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Town of Griswold
Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
March 26, 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
19 interested citizens

2. **Notification of Emergency Exits** – Emergency exits were noted.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Pledge was cited.
4. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. **March 12, 2019 – Regular Meeting Minutes**

MOTION: Motion was made by S. Merchant, seconded by E. Burke, to approve the March 12, 2019 regular meeting minutes as submitted. **Motion carried unanimously.**

5. **Correspondence** - None

6. **New Business**

- a. **Discussion and possible action on nine refunds for a total of \$1710.58 as presented by Leona Sharkey, Tax Collector**

MOTION: Motion was made by S. Merchant, seconded by E. Burke, to approve the nine tax refunds for a total of \$1710.58. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- b. **Discussion and possible action on waiving local permit fees for the gas line project at the school campus** – T. Babbitt noted the committee is in the progress of preparing an RFP and would like to list in the RFP that the town fees for the project would be waived.

MOTION: Motion was made by S. Merchant, seconded by T. Babbitt, to waive the town fees for the project. **Motion carried.** T. Babbitt and S. Merchant in favor. E. Burke opposed.

7. Old Business

- a. **Discussion and possible action on the offer of St. Anne's Church in Glasgo – T.** Babbitt noted the location was offered to the Historical Society and a letter was recently received noting they choose to decline the offer due to lack of funds for improvement, location and low membership.

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

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

- a. **MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by S. Merchant, to bring the item of letter of appointment to the Glasgo Sewer Authority, onto the agenda for discussion and possible action. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by E. Burke, to accept Paul Brycki's letter of request for appointment to the Glasgo Sewer Authority. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- b. **MOTION:** Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by S. Merchant, to bring the item of allowing the First Selectman to sign the Fair Housing Resolution, onto the agenda for discussion and possible action. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by S. Merchant, to authorize the First Selectman to sign the Fair Housing Resolution. **Motion carried unanimously.**

9. Public Forum

Chester Greczkowski – Glasgo Rd. – C. Greczkowski wanted to know why no former members of the Glasgo Sewer Authority were approached to again serve on the committee. He also wanted to know who is the owner of the Glasgo playground and expressed his desire to continue to maintain the playground. T. Babbitt gave a summary of the attorney's comments regarding Glasgo Sewer Authority. He noted they are still looking for members and discussed the process of what the first meeting of the new committee would be. T. Babbitt also noted that Glasgo Church and Playground are owned by the Catholic Diocese. The Town is weighing the option of taking over both the church and playground property, however, the Town also has to be careful of it becoming a liability.

Barbara Gauthier – Hopeville Rd. – B. Gauthier suggested the use of a playhouse/theater.

Ed Berdick – Voluntown Rd. – E. Berdick asked if the BOS would consider a resolution banning tolls similar to what the Town of Montville has done. T. Babbitt noted he can reach out to other towns to see what they have done. E. Berdick also inquired as to having the groups participating in the clean-up day come together for a joint celebratory picnic type of event.

Mike Lane – Stonehill Rd. – M. Lane noted that the Friends of Pachaug Forest have secured the pavilion at Hopeville State park for the clean-up day event and they have arranged to have musicians there after the cleaning and are planning on having food. T. Babbitt noted signs and flyers would be available soon, the logo for the participation sticker should also be available and they would touch base soon.

Sharon Viadella – Lester Rd. – S. Viadella wanted to know if bags could be picked up in advance for clean-up day and formally wanted to give the Town of Griswold, as she did Voluntown, the opportunity to donate to the CCC statute and be mentioned on the donation list. She also noted two trees on Stonehill and wanted to know if there were plans to take them down any time soon and if there were plans for any advertising for the EDC infrastructure meeting being held on April 2nd. T. Babbitt noted bags are available, the donation will be considered, the trees are going to be taken down in order of priority, and advertisement can be put on the website for the EDC infrastructure meeting.

10. Adjournment

MOTION: Motion was made by E. Burke, seconded by T. Babbitt, to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 PM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,



**Lisa M. Wood,
Executive Assistant**