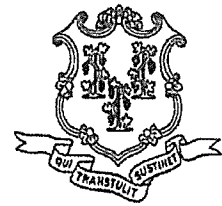




Town of Griswold
Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting
April 11, 2017
6:00 PM
Griswold Town Hall
Downstairs Meeting Room
28 Main St, Jewett City, CT 06351

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MINUTES

1. **Call to Order/Roll** – Meeting was called to order at 6 PM by Kevin Skulczyck, First Selectman

Members Present: Kevin Skulczyck, First Selectman
Steve Merchant Sr., Second Selectman

Members Absent: Martin McKinney Jr., with notification

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

2. **Notification of Emergency Exits** – K. Skulczyck noted exit procedure and locations
3. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Pledge was cited
4. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. **March 28, 2017 – Regular Meeting Minutes**

MOTION: Motion was made by S. Merchant, seconded by K. Skulczyck, to accept the March 28, 2017 regular meeting minutes as submitted. **Motion carried unanimously.**

5. **Correspondence** – It was noted for the record that a letter was received by Alex Grzelak apologizing for his absence from the IWWCC meetings and explaining that due to his college schedule it was not an opportune time to serve and may be interested in serving at another time.
6. **New Business**
 - a. **Discussion and possible action on tax refunds as presented by Leona Sharkey, Tax Collector – None**

7. Old Business - None

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

MOTION: Motion was made by S. Merchant, seconded by K. Skulczyck, to bring onto the agenda for discussion and possible action, the request by Mr. Serdechny for reappointment to the IWWCC. **Motion carried unanimously.**

K. Skulczyck noted Mr. Serdechny was not present tonight due to prior commitments but has been an active member of the IWWCC for several years.

MOTION: Motion was made by S. Merchant, seconded by K. Skulczyck, to reappoint Gary Serdechny as a member of the IWWCC commission for a term of 1/1/2017 to 12/31/2020. **Motion carried unanimously.**

9. Public Forum

Sharon Viadella (Lester Rd.) – S. Viadella asked what the latest was on the gun range. K. Skulczyck gave brief details but has not, in the past 40 days, received a response from Commissioner Currey to his letter. She also asked about the clearing of trees up at the state forest and it was noted the clearing is being done solely due to the gypsy moth problem. S. Viadella spoke again asking if the state has looked at any of the prisons they may be closing as a possible gun range site and also if there is any local control over the project if the state does get the gun range in our town. K. Skulczyck commented there is a bill trying to move forward now that would force the state to seek Town approval of project plans.

James Barnie (Hopeville Rd.) – J. Barnie asked if anyone has looked into what it would cost to bring in fill at the current gun range site which has been flooding. K. Skulczyck noted that is something he hopes to look at with an engineer on his upcoming tour of that site.

Dave Vieaux (Leha Ave.) – D. Vieaux noted the flooding hasn't occurred at the current gun range in years and they are arguing they can't use it because they can't add a second floor to the facility due to the low power lines. He noted they should share the military shooting facility. D. Vieaux spoke another time about the fracking issue and suggested KISS (Keep It Simple Stupid) and referred to keeping any ordinances to any hazardous waste.

Thomas Gaudreau – Bitgood Rd. – T. Gaudreau noted there is someone interested in possibly building a solar farm on the Lee Rd. property. K. Skulczyck encouraged him to provide the office with the contact information. T. Gaudreau also spoke two other times concerning the fracking waste issue and the

Victor Jenschke (Hopeville Rd.) – V. Jenschke asked about the status of allowing fracking waste or dumping in the state. K. Skulczyck commented there is a bill before the legislature that would prevent transporting the waste over state or municipal roads.

Steve Douglas (Bitgood Rd.) – S. Douglas agrees with T. Gaudreau about the fracking issues and it is a very serious issue. He also thanked the BOS and employees and wants to work together. S. Douglas spoke another time in reference to the BOE budget and the MER and also suggested longevity payments for employees may have to go.

Ransom Young – (Rixtown Rd.) – R. Young noted the Emergency Preparedness Guide in the front of the phone book and the evacuation route endorsed by the state is their acknowledgment of existence of radiation.

10. Adjournment

MOTION: Motion was made by S. Merchant, seconded by K. Skulczyck, to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 PM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,



**Lisa M. Wood,
Executive Assistant**