefore, by the Meeting of the Town of Gilmanton: That is the sense of the people gathered at this Town Meeting that Proposed Alternate Route "B" should not be selected for the routing of any power transmission lines associated with electrical generating facilities lying outside the borders of this community.

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- 8 1 44. VOTED NOT to petition the Representatives and Senators who represent the Town in the General Court to Support in the current session of the General Court, the concurrent resolution to amend the State Constitution to limit the annual increase in property taxes to five percent and to limit the annual increase in spending by the State, or any city, town or other governmental unit of the State to five percent. (By Petition)
- 8 4 41. Voted that the Selectmen of the Town of Gilmanton shall call upon the Governor and Executive Council, its state representatives and state senator to promptly convene a special session of the Legislature for the sole purpose of preventing the imposition of huge cost increases in electric rates resulting from the Seabrook Nuclear power plant on the Citizens, businesses, schools and agencies in the Town of Gilmanton and to direct the Selectmen to promptly notify our above-listed elected officials of the Town's desire. (By Petition)
- 8 26. Voted to instruct the Town's Representatives to the General Court to take all necessary measures to insure that no low level radioactive waste shall be stored or disposed of within this Town of Gilmanton. As Amended. (By Petition)

ARTICLE 36.

A motion by Robert Emond with second by Herbie Ainsworth to have the Town direct the New Hampshire State Legislature to enact legislation to provide an alternative source of funding for education, the revenues from said legislation to be used exclusively for education to provide substantial relief for local property taxpayers passed by a majority vote in the affirmative.

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ARTICLE 35.

A motion by Betsy Fosburgh with second by Ralph Forsyth to designate and proclaim April 22, 1990 as EARTH DAY 1990, and to set aside that day for public activities promoting preservation of the global environment and launching the "Decade of the Environment" failed by a division vote of 77 Yes to 86 No.

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ARTICLE 37

A motion by Robert Spotts with second by Tammy Baiocchetti to adopt the following Memorial Resolution:

WHEREAS: Although the right of free expression is part of the foundation of the United States Constitution, very carefully drawn limits on expression in specific instances have long been recognized as legitimate means of maintaining public safety and decency, as well as orderliness and productive value of public debate; and

WHEREAS: There are symbols of our nation such as the Washington Monument, the United States Capital Building, memorials to our greatest leaders, and our flag, which are the property of every American and are therefore worthy of protection from desecration and dishonor; and

WHEREAS: The law as interpreted by the United States Supreme court no longer accords to the flag the reverence, respect, and dignity to which it is entitled; and

WHEREAS: It is only fitting that people everywhere should join in a forceful call for the restoration of the flag to its proper station under law and decency;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the voters of the Town of Gilmanton, NH respectfully request the Congress of the United States to propose an amendment of the United States constitution, for ratification by the states, specifying that Congress and the States shall have the power to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States. This motion was defeated by a voice vote in the negative.

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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.

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ARTICLE 39

The following resolution was moved by David Russell with a second by Bruce Marriott:

WHEREAS: it is anticipated that Gilmanton and other Belknap County communities will assume a portion of debt service on behalf of the Gunstock Recreational Area, and

WHEREAS: current economic conditions have resulted in a curtailment of expenditures by towns and school districts for basic municipal services, and

WHEREAS: The Town's tax dollars should be directed towards supporting traditional municipal services,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the voters of the Town of Gilmanton hereby direct the Board of Selectmen to take the responsible actions necessary to effect changes in the organizational structure and operations of the Gunstock Recreational Area to reduce and/or eliminate its reliance upon property tax revenues. This resolution was adopted by a voice vote in the affirmative.

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A motion by Cheryl Stafford with second by James Stafford to reconsider Article 22 was defeated by a voice vote in the negative.

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✓ **ARTICLE #23:** It was moved by David Russell; seconded by Phylis Buchanan, to see if the Town will vote to send the following resolution to the New Hampshire General Court: "Resolved, New Hampshire's natural, cultural and historic resources in this town and throughout the state are worthy of protection and, therefore, the State of New Hampshire should establish and fund a permanent public/private partnership for the voluntary conservation of these important resources." (Majority vote required). ^ 2 0 0

ARTICLE #23 ADOPTED AS READ BY VOICE VOTE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE

✓ **ARTICLE #52:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following Health Care for New Hampshire Resolution: ^ 2 0 0 3

WHEREAS, New Hampshire residents pay the 12th highest cost of insurance in the country; and

WHEREAS, the cost of health insurance premiums for families has increased by 45% over the past three years; and

WHEREAS, 100,000 New Hampshire residents have no health coverage and 77% of them have a full-time worker at home; and

WHEREAS, due to these rising costs almost half of New Hampshire's small business cannot afford health coverage for their employees, therefore be it resolved

That we, the citizens of Gilmanton, New Hampshire, call on our elected officials from all levels of government, and those seeking office, to work with consumers, businesses and health care providers to ensure that:

Everyone, including the self-employed, unemployed, un- and underinsured, and small business owners has access to an affordable basic health plan similar to what federal employees receive;

Everyone, including employers, consumers, and the state, local and federal government makes a responsible and fair contribution to finance the health care system;

Everyone receives high quality care that is cost efficient and medically effective; and

That these efforts help control the skyrocketing cost of health care.

This resolution is non-bonding and represents no fiscal impact to the Town. (By Petition)

William Fillion moved Article #52 to be adopted as read, seconded by Stephen McCormack.

ARTICLE 52 ADOPTED AS MOVED BY VOICE VOTE.

✓ **ARTICLE #35:** To see if the Town will vote to adopt a policy recognizing groundwater and surface waters as a critical, finite integrated natural resource that is becoming increasingly scarce and subject to heavy contamination. Having clean, potable water is a basic human right, not the privilege of those who can afford it. Water is essential to the public health, and for all life. Our community's wildlife and plant life depend on sufficient amounts of pure water to sustain them. In this regard, the Town should seek assistance from local and federal sources, including the conservation commission, regional planning commission, the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, the U.S. Geological Survey, and private conservation groups to protect these resources.

Therefore, the Town directs the Selectmen as follows: ^ 2 0 0 6

- 1) Identify and map the Town's water resources, including, but not limited to ponds, lakes, rivers, streams, wetlands and aquifers. Identify and label groundwater resources pursuant to the provisions of RSA 485-C: 9, the New Hampshire groundwater protection statute.

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- 2) With Town agencies and officials of Gilmanton and surrounding towns that share the same or connected surface and groundwater resources, protect these resources through developing ordinances that emphasize sustainable use and best management practices by placing strict limits on commercial and other large scale water withdrawals not directly related to providing potable water for residential, commercial, agricultural and industrial uses within the Town of Gilmanton.
- 3) That the Selectmen and other Town officials coordinate these conservation efforts through joint hearings on large water withdrawal applications and any other Town permits and approvals that involve shared water resources in any of the surrounding Towns.

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Brian Forst moved Article #35; seconded by Ella Jo Regan.

ARTICLE #35 PASSES BY VOICE VOTE.

✓ **ARTICLE #24:** To see if the Town will go on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address the issue of climate change, which is increasingly harmful to the environment and economy of New Hampshire and to the future well being of the people of Gilmanton.

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These actions include:

- 1) Establishment of a national program requiring reductions of the U.S. greenhouse gas emissions while protecting the U.S. economy.
- 2) Creation of a major national research initiative to foster rapid development of sustainable energy technologies thereby stimulating new jobs and investment.

In addition, the Town of Gilmanton encourages New Hampshire citizens to work for emission reductions within their communities, and to ask our Selectmen to consider the appointment of a voluntary energy committee to recommend local steps to save energy and reduce emissions.

The record of the vote on this article shall be transmitted to the New Hampshire Congressional Delegation, to the President of the United States, and to declared candidates for those offices. (By Petition).

Richard DeSeve moved Article #24; seconded by Paula Hatem.

ARTICLE #24 PASSES BY VOICE VOTE.

RESOLUTIONS – OTHER

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Sisti brings to the body's attention the Community Food Pantry located at the church in Iron Works and expresses the dire need for food and monetary donations. She stated that if anyone knew of someone that was in need of assistance to contact herself or Iron Works Church. Jane stated that the Pantry is open the second and fourth day of each month. They are seeking the help of any volunteers in the community.

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✓ **ARTICLE #26: Submitted by Petition** To see if the Town will vote to approve the following resolution to be forwarded to our State Representative(s), our State Senator, the Speaker of the House, and the Senate President.

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Resolved: The citizens of New Hampshire should be allowed to vote on an amendment to the New Hampshire Constitution that defines "marriage".

RESOLUTIONS OTHER

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✓ARTICLE #42: To hear the reports of any Committees chosen and pass any votes relative thereto.

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...A resident asks if some money can be expended for new microphones so that everyone can hear what is being said...Carolyn Baldwin, Pancake Hill Road recognized what a long and tough winter it has been and she would like to give "kudos" to the road crew for the wonderful job our highway department has done...Justin Leavitt, Recycling Manager announces that in April, of this year, the Recycling Facility will be having a "Free-For-All" day...meaning items they normally charge for with the exception of "C", "D", and "Bulky Waste" will be free for one day...time and date to be determined within the next few weeks...

The Moderator thanked everyone, again for their cooperation when the emergency arose at today's meeting and gave praise and recognition to our very professional group of EMT's...

✓ARTICLE #26: To request that the Town of Gilmanton, NH, stand with communities across the country to defend democracy from the corrupting influence of big money in our political system, by calling upon our legislators to amend the United States Constitution to establish that:

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1. Only individual human beings are endowed with constitutional rights, and
2. Money is not speech, and therefore regulations political spending is not equivalent to limiting political speech.

And that the People of Gilmanton, NH hereby instruct our state and federal representatives to enact to resolutions and legislation to advance this effort, and reduce the influence of big money and increase transparency and voter participation in our electoral system.

And that the record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice to Gilmanton's Congressional Delegation, and to Gilmanton's State Legislators, and to the Governor of New Hampshire, and to the President of the United States, informing them of the instructions from their constituents, by the Town Administrator's office within 30 days of the vote. (By petition)

Dick De seve **moved** Article #26 as read; **seconded** by Hammond Brown.

Lew Henry asks that a Scribner's error in 2. "regulations" be corrected to "regulating" on the ballot.

Article #26 will appear on the ballot as corrected.

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