



**Town of North Stonington  
Board of Finance Meeting  
North Stonington Education Center  
December 6, 2023  
7:00 PM**

**Minutes**

1. **Call to Order:** (7:00 pm) Mike Anderson, Dan Smith, Gary Annino, Carl Johnston, Winona Berdine, Louis Gingerella, and Amy Friend. Absent: Sarah Nelson
2. **PublicComments:** None
3. **Election of Officers:** Dan Smith nominates Mike Anderson for Chairman; Louis Gingerella seconds. The Board of Finance votes to unanimously select Mike Anderson as Chairman 5-0-0. Mike Anderson nominates Dan Smith for Vice Chairman; Carl Johnston seconds. The Board of Finance votes to unanimously select Dan Smith for Vice Chairman 5-0-0. Dan Smith nominates Amy Friend for Secretary; Gary Annino seconds. Board of Finance votes unanimously to select Amy Friend as Secretary 5-0-0.
4. **Correspondence:** Review of tax/suspense reports. Review of Board of Education financial reports and Board of Finance number requests.
5. **Review of 298 Norwich-Westerly Demo Close-out:** First Selectman Carlson presented end game financials, reviewing all original bid packages, including exclusion; and requested change order(s) as project progressed. The use of \$90,000 in remaining ARPA funds will be requested. Motion to approve the additional \$90,000 in remaining ARPA funds made by Gary Annino, with the second by Dan Smith. Board of Finance votes to move the additional use of ARPA funds forward with the vote of 6-0-0. (Winona Berdine seated for Sarah Nelson.)
6. **Board of Education:** Further review of Board of Education Financial Reports & Non-lapsing account with Board of Education Chairman Stephanie Mastroianni was present to answer questions. Cost per student discussion; Non-Lapsing discussion of deposits.
7. **2024-2025 Budget:**
  - Budget Timeline/Calendar: Discussion. Cancellation of December 20, 2023 meeting. Gary Annino motions to move ahead with Board of Finance meeting every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm, with Dan Smith in to second that motion. Calendar is approved unanimously 6-0-0.
  - Budget Request Forms: Budget Request Forms to be sent/reviewed by email; Request for presentations to be sent to Board of Finance ahead of presentation time.
8. **Review of Minutes:** None
9. **Public Comments:** None
10. **Adjournment:** Mike Anderson motions to adjourn with Dan Smith in to second that motion. Board of Finance votes to adjourn at 8:24pm 6-0-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Amy Friend  
North Stonington Board of Finance