

Ann P. Minor, asst.
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Town of Griswold
Board of Selectmen
Special Meeting
Downstairs Meeting Room
Town Hall – 28 Main Street
September 21, 2021 – 4:15 PM



MINUTES

1. **Call to Order/Roll** – Meeting was called to order by Todd Babbitt, First Selectman

Members Present: Todd Babbitt, First Selectman
Jared Picco, Selectman

Members Absent: Richard Grabowski, Selectman (with notification)

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

2. **Pledge of Allegiance** – Pledge was cited

3. **Approval of Minutes**

- a. **August 24, 2021 – Regular Meeting Minutes**

MOTION: Motion was made by J. Picco, seconded by T. Babbitt, to approve the August 24, 2021, regular meeting minutes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

4. **Correspondence - Notification from Town Clerk regarding a resignation and new appointment of Democratic Deputy Registrar** – Letter was noted as received.

5. **New Business**

- a. **Discussion and possible action on sixteen tax refunds for a total of \$3833.86 as presented by Leona Sharkey, Tax Collector**

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by J. Picco, to approve the sixteen tax refunds for a total of \$3833.86 as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- b. **Discussion and possible action on waiving town associated permitting fees for construction at the Jewett City Fire Department** – T. Babbitt noted the project is for improvement to the JCFD bathroom in the basement which is used for shelter purposes as well as fire station purposes and the total fees requested to be waived is \$485.00.

MOTION: Motion was made by J. Picco, seconded by T. Babbitt, to waive any town associated permitting fees for the JCFD bathroom renovation project. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- c. **Discussion and possible action on proposed peddler's ordinance, proposed alarm ordinance and proposed changes to ordinance Chapter 193 Smoking, and cancelling and setting of a new town meeting date to include all three ordinance items and sale of a piece of property at 1730 Glasgo Road** -- J. Picco noted a spelling error in the Peddler's ordinance.

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by J. Picco, to approve the Peddler's ordinance with the noted spelling correction to go to special town meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

It was noted the alarm ordinance has not yet been received.

T. Babbitt noted the biggest change in the Smoking Ordinance was the addition of the word cannabis. J. Picco noted a spelling error in the word cannabis and also asked if the town properties have smoking areas for the employees. T. Babbitt noted there are currently no town hall employees that smoke and there is a designated smoking area outside in the back at public works. D. Vieaux noted that federal law states they have to be 150 feet away from the building, which at town hall, would be off property. Smoking in your car parked on town property would still be considered to be on town property.

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by J. Picco, to send Chapter 193 Smoking Ordinance with the noted spelling correction to special town meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by J. Picco, to cancel the special town meeting previously scheduled for September 23, 2021. **Motion carried unanimously.**

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by J. Picco, to set a special town meeting date for October 7, 2021, at 6 PM in the downstairs meeting room at town hall. **Motion carried unanimously.**

6. Old Business

- a. **Discussion and possible action on Social Media Policy** -- There was no update from the town attorney.
- b. **Executive Session: Possible discussion and update on building official status**

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by J. Picco, to table this item until the next regular meeting. **Motion carried unanimously.**

c. Discussion and possible action on building official status – No discussion

7. Public Forum -- can only be related to items listed on this agenda

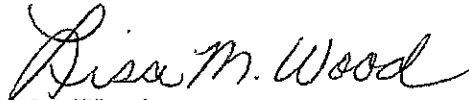
Dave Vieaux – Leha Ave. – D. Vieaux asked why the Alarm ordinance has not come forward. T. Babbitt noted it is still being worked on by two other ordinance committee members.

Dana Bennett – Dina Lance – D. Bennett asked if the BOS is planning on hiring someone for the building official, full time or otherwise. T. Babbitt commented he has no idea until the Board gets a chance to discuss it.

8. Adjournment

MOTION: Motion was made by T. Babbitt, seconded by J. Picco, to adjourn the meeting at 4:29 PM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Lisa M. Wood,
Executive Assistant