Town of Griswold
28 Main Street
Griswold, CT 06351

Board of Selectman
Special Meeting
Selectmen’s Meeting Room
Friday, July 26, 2019
9:30 AM

MINUTES

1. Call to Order/Roll Call – Meeting was called to order at 9:37 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

2. Discussion and possible action on accepting land from Avalonia Land Conservancy – T. Babbitt commented that Avalonia recently required this land and then asked that back taxes owed to the town be waived. The town refused to waive them as the taxes were owed prior to the acquisition by Avalonia but agreed to waive any future taxes. In light of the taxes due, Avalonia would like to give the land to the town. The land has 7 waterfront lots, is deed restricted as open space, but also states a life use of entry for the previous owner. Avalonia is fine with taking the life use out should the town acquire the property. T. Babbitt will reach out to the town attorney to pursue.

3. Discussion and possible action on awarding the contract for the school gas project – T. Babbitt noted the gas committee went with the low bidder for the gas project however the amount was still over. The low bidder, New England Service Controls (NESC) was able to reduce the amounts through value engineering. The total for the project is now $1,385,274 which is under the 1.5 million. The remaining amount will be a contingency fund. When the project is finished they can then look at contingency to see if perhaps the gas to the kitchen and/or science labs can be completed.

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by S. Merchant, to authorize the First Selectman to sign the 3 contracts for the school gas project for GES 206,662, GMS 331,862 and GHS 846,750 for a total of $1,385,274. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **Executive Session – Discussion on potential litigation**

   **MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by S. Merchant, to enter into executive session to discuss potential litigation at 9:47 AM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

   **MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by S. Merchant, to come out of executive session at 9:57 AM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

5. **Discussion and possible action on potential litigation - None**

6. **Adjournment**

   **MOTION:** Motion was made by E. Burke, seconded by T. Babbitt, to adjourn the meeting at 9:58 AM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M. Wood,
Executive Assistant