

REPORT OF THE
GORHAM TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
May 16, 2017

Roll Call: Chairman Phinney, Councilors Shepard, Benner, Hager, Stelk, Hartwell and Smith. Also present was Town Manager David Cole and Town Clerk Laurie Nordfors.

Chairman Phinney opened Public Hearing # 1. Denny Albert 15 Oakwood Drive and Paul Gore, 15 Alberta Way support the item and encouraged the Council to vote in favor. There were no other comments and the hearing was closed.

Item # 9220 Moved by Councilor Hartwell , seconded by Councilor Shepard and ORDERED,
Whereas, the Towns current Office Residential District does not allow retail sales, and
Whereas, the Town Council believes that allowing limited retail sales in buildings of a traditional New England Village design consistent with the scale and character and existing Gorham Village architecture in the Office Residential District is in the best interest of the Community,
Now Therefore Be It Ordered, that the Town Council amend Chapter 1, Section 14, Office Residential District (B) Permitted Uses of the Land Use and Development Code, by adding a new paragraph 5. **Retail Sales having a gross floor area of less than 4,000 sf** and amending paragraph (F) Performance Standards by adding a new paragraph 13. **All Principal building and structures for non-residential purposes shall be of a traditional New England Village design to be compatible with the predominant scale and character of the existing Gorham village architecture.** 7 years

Item # 9221 Moved by Councilor Shepard, seconded by Councilor Hartwell and ORDERED, that the Town Council accept a proposal from the Cumberland County Office of Regional Assessing to provide Assessing services for the 2017-2018 fiscal year for \$138,500 and,
Be It Further ordered, that the Town Council appropriate \$6925 from the Contingency Account to allow the County Regional Office to start work on June 12, 2017 to effect a reasonable transition, and
Be it Further Ordered, that the Town Council appoints Renee Lachapelle as the Assessor for the Town of Gorham from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. 7 years

The Town Council recessed into a Budget Workshop with the School Board.

Moved by Councilor Shepard, seconded by Councilor Hartwell and VOTED to adjourn. 7 years
Time of adjournment 7:45pm

A True Record of Meeting

ATTEST _____
Laurie Nordfors, Town Clerk

