Town of Griswold
Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
April 9, 2019
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 Sr., Second Selectman
   Ed Burke, Third Selectman

   **Others Present:** Lisa M. Wood, Executive Assistant
   9 other interested citizens

2. **Notification of Emergency Exits** - Emergency exits were noted.

3. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Pledge was cited.

4. **Approval of Minutes**
   a. **March 26, 2019 – Special Meeting Minutes**
   b. **March 26, 2019 – Regular Meeting Minutes**

      **MOTION:** Motion was made by S. Merchant, seconded by E. Burke, to approve the March 26, 2019 Special Meeting Minutes and the March 26, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

   c. **April 2, 2019 – Special Meeting Minutes**

      **MOTION:** Motion was made by E. Burke, seconded by T. Babbitt, to approve the April 2, 2019 special meeting minutes. **Motion carried.** T. Babbitt and E. Burke approved, S. Merchant abstained.

5. **Correspondence** - None

6. **New Business**
   a. **Discussion and possible action on three tax refunds for a total of $213.60 as presented by Leona Sharkey, Tax Collector**

      **MOTION:** Motion was made by E. Burke, seconded by S. Merchant, to approve the three tax refunds for a total of $213.60 as submitted. **Motion carried unanimously.**
b. Discussion and possible action on appointment of members to the Glasgo Water Pollution Control Authority – T. Babbitt gave a summary of how to proceed with reestablishment of the Glasgo Water Pollution Control Authority (GWPCA) as recommended by the town attorney. He also noted that there was one member already appointed at the last BOS meeting. T. Babbitt noted four more letters were received requesting appointment. He suggested appointing two as regulars and two as alternates for a total of five members and to set five year terms. All four interested residents were in the audience and two volunteered to be alternates.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by E. Burke, to sit three full members and two alternate members of the GWPCA. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by E. Burke, to appoint Mark Manuzzi and Elinor Rix-Greczkowski as alternate members and Monique Greczkowski Manuzzi and Chester M. Greczkowski Jr. as regular members of the GWPCA for five year terms of 4/9/2019 to 4/8/2024. **Motion carried unanimously.**

c. Discussion and possible action on appointment of Sarah Seifert as an alternate member of the Recreation Commission for a one year term of 4/9/19 to 4/8/20 – It was noted that Sarah Seifert was present.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by S. Merchant, to appoint Sarah Seifert as an alternate member of the Recreation Commission for a one year term of 4/9/19 to 4/8/20. **Motion carried unanimously.**

7. Old Business

a. Discussion and possible action on the offer of St. Anne’s Church in Glasgo – There was no new information available.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by E. Burke, to table this item. **Motion carried unanimously.**

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

a. **MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by E. Burke, to bring the item of setting a first meeting date for 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 set the first meeting of the GWPCA for Wednesday, April 24th at 6 PM in the selectmen’s meeting room. **Motion carried unanimously.**

b. **MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by S. Merchant, to bring the item of donation for a CCC worker statute, onto the agenda for discussion and possible action. **Motion carried unanimously.**
T. Babbitt noted this is a project that Sharon Viadella has taken on and is fundraising for the statute. The historical statute would be placed at the Pachaug Forest and would have a plaque noting those who donated. T. Babbitt noted the Finance Director confirmed there is $100 available in an account that is not going to be used.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by S. Merchant, seconded by T. Babbitt, to make the donation of $100. **Motion carried unanimously.**

9. **Public Forum**

**Sharon Viadella** (Lester Rd.) – S. Viadella noted that the CCC statute is being constructed as the purchase agreement has recently been signed. They hope to have the statute by fall and have a dedication ceremony at that time.

**Chester Greczkowski Jr.** (Glasgo Rd.) – C. Greczkowski Jr. asked if it they could work as a committee to help the town find a purpose for St. Anne’s church. T. Babbitt noted that it would not be a town committee but if the residents wanted to work together on their own and present any ideas to the BOS that would be fine.

**Dave Vieaux** (Leha Ave.) – D. Vieaux asked for an update on the progress of the planning department looking into the status of use of storage containers, home business registrations in town, and in-law apartments. T. Babbitt noted there was a text amendment change in regards to in-law apartments. He also noted the planning department is working on a sending a letter to home businesses regarding the town’s policy. He also asked P&Z to form a sub-committee regarding storage containers and will follow-up.

**Ed Berdick** (Voluntown Rd.) – E. Berdick noted that the CT Tree Protective Association is celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Arborist law in CT. They would like to plant a white oak in each of the 169 towns this fall. He noted he will be willing to coordinate this if the Town is interested. The BOS was in favor and gave E. Berdick the go ahead to make sure Griswold is included and participates and also noted he would check with the Borough to see if they are interested.

10. **Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by E. Burke, to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 PM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

Lisa M. Wood,
Executive Assistant