



# Town of Griswold

Board of Selectman  
Regular Meeting  
November 24, 2009  
6:30 pm  
Town Hall Meeting Room



## MINUTES

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call:** P. Anthony called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.  
**Present:**  
Philip Anthony, First Selectman  
Steve Mikutel, Second Selectman  
Theresa Madonna, Third Selectwoman  
**Also present:**  
Barbara Crouch, Finance Director  
Keleigh Baretincic, Recording Secretary  
7 Interested Persons
2. **Approval of Minutes:**
  - a. **November 10, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes**
  - b. **November 18, 2009 Special Meeting Minutes**
  - c. **MOTION:** S. Mikutel motioned and was seconded by P. Anthony to approve the November 10, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes and the November 18, 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 of 2010 Budget Schedule:** B. Crouch explained that the Town departments have begun to review their budgets and that she would like to work towards setting a budget schedule. B. Crouch will forward to the Board of Selectmen (BOS) a copy of last year's timeline for their review. She would like to begin working on the budget by the third week of January at the latest. **No action taken.**
  - b. **Re- Appoint Edward Waitte to the Inland Wetlands Commission:** The BOS discussed the reappointment of Edward Waitte to the Inland Wetlands Commission and reviewed his written request for reappointment. **MOTION:** S. Mikutel motioned and was seconded by T. Madonna to reappoint E. Waitte to the Griswold Inland Wetlands Commission for a term of four years, to expire December 2013. There was no discussion. All in favor; **motion carried.**
  - c. **Discussion and possible action on authorizing the First Selectman to sign a contract with Child Scapes for the transfer of playground equipment from the Griswold School playground to the Griswold Town playground located on Hill Street to insure that all warranties remain in full effect according to proprietary constraints: See discussion and action on page two (2).**

***Discussion and action on Item 4c, from page 1...***

B. Crouch explained that the playground equipment was being donated to the Town by the Griswold Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization and that the moving expenses would be covered by a grant that the Town has already received for the playground and skate park. The move would be performed by Child Scapes, to insure that all warranties remain in full effect, the equipment will be stored at the Public Works garage until spring and the land will be staked by Boundaries, LLC., who has donated their services for this project. **MOTION:** S. Mikutel motioned and was seconded by T. Madonna to authorize the First Selectman to sign the contract with Child Scapes, project #38-54589-1Update. There was no discussion. All in favor; **motion carried.**

**5. Old Business**

- a. Request from the Connecticut Municipal Electrical Energy Cooperative (CMEEC) to waive the building fees associated with installing a generator at 4 Water Street in Jewett City, Connecticut:** There was discussion between the BOS as to the status of CMEEC as it pertains to possible exemptions from the building fees relative to State Statutes and the distinction between exempting the fee and waiving the fee. **MOTION:** S. Mikutel motioned and was seconded by T. Madonna to affirm that the Board of Selectmen considers the CMEEC generator project at 4 Water Street to be exempt from Town building fees under Connecticut General Statutes, Chapter 541, as it would not be considered a construction and not subject to inspection as was similarly found to be the case by the Towns of Groton, Connecticut and Norwich Connecticut. There was no discussion. All in favor; **motion carried.**

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

*P. Anthony asked that persons wishing to speak should stand and try to walk to the front microphone if possible. They should identify themselves for the record and limit the comments to two minutes.*

**7. Public Forum:**

- A resident asked the BOS who owned Water Street. It was discussed that the Borough was the probable owner.
- A resident asked about the \$130,000.00 grant funding for the playground and skate park, a portion of which will cover the moving expenses of the donated playscape equipment. The resident asked if amendments could be filed to any remaining funding to be used for other purposes in Town. B. Crouch explained that amendments could be filed should any funding remain after the completion of both projects.
- A resident also asked the BOS to consider sending the issue of lowered and brail traffic signs to the Health and Safety Commission for handicap accessibility.
- Two residents welcomed Theresa Madonna to the Board of Selectmen and expressed the pleasant possibilities of a cohesive working board.

- 8. Adjournment: MOTION:** S. Mikutel motioned and was seconded by T. Madonna to adjourn. There was no discussion. All in favor; **motion carried.** P. Anthony adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**Keleigh Baretincic  
Recording Secretary**