



Town of Griswold

Board of Selectmen

Regular Meeting

August 25, 2015

6:30 PM

Griswold Town Hall, Downstairs Meeting Room
28 Main St, Jewett City, CT 06351



MINUTES

1. **Call to Order/Roll** - Meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM by Kevin Skulczyck, First Selectman

Members Present: Kevin Skulczyck, First Selectman
Philip E. Anthony, Third Selectman

Members Absent: Steve Mikutel, Second Selectman, with notification

Others Present: Lisa M. Wood, Executive Assistant
Evelyn Spagnolo, Assessor
3 interested citizens

2. **Approval of Minutes**

- a. **August 11, 2015 – Regular Meeting Minutes**
- b. **August 20, 2015 – Special Meeting Minutes**

MOTION: Motion was made by P. Anthony, seconded by K. Skulczyck, to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2015 regular meeting and the August 20, 2015 special meeting minutes. **Motion carried unanimously.**

3. **Correspondence – Copies of Noise Ordinance from other towns for review –** Copies were noted as received.

4. **New Business**

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

MOTION: Motion was made by P. Anthony, seconded by K. Skulczyck, to accept the tax refunds as presented by Griswold Tax Collector, Rich Grabowski. **Motion carried unanimously.**

- b. **Discussion and possible action on information presented by Assessor for RFP for revaluation service –** E. Spagnolo gave a brief description between a statistical and full evaluation. She also noted that with so many sales now being listed online it makes the statistical evaluation that much easier. She confirmed any new building permits that have been issued would warrant an actual inspection of the property. K. Skulczyck noted we want to look for a company that is going to be thorough and not create problems. E. Spagnolo noted it is the Assessor's responsibility to work with the company and batch check as the work progresses.

- c. **Discussion on update from EDC Chairman** – T. Giard, EDC Chairman, noted that a consultant contract was signed with NCDC. As a result NCDC pointed out that the town may be missing out on an opportunity to capitalize on our outdoor activities. The EDC would like to work with NCDC to create a network of hiking trails and river walks. NCDC would then apply for several available funds for Griswold. EDC will be forwarding a resolution to the BOS for approval to go forward with this project. A river walk from Main Street up to the school is one of the first things that would be worked on. P. Anthony noted he is all for it as it also would preserve our natural resources. K. Skulczyck noted it is a good approach for EDC to take to develop economic development. T. Giard also noted that EDC is currently reviewing the P&Z regulations and will be coming forward with some suggestions to improve economic growth.

5. Old Business - None

6. **Any Other Business that may properly come before the Board** – It was noted by both P. Anthony and K. Skulczyck that the Bicentennial Fireworks were a huge success and many residents have complimented such and would like to see it become a yearly event. Both complimented the work done by the fireworks committee.

7. Public Forum

David Vieaux – D. Vieaux noted he would like to compliment the EDC on looking into something other than commercial business and would hope that in addition to a river walk, we could look into getting the waterways open up for canoes and kayaks. The only alarming thing would be the DOT path and hope that is not an RV path. He also noted there was no reference to his correspondence he sent in. K. Skulczyck noted it is being reviewed by Peter Zvingilas and when a response is in it will be shared with the BOS.

Norm Higgins – N. Higgins noted “Celebrate Griswold” would be a great way to build off the Bicentennial celebration if we can get people to donate and make it a yearly event. He also noted he spent some time this summer traveling and where it is near the ocean or a river there are lots of river walks and some of them provide other developments such as restaurants along the way. N. Higgins commended the EDC on their efforts for this project.

8. Adjournment

MOTION: Motion was made by P. Anthony, seconded by K. Skulczyck, to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 PM. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,

**Lisa M. Wood,
Executive Assistant**