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J. O'Neill-Eaton, asst.



**Town of Griswold**  
**Board of Selectmen**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**February 10, 2015**  
**6:30 PM**  
**Downstairs Meeting Room**  
**Town Hall, 28 Main St., Griswold**



**MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call** – Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Kevin Skulczyck.

**Members Present:**

Kevin Skulczyck, First Selectman  
Steve Mikutel, Second selectman  
Philip Anthony, Third Selectman

**Others Present:**

Jaimee O'Neill-Eaton, Recording Secretary  
Todd Babbitt, Dir. Of Public Works  
Tina Falck, Senior Center Dir.  
14 other interested citizens

2. **Approval of Minutes**

- a. **January 13, 2015 – Regular Meeting Minutes**
- b. **January 22, 2015 – Special Meeting Minutes**
- c. **January 28, 2015 – Special Meeting Minutes**
- d. **January 29, 2015 – Special Meeting Minutes**
- e. **February 4, 2015 – Special Meeting Minutes**

**MOTION:** Motion was made by S. Mikutel, seconded by P. Anthony, to approve the January 13, 2015 – Regular Meeting Minutes, January 22, 2015 – Special Meeting Minutes, January 28, 2015 – Special Meeting Minutes, January 29, 2015 – Special Meeting Minutes, February 4, 2015 – Special Meeting Minutes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

3. **Correspondence - None**

4. **New Business**

- a. **Discussion and possible action on tax refunds as presented by Rich Grabowski, Tax Collector**

**MOTION:** P. Anthony made a motion, seconded by S. Mikutel, to approve the tax

refunds as presented by Rich Grabowski, Tax Collector. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- b. **Discussion and possible action on reappointment of Tina Luft to the recreation Commission as a regular member for a term of 5/16/2014 to 5/15/2018.**
- c. **MOTION:** P. Anthony made a motion, seconded by S. Mikutel, to reappoint Tina Luft to the recreation Commission as a regular member for a term of 5/16/2014 to 5/15/2018. **Motion carried unanimously.**
- d. **Discussion and action on possible expansion of total number of members for the Senior Center Building Committee.** K. Skulczyck asked T. Babbitt to explain why the need for the expansion. T. Babbitt stated that since the scope of the project has changed from expanding the existing Senior Center, to the construction of a new facility, it would be beneficial to expand the board and hopefully add some members with knowledge of construction. It was agreed upon, by the Board, that the Senior Center Building Committee should expand from five members to seven.

## 5. Old Business

- a. **Discussion and possible action on supporting the Borough for a Small Cities Block Grant for the final stage of Ashland manor Renovation project.** K. Skulczyck stated that this is a “Shovel Ready” project which, according to the Town’s Grant Facilitator, is a more favorable project, then a newly created project. It was suggested that the Town issue a letter of support. S. Mikutel stated that he is fully supportive, due to the fact that it is a “Shovel Ready” project and because housing is a priority with the State when it comes to awarding grants.

**MOTION:** P. Anthony made a motion, seconded by S. Mikutel, for the Board of Selectmen to send a letter to Larry Wagner, Grant Facilitator, supporting the Borough’s grant application. **Motion carried unanimously.**

## 6. Any Other Business that may properly come before the Board

**MOTION:** Motion was made by S. Mikutel, seconded by P. Anthony, to bring the item of Day Kimball’s decision to terminate their lease with the Town, and how that decision may impact the Town onto the agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

S. Mikutel noted that Day Kimball will still be providing services to residents of Griswold; it will just be from their Plainfield facility.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by P. Anthony, seconded by S. Mikutel, to bring an item discussed at the February 4, 2015 Bicentennial Committee meeting onto the agenda. **Motion carried unanimously.**

P. Anthony stated that the Bicentennial Committee is looking for the Board of Selectman to approve any additional funds from the Committee be used to go toward the preservation of the Historical Society's artifacts and for Historical Society programming, as opposed to being turned back over the Town's General Fund. Gail Rooke-Norman, member of the Bicentennial Committee, spoke on behalf of the Committee's request.

**MOTION:** Motion was made by K. Skulczyck, seconded by P. Anthony, to allow the Bicentennial Committee to allocate any remaining funds to the Historical Society for preservation and programming. **Motion carried unanimously.**

## 7. Public Forum

**Theresa Madonna** – Stated that the flag in Fanning Park is shredded and should be replaced.

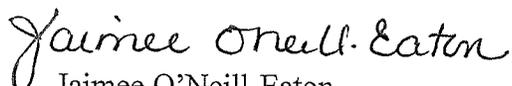
**Ed Berdick** – Noticed that the flag at the High School is flying below where it should be.

**Norm Higgins** – Would like the Board of Selectmen to consider honoring the Public Works crew and any subcontractor used, at a Selectmen's meeting in the spring, where they would be present and thanked, possibly with a certificate, for the wonderful work that has been done this winter with storm cleanup.

## 8. Adjournment

**MOTION:** P. Anthony made a motion, seconded by S. Mikutel, to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 PM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Jaimee O'Neill-Eaton