

Town of North Stonington Board of Selectmen Meeting North Stonington New Town Hall Conference Room June 25, 2019 6:00 PM

MINUTES

Call to Order: 6:01pm, in attendance First Selectman Mike Urgo, Selectman Bob Carlson, and Selectman Nita Carlson.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments and Questions

- 1. Sustainable CT presentation / resolution
 - a. Presentation given by Jessica LeClair of Eastern Connecticut State
 University about the Sustainable CT program. Discussion about the
 program followed.
 - Motion by First Selectman Urgo to adopt resolution supporting participation in the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification Program, 2nd by Selectman Carlson, approved 3-0-0.
- 2. Boombridge Road Bridge update
 - a. Update by First Selectman Urgo on the status of the Boombridge Road Bridge project. The contact with the state is optimistic that the project will go out to bid in the fall to begin construction in the spring.
- 3. 123a Clarks Falls Road update
 - a. The property has been sold, the closing was held last week.

 Motion by First Selectman Urgo to add agenda item 7: Tax refunds to the agenda, 2nd by Selectman Carlson, approved 3-0-0
- 4. Town Meeting planning/discussion
 - a. The town meeting will be held on Saturday, June 29 at 9am. Christine Wagner, Board of Education chair, and Dan Spring, Board of Finance chair, will present. Topics to be covered will include the financial state of the town and the current debt service for the town. Tables will be set up for questions if residents are more comfortable asking questions individually instead of the group. A Facebook live event will be held on

Friday, June 28 at 9am. Residents can come to the New Town Hall Conference Room if they wish to attend but do not want to access the event from home.

5. Hewitt Farm Recreation pavilion

- a. First Selectman Urgo led a discussion regarding the Hewitt Farm Recreation pavilion.
- b. Motion by First Selectman Urgo to approve the quote from Pine Creek to build the pavilion at Hewitt Farm, 2nd by Selectman Kincaid.

 Discussion followed. Selectman Carlson voiced concerns about the way the situation was handled and the way he was given information about the funding and the process. Approved 2-1.

6. Minutes

- a. June 7, 2019 Special Meeting: meeting minutes were not available for approval at this time
- b. June 11, 2019: Motion by Selectman Kincaid to approve the minutes from June 11, 2nd by Selectman Carlson, Approved 3-0-0
- c. June 14, 2019 Special Meeting: Motion by Selectman Carlson to approve the minutes from the Special Meeting on June 14, 2^{nd} by Selectman Kincaid, Approved 3-0-0

7. Tax Refunds

a. Motion by Selectman Kincaid to approve the tax refunds as presented by Karen Joyal, Tax Collector, $2^{\rm nd}$ by Selectman Carlson, Approved 3-0-0

Gregory Congdon	\$8.46
Steve Congdon	\$11.56
Sarah Ackley	\$386.98
Toyota Lease Trust	\$180.31
Jane Beliego	\$8.73

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Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 7:30pm by Selectman Kincaid, 2^{nd} by Selectman Carlson.

Public Comments limited to 2 minutes on Agenda Items Only

Respectfully submitted, Christine Dias

North Stonington Resolution Supporting Participation In the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification Program

WHEREAS, Sustainable CT is a comprehensive, statewide, action-oriented voluntary certification program, built by and for municipalities, with the vision that: Sustainable CT communities strive to be thriving, resilient, collaborative, and forward-looking. They build community and local economy. They equitably promote the health and well-being of current and future residents. And they respect the finite capacity of the natural environment.

WHEREAS, Sustainable CT is designed to boost local economies, help municipal operations become more efficient, reduce operating costs, and provide grants and additional support to municipalities.

WHEREAS, North Stonington embraces an ongoing process of working toward greater sustainability, selecting which actions it chooses to pursue from the voluntary menu of actions provided by Sustainable CT.

RESOLVED, by the Board of Selectmen of North Stonington that we do hereby authorize First Selectman, Mike Urgo, to serve as North Stonington's Sustainable CT contact person for the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification process and authorize him to complete Municipal Registration on behalf of North Stonington.

RESOLVED, that to focus attention and effort within North Stonington on matters of sustainability, and in order to promote the Board of Selectmen's local initiatives and actions toward Sustainable CT Municipal Certification, the Board of Selectmen establishes an advisory Sustainability Team [OR revises role of Existing Committee to serve as a Sustainability Team].

RESOLVED, that the first meeting of the Sustainability Team must be held within 90 days of passing this resolution and that the Sustainability Team shall meet as frequently as needed, but no less than quarterly.

RESOLVED, that the Sustainability Team shall report annually to the Board of Selectmen on the progress of its activities toward Sustainable CT certification, with reports and presentations made publicly available.