Town of Griswold
28 Main Street
Griswold, CT 06351

Board of Selectman
Special Meeting
Selectmen’s Meeting Room
Tuesday, April 2, 2019
4:00 PM

MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll Call – Meeting was called to order at 4 PM by Todd Babbitt, First Selectman

   Members Present: Todd Babbitt, First Selectman
   Ed Burke, Third Selectman

   Members Absent: Steve Merchant, Second Selectman (with notification)

   Others Present: Ken Wiley, Board of Rec Member
   7 other interested citizens

2. Discussion and possible action on 2019/2020 departmental budgets – J. Marcotte gave a brief overview of the changes and corrections to the proposed budget for Recreation/Youth Services. She noted the overall budget has a 6% increase without the inclusion of any added employment positions. Total costs for a full-time position to be added would be $64,477. Increasing the existing part-time assistant to full time and eliminating the newly proposed full time programmer would be a savings of $17,140 and an increase of 22%. The third option to add another part-time instead of a full-time would be a savings of $48,838 and an increase of 11%. K. Wiley responded to E. Burke that the additional person would help to maintain the existing services, but mainly help to increase services and programs as they have each year. T. Babbitt noted he discussed the idea of a new part-time position with Ryan today and the thought process that it would take time to get programs initiated and up and running in order to require more than a part-time additional employee. The programs running currently are being adequately supported by the existing staff. K. Wiley noted that because of the new design of how the budget is set up, it appears some items may have higher increases which may be due to the change in the way it is shown. T. Babbitt noted the budget presented had to be comprised from a bunch of excel sheets and may be slightly off, but going forward expenses and revenues should be shown more accurately. T. Babbitt noted at this time he can support an additional part-time position, but not a full-time.
MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by E. Burke, to accept the Youth & Recreation budget with the change of reducing the proposed full-time position down to a part-time position for a total cost of $15,639. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Adjournment

MOTION: Motion was made by E. Burke, seconded by T. Babbitt, to adjourn the meeting at 4:19 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Todd Babbitt,
First Selectman