



# Town of Griswold

Board of Selectman  
Regular Meeting  
September 8, 2009  
6:30 pm

Town Hall Meeting Room



## MINUTES

*Minutes are draft minutes until approved by the Board of Selectmen at their next regular meeting.*

### 1. Call to Order/Roll Call

**Present:**

Philip Anthony, First Selectman  
Steve Mikutel, Second Selectman  
Anne Hatfield, Third Selectwoman

**Also Present:**

Barbara Crouch, Director of Finance  
Keleigh Baretincic, Recording Secretary  
9 Interested Citizens

### 2. Approval of Minutes:

- a. **August 25, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes: MOTION:** S. Mikutel motioned and was seconded by A. Hatfield to approve the August 25, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. There was no discussion. All in favor; **motion carried.**
- b. **September 1, 2009 Special Meeting Minutes: MOTION:** S. Mikutel motioned and was seconded by A. Hatfield to approve the September 1, 2009 Special Meeting Minutes as presented. There was no discussion. All in favor; **motion carried.**

### 3. Correspondence: Sent/Received: None

### 4. New Business

- a. **Discussion and possible action to select the qualified bidder to perform the Phase III Environmental Study on the Town owned portion of the former Triangle Wire property located at 226 East Main Street, Griswold:** P. Anthony and S. Mikutel both shared their thoughts on the presentations given by the top four bidders. Both agreed that Tighe & Bond presented well, offering complimentary assistance for grant writing, as well as finding a crucial error on a previous study and their emphasis on after remediation marketing. **MOTION:** S. Mikutel motioned and was seconded by P. Anthony to select Tighe & Bond Consulting Engineers and Environmental Specialists as the qualified bidder for the Phase III Environmental Study on the Town owned portion of the former Triangle Wire property located at 226 East Main Street, Griswold. There was no discussion. A. Hatfield abstained. P. Anthony and S. Mikutel voted in favor; **motion carried.**

### 5. Old Business

- a. **Discussion regarding junk yards and the draft Blighted Buildings Ordinance:** The BOS discussed that they will have K. Baretincic contact the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities to compare other town's ordinances. P. Anthony will also send it to the Town Attorney for review. **No action taken.**

- b. Discussion on creating a building fee waiver ordinance for home owners aged 62 or over:** The BOS discussed that they felt this would be a positive waiver for Griswold's senior residents. They will have the Colchester Ordinance reviewed by the Town Attorney for his review and comment. **No action taken.**

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

**7. Public Forum:**

- Two residents noted that a referendum on the question of whether or not to appeal the Andrea Charron case would be more appropriate than a Town Meeting.
- A resident was concerned with vegetation growth on Holly road, which is a private road. It presents safety concerns for emergency vehicles. P. Anthony recommended that the resident address the issue with the home owners association before the BOS addressed it further.
- A resident asked if the Town had acquired additional liability insurance. P. Anthony responded that the Town had coverage standard to municipalities.
- Resident asked about removal of junk from the Aubin junk yard, the property management and disposal policy and the appointment of a hearing officer for zoning issues. The BOS discussed the issue with the resident and will follow up. The BOS also noted that many of the items brought up by the resident fall under the prevue of the Zoning Enforcement Officer, not the BOS.
- A resident asked about the cemetery on Rickstown Road and how the cemetery is maintained. The resident had done some cutting and gardening on the site and would reimbursement for his work. The BOS responded that any work performed was voluntary and that the resident should contact the public works supervisor if there had been some type of agreement reached with him. Additionally this resident asked about two trees located on Richardson Hill Rd that he felt are blocking the site line. The BOS directed the resident to address the issue with the Public Works Foreman, who could verify if it was a hazard.
- A resident spoke in favor of the Andrea Charron case going to a vote, but as a referendum item, not a Town Meeting.

- 8. Adjournment: MOTION:** S. Mikutel motioned and was seconded by P. Anthony to adjourn. There was no discussion. All in favor; **motion carried.** P. Anthony adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Keleigh Baretincic  
Recording Secretary**