



Town of Griswold

Board of Selectmen

Regular Meeting

April 14, 2020

6:00 PM

VIA ZOOM



MINUTES

1. **Call to Order/Roll** – Meeting was called to order at 6 PM by Todd Babbitt, First Selectman (Zoom meeting coordinator)

Members Present: Todd Babbitt, First Selectman (via zoom)
Richard Grabowski, Selectman (via phone)
Jared Picco, Selectman (via zoom)

Others Present: Lisa M. Wood, Executive Assistant (via phone)
Julie Marcotte, Finance Director (via zoom)
2 interested citizens (via zoom)

2. **Approval of Minutes**

- a. **April 9, 2020 – Special Meeting Minutes**

MOTION: Motion was made by R. Grabowski, seconded by J. Picco to approve the April 9, 2020 special meeting minutes as submitted. **Motion carried unanimously.**

3. **Correspondence - None**

4. **New Business**

- a. **Discussion and possible action on one tax refund for a total of \$7.89 as presented by Leona Sharkey, Tax Collector**

MOTION: Motion was made by R. Grabowski, seconded by T. Babbitt, to approve one tax refund for \$7.89 as presented by Leona Sharkey, Tax Collector. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- b. **Discussion and possible action on authorizing the Board of Finance to set a budget and a mill rate and provide them with a revised budget meeting schedule** – T. Babbitt noted there was a new budget meeting schedule and reviewed the dates. He then reviewed the suggested motion by the town attorney. He noted the town attorney suggested a draft budget be posted on the website so the residents have an opportunity to provide comment to a dedicated email address.

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by J. Picco, to authorize the Board of Finance to adopt a municipal budget for the fiscal year of July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021 under the authority and limitations of executive order 7I and in doing so to consult with the town attorney to properly abide by the procedure set out in the executive order and report back to the Board of Selectmen with a mill rate by June 15, 2020.

R. Grabowski asked what if the BOF does not have a mill rate by June 15th? T. Babbitt noted that the motion already includes a 30 day extension to provide a mill rate and he has already confirmed with the Tax Collector that if the mill rate is provided by June 15th, as requested, the bills can still go out on time.

Motion on the floor carried unanimously.

- c. Discussion and possible action on request by Public Health & Safety Committee to review the ordinance to allow alternate members of the Public Health & Safety Committee** – T. Babbitt noted a letter was received from the PH&S committee noting that all members are not always available to attend and with the addition of alternates more business would be able to be conducted. The committee membership is set up by ordinance and at this time does not allow for alternate members. R. Grabowski and J. Picco both had no issues with this.

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by J. Picco, to allow the PH&S Committee to request the ordinance committee to look at the ordinance that governs them and to add a section that allows alternate members. **Motion carried unanimously.**

5. Old Business - None

6. Any Other Business that may properly come before the Board - None

7. Adjournment

MOTION: Motion was made by R. Grabowski, seconded by T. Babbitt, to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 PM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Residents that wanted to listen to the meeting were invited to sign in with Zoom.

Meeting ID: 738 1337 1746

Password: 7JYscK

Respectfully Submitted,



**Lisa M. Wood,
Executive Assistant**