

**BOARD OF WARDEN AND BURGESSES
NOVEMBER 5, 2018
REGULAR MEETING**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Warden and Burgesses held in the Selectman's Conference Room, 28 Main Street, Griswold CT on November 5, 2018 was called to order at 6:15pm by Warden Alan Geer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Valerie Pudvah read the roll. Present: Warden Alan Geer, Burgesses Timothy Sharkey, Laurie Sorder, James Krueger and Laura Laidley. Bailiff- Vacant. A quorum was determined.

ALSO PRESENT:

Martin McKinney, Leona Sharkey, Linda Cote, Jim Barnie, Richard Throwe, Carol Throwe, Dave Vieaux, Ken Comfort, Louis Demicco III, Ken Sullivan, Larry Laidley, Resident Trooper Russell Cote, and John Barry : The Bulletin reporter.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OCTOBER 1, 2018.

Burgess Sorder made motion to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of October 1, 2018 as presented, 2nd by Burgess Sharkey. All in favor, aye. Motion carries. Burgess Krueger abstained.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Martin McKinney - spoke on bike night and the sunflower stroll. Would like the board to reconsider their decision on not supporting bike night. Would like to the board to come back in 3 months with rules for these functions.

Larry Laidley- noted that if the bike night was at the school, where there is no drinking allowed there on campus there wouldn't be a problem.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Calls for Service Report- September 2018

Resident Trooper Cote will check to see why drug arrests (narcotics) are not on the report.

2. Letter from Snowflake Committee of Jewett City

The Snowflake Parade will be held November 18, 2018 at 2pm. There will be Fire Police at this parade. Burgess Sorder made motion to give consent for the event and to approve overtime for the Resident Trooper Cote, 2nd By Burgess Laidley. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

FIRE- Burgess Sharkey turned it over to Louis Demicco III. The bathroom is going well but need a permit that needs to be approved by the selectmen since it is a borough building in the town. Also, the Capital Committee wanted to recheck the parking lot pad and how heavy the proposed pavement should be.

POLICE- Burgess Krueger stated everything is going well.

BLIGHT- Burgess Sorder noted that the parking lot at the Youth Center is being used for long term parking and there are unregistered vehicles on the property.

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Also Mechanic Street still wide open and Phillips Street are still unchanged. Also 45 Talcott Avenue .
NUISANCE –NONE

TROOPERS REPORT:

Resident Trooper Cote noted that he is doing the TOY DRIVE on Saturday December 15, 2018 at **TARGET** in Lisbon. The hours are 9am – 3pm.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES:

Ken Sullivan, Director noted that the snowflake decorations will be going up soon. Ryan Aubin asked for stronger lights to be installed on the campus. His crew put in 80hours of tree trimming. Also, the Waste Water Treatment Plant is applying for renewal their permit for discharge treated wastewater into the Quinebaug River. Burgess Sharkey asked how much it was for recertification, it is around \$650.00. Grant money will be used for South Main Street pump station first, hopefully will be able to do on their own.

YOUTH&FAMILY/recreation services report:

It was noted that this will be a new item on the agenda every month.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion & possible action on appointing an individual to the open seat for the JCDPU.

Burgess Sharkey made motion to appoint Richard Throwe as Commissioner for the JCDPU, 2nd by Burgess Krueger. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

2. Discussion and possible action on changing the lock at the resident trooper office.

Resident Trooper noted that there are a lot of keys out there! Burgess Sharkey made motion to have a combination lock put on the resident trooper office, 2nd by Burgess Sorder. All in favor, aye motion carries. Leona will call the property owner regarding this change.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Discussion and possible action on draft changes for the Borough Charter to remove the positions of Bailiff and Tax Collector.

Burgess Sorder read into the minutes the changes. Burgess Sharkey made motion to approve the final draft, 2nd by Burgess Krueger. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

2. Update regarding loan application.

Burgess Sorder updated the board about the application for a business loan. Burgess Sorder would make sure that it goes back to the attorney for his review with credit scores and make sure he is on board with that. Any charge the borough would incur would go back to the applicant . Burgess Sorder made motion to approve the application and to use for future applicants looking for loans, 2nd by Burgess Laidley. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

3. Update on business loan holder.

Table until next month.

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Warden Geer would like to give Al Basilicato an additional \$120.00 a year for the job well done. This item was tabled until next month when we can check with the treasurer.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Dave Vieaux- suggested that sending a message to the Board of Selectmen about approving the alcohol free celebration for the Snowflake Festival and that the fire dept and Resident Trooper will be there.

Martin McKinney - noted that the loan application should have a minimum credit rating on it.

Burgess Sorder will get in touch with the attorney regarding the application and see what he would put as an minimum credit rating.

Martin McKinney- also noted that he can help with blight issues. Discussion was held on what is sent to the borough from staff in Mario's office. The borough has never rec'd any updates or information from any board regarding blight or any other changes to the regulations.

Larry Laidley- noted that the board should have an open communication with other committees.

Meeting duly adjourned at 7:21pm.

Respectfully submitted by

Valerie Pudvah Clerk