

**BOARD OF WARDEN AND BURGESSES
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 7, 2015**

The Regular Meeting of Board of Warden and Burgesses held in the Griswold Town Hall, Main Meeting Room, 28 Main Street, Griswold CT on Monday December 7, 2015 at 6:15pm was called to order by Warden John Connelly.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Clerk Valerie Pudvah read the roll call. Members present: Warden John Connelly, Burgesses Timothy Sharkey, Laurie Sorder, James Krueger and Laura Laidley. Bailiff Donald Moretti absent. A quorum was determined.

ALSO PRESENT:

Leona Sharkey Tax Collector, Linda Cote Treasurer, Ken Sullivan JCDPU, Ken Comfort JCFD, Robert Hanson JCFD, Larry Laidley, James Barnie, Shea Cavacini, Louis Demicco III and Resident Troopers McCarthy and Chittick.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Linda Cote brought up the matter of animals going to the restroom on her daughters front lawn. Shea Cavacini Animal Control Officer will help out with the matter.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 2, 2015:

Burgess Krueger made motion to approve the meeting minutes for November 2, 2015 as presented, 2nd by Burgess Sorder. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

COMMISSIONER REPORT:

Burgess Sharkey wondered how the radar sign was working out. Resident Trooper noted that he was going to talk to the IT tech regarding the computer. Hill Street is the next designated area for the sign.

Warden Connelly mentioned a problem with Lincoln Square with it turning into a one way road. This will be brought up when the board meets again with the town.

It was also noted that no Stop sign needs to be put up at Mary Brown Apartments going onto Brown Avenue. Warden Connelly noted it's like coming out of your driveway.

Burgess Sorder mentioned that she spoke with Bob Hanson and there was a problem with the boiler at the firehouse. It is under New Business.

RESIDENT TROOPER REPORT:

Trooper McCarthy noted that the Resident Troopers will be collecting toys at the Lisbon Target on Saturday December 12th from 9:00am to 4:00pm.

Trooper Chittick noted that they did a compliance check this past Friday night for local areas selling alcohol and it turned out well.

Trooper McCarthy noted that there was a shortage of troopers for the snowflake parade for traffic.

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JEWETT CITY DEPT. OF PUBLIC UTILITIES:

Ken Sullivan went over the Borough Service Report for 7/2014-6/2015. He noted that letters were sent out to the library and the firehouse about caps on the kWhrs.

Warden Connelly asked about the American Legion garage and it was noted that it was all done with.

Bob Hanson also stated that the firehouse has been doing more training than in the past and that could be a reason why there has been more usage. All the lights downstairs have been changed to LED lighting. Discussion was held on the solar panel on the roof, if they are a savings or not. K. Sullivan felt that there is a savings with them.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- 1. Hold harmless letter to JCDPU for lights.**
- 2. Calls for Service Report for October 2015.**

It was noted that the board still has not had any word on the reimbursement.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Make a motion to accept refund in the amount of \$4.15, as presented by the Tax Collector.**
Burgess Sorder made motion to accept the refund in the amount of \$4.15, 2nd by Burgess Krueger. All in favor, aye. Motion is approved.
- 2. Discussion and action on schedule of meetings for calendar year 2016.**
Burgess Sorder made motion to approve the calendar for 2016, 2nd by Burgess Krueger. All in favor, aye. Motion is approved. Burgess Sharkey noted that we can change the date if there is a conflict.
- 3. Discussion and action on appointing two candidates to the JCDPU Board of Commissioners, which will be one to finish Michael Pronicki's term, and one to fill new 3-year term beginning January 1, 2016 thru December 31, 2018.**
Hearing no discussion, Warden Connelly entertained a motion to appoint Kenneth Comfort to fill the term for Michael Pronicki and for Richard Throwe to fill the new 3 year term. Burgess Sharkey made motion, 2nd by Burgess Sorder. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.
- 4. Discussion and possible action on project desired for STEAP grant application.**
Leona Sharkey noted that the requirements are a lot easier with this grant application process. Leona noted that she did sit thru a webinar and that is a plus. The deadline for the application is January 15, 2016. Larry Wagner has noted that he will help with this grant, we just need to decide what project we need to do. Warden Connelly noted that a Special Meeting should be called asap. Leona will call Larry Wagner to find out when is a good time to meet with him and John will notify the board of a date.
- 5. Robert Hanson, Chief of JCFD to speak regarding furnace.**
Mr. Hanson noted that he had the furnace serviced and it then caught fire! Bob noted that they have been using the same company that the town uses for their buildings. Ken Comfort explained what he believed happened to the furnace. It was noted that the State inspector comes every year to inspect the furnace. Burgess Sorder suggested that another company come to look at the furnace and get an estimate. Discussion was held on when the furnace was installed. Burgess Sharkey figured it was between 2006-2008 when it was installed. Bob Hanson noted that he has not received a bill yet for the work that was done. He is not using the original company that installed and serviced the boiler. Burgess Sharkey suggested checking to see if is covered under the insurance. Burgess Sorder made motion to have an independent company come in and inspect the boiler, get a report on the condition of the boiler, 2nd by Burgess Sharkey. All in favor, aye. Motion carries.

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OLD BUSINESS:

1. Parking on Wilson Street.

Warden Connelly spoke with First Selectman Skulczyck and he is going to try and alleviate the problem, will bring up in the road meeting.

Also, Wilson Street and Hill Street there is a problem with the fire apparatus with vehicles parked so close to the curbs. Louis Demicco III suggested a sign for "No Parking from here to corner" be put there with yellow lines. It was suggested that there be a refresher put out to the people regarding No Parking ban during snow storms. Leona will use free use public access for this.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD:

Warden Connelly wondered at our last meeting, Adam Bowles was asking for donation for his project One Square Mile project and what was the outcome. Burgess Sharkey had suggested to Mr. Bowles to come to the board in Feb or March, 2016 if he was seeking a donation for his One Square Mile project.

Burgess Sharkey wondered what happened to the public address system and siren. Would like information for our next meeting regarding this. Warden Connelly suggested that a Special Meeting with the board, the firehouse be set up after the beginning of the year since there are lot of things going wrong.

Burgess Laidley noted that the fire dept participated in the parade Putnam and wanted to say Thank-you. She also wanted to thank the Bicentennial Committee and had a blast at the SnowFlake parade.

Burgess Krueger mentioned that the new LED lights are looking good!

Trooper McCarthy wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas.

Trooper Chittick discussed the DARE program and if it is going to go into the school. There was discussion held on funding for this project. There was also discussion regarding overtime for Trooper Chittick. It was discussed about giving \$1,000.00 for the project. The money would come out of the pistol permit account. No motion was made on this item since it was not on the agenda.

Motion to adjourn, made by Burgess Krueger, 2nd by Burgess Sharkey. All in favor, motion carries.

Meeting duly adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Pudvah, Clerk

**** No meeting minutes for Special Meeting of November 24, 2015. Lack of quorum.