

**BOARD OF WARDEN AND BURGESSES  
REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 3, 2017**

The Regular Meeting of Warden and Burgesses held in the Griswold Town Hall Main Meeting Room, 28 Main Street, Griswold, CT on Monday April 3, 2017 was called to order by Warden John Connelly at 6:15pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;**

**ROLL CALL:**

Clerk Valerie Pudvah read the roll call. Present: Warden John Connelly, Burgesses Timothy Sharkey, Laurie Sorder, Jim Krueger and Bailiff Dominic Scavoni. Absent: Burgess Laura Laidley. A quorum was determined.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Linda Cote Treasurer, Leona Sharkey Tax Collector, Ken Sullivan JCDPU, Jim Barnie, Lou Demicco III JCDPU & JCFD, Ken Sullivan JCDPU, and Richard Throwe JCDPU.

**APPROVE MINUTE FOR REGULAR MEETING MARCH 6, 2017.**

Burgess Sharkey made motion to approve the minutes for March 6, 2017, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burgess Sorder. All in favor, aye . Motion carries.

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

**NONE**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**1. Troopers Call for Service Report for January 2017.**

Discussion on why there wasn't any drug arrests on the report like there used to be. Burgess Sorder suggested requesting that information .

**2. Letters sent regarding Small Business Loans.**

There are 2 outstanding loans that the Borough have not received payment for in at least 2/3 months.

According to Town Treasurer Linda Cote one has been paid. The second one is still outstanding. Burgess Sharkey wondered if we should have the attorney send another letter. Burgess Sharkey made motion to have the Borough attorney send a letter stating this is his last warning per the contract that he signed if a payment is not paid within 5 business days a lien will be put on the property, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burgess Krueger. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

**COMMISSIONER REPORTS:**

Burgess Sorder commended Louis Demicco III for how well he has kept everyone up to date with everything going on with the fire dept. Burgess Sorder noted that the trees were taken down along the fence line and Louis noted that now you can really see into Lot #3 at the ball field.

Burgesses Sorder and Sharkey toured the firehouse and they noted how well it looks in there especially the floor and the basement. They did look at the door that was in question and Tim stated the door is in beautiful shape it is just the header that needs replacing. Louis is not sure which budget that it would come out of (town or borough). He had a quote from ACB Home Improvement for \$666.22. He stated that the work probably wouldn't be done until the warmer weather (May?) because it has to set. He also noted that he had gotten 2 quotes for the generator and is getting a third quote. Burgess Sorder asked L.Cote if there was any money left in the Capital line item for replacing the header.

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Burgess Krueger noted that we should have the contractors information regarding insurance/liability/ workers compensation before work starts in case anything should happen.

Burgess Sorder made motion to approve the expenditure of \$666.22 to get the header /door fixed at the firehouse in contingent that the contractor's insurance/works comp. is presented to us, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burgess Sharkey. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

**RESIDENT TROOPER REPORT:**

**NONE**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITES:**

Ken Sullivan was present to discuss the new substation and that there are a few items that still need to be done that will probably take at least 6 month to finish.

Terry Pellieter has been hired at a Grade 4 operator, and it is working out well. Burgess Sharkey asked about the application for the grant can be used for the waterway. Ken will inquire again about this. Burgess Krueger also asked about the micro grid was coming along? Ken noted that he had no response from the town, Burgess Sharkey noted that we are scheduled for a meeting on April 18 at 5:00pm. Jim asked about the timing on the grant and Ken had no idea about that either.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussion was held on the flags that Alan Geer wanted to order and have delivered to the town hall. It was discussed about having the town pays half of the bill for flags. Warden Connelly suggested considering putting money in the new budget for flags. Jim Barnie will donate \$100.00 for the flags if A. Geer is unable to raise the money for them. Burgess Sorder made motion to fund the \$1080.00 to purchase the flags thru the borough on contingent on the fact there are fundraising efforts for reimbursement, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burgess Sharkey. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Set date for budget meeting for FY 17/18.**

Meeting date was set for April 27, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

**2. Memorandum discussion from Attorney Forsyth regarding Creation and Duties of Commissioners.**

Louis Demicco III noted that passing of Michael Pronicki. He served on the JCFD for several years, also was a commissioner of the JCDPU. Went to every meeting and did his due diligence to the borough.

Louis Demicco III then spoke about financial statements that come out every year. He noted that their meeting minutes spell out everything they do as a board. He suggested that someone from the borough board or the whole board show up at their meetings which are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month at 4:30pm. Also, suggested scheduling meetings twice a year so everyone know what is going on. Burgess Sorder agreed that communication is the key.

Burgess Sorder concern is about CEEMEC investments is there anywhere in the reports, about where the investments are and where the debt is? Also asked if they get a copy of CEEMEC audits and yes they do it is a public document.

Burgess Sharkey questioned if the CEEMEC trips are discussed at JCDPU meetings and how it is decided who goes on the trip. An invitation is sent to everyone. It also depends on what will be talked about at the conference on who gets an invite. Ken noted that the trips are now located in NY, NJ and the New England states.

**ANYOTHER BUSINESS:**

**NONE**

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

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Louis Demicco III brought up the Memorial Day parade and the fire police. He noted that the route has been changed, no longer going to Lisbon. It will go up Slater Avenue. He will talk to Lisbon to see if they have anyone that can help out that day with traffic control. He has already talked to Griswold. Burgess Krueger asked about the insurance and if things are covered in case of an incident.

He also brought up for discussion the truck that was the last one bought by the borough. It had been shipped to a fire school, now it has been given back to the dept. Would like to sell it to help out with the floor expenses. All profits would go back into the flooring. Burgess Sorder suggested doing a title search so that would end all the questions on ownership. Jim Barnie suggested that they let the Board of Finance and Capitol Improvement Board aware of what they are doing.

Hearing no other questions, motion to adjourn.

Motion to adjourn made by Burgess Sorder, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burgess Sharkey. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

Meeting duly adjourned at 7:35pm.

**Submitted by,**

**Valerie Pudvah, Clerk**

