Town of Griswold
Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
November 27, 2018
6:00 PM
Downstairs Meeting Room
28 Main St., Jewett City, CT 06351

MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll – Meeting was called to order at 6 PM by Todd Babbitt, First Selectman

Members Present: Todd Babbitt, First Selectman
Steve Merchant, Second Selectman
Ed Burke, Third Selectman

Others Present: Lisa M. Wood, Executive Assistant
8 other interested citizens
1 member of the press

2. Notification of Emergency Exits – Emergency exits were noted.

3. Pledge of Allegiance – Pledge was cited.

4. Approval of Minutes

   a. November 13, 2018 – Regular Meeting Minutes

      MOTION: Motion was made by S. Merchant, seconded by E. Burke, to approve the
      November 13, 2018 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Correspondence - None

6. New Business

   a. Discussion and possible action on two tax refund for a total of $73.43 as
      presented by Leona Sharkey, Tax Collector

      MOTION: Motion was made by E. Burke, seconded by S. Merchant, to approve the
      two tax refunds for a total of $73.43. Motion carried unanimously.

   b. Discussion and possible action on approving authorizing resolution allowing the
      First Selectman to execute any documents necessary for participation in the FY
      2018 State Homeland Security Grant Program – It was noted that this is standard
      paperwork required for participation in the Grant program each year. Minor wording
in the resolution was discussed, however, it is the language that is provided to the town’s by the state.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by E. Burke, seconded by T. Babbitt, to approve the resolution allowing the First Selectman to execute any documents necessary for participation in the FY 2018 State Homeland Security Grant Program. **Motion carried unanimously.**

c. **Discussion and possible action on appointment of additional part-time Deputy Fire Marshal** – Reference was made to a letter from Fred Marzec, Fire Marshal, for recommendation of Kyle Faulise.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by S. Merchant, seconded by E. Burke, to appoint an additional part-time Fire Marshal. **Motion carried unanimously.**

7. **Old Business**

a. **Presentation of proclamation recognizing Griswold as “Sunflower Capital of New England”** – Citation was presented by State Representative Skulczyck.

b. **Presentation of citation recognizing Mary Rose Deveau** – Citation was presented by State Representative Skulczyck.

c. **Discussion and possible action Use of Facilities policy** – T. Babbitt noted a few concerns including limited use of Sheldon Road concession stand and requiring a higher deposit instead of a rental fee. He would also like to include the ability of the First Selectman to also reduce fees and not only waive fees. He also noted the Senior Center has reservation about letting any group other than town groups to use their facility. He also noted he feels the money should go into an account for overrun costs of maintenance of buildings. Prohibiting the use of vaping products was also added to the policy.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by E. Burke, seconded by S. Merchant, to support the suggested changes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

8. **Any Other Business that may properly come before the Board**

**MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by S. Merchant, to bring the item of reappointments to the GWPCA onto the agenda for discussion and possible action. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by S. Merchant, to reappoint Mario Tristany Jr. and Mike Lalima to the Griswold Water Pollution Control Authority for a six year term. **Motion carried unanimously.**
9. Public Forum

Dave Vieaux – Leha Ave. – D. Vieaux asked about the town’s standing on preparation for the winger season. T. Babbitt noted the town is in good shape and actually just purchased salt. D. Vieaux also asked about looking into altering the speed limit in the Dollar General area. T. Babbitt noted the town can send a letter to the CT DOT and ask them to take a look at it.

10. Adjournment

**MOTION:** Motion was made by E. Burke, seconded by T. Babbitt, to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 PM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,

[Signature]

Lisa M. Wood,
Executive Assistant