



**Town of North Stonington  
Board of Selectmen Meeting  
North Stonington New Town Hall Conference Room  
November 26, 2019  
6:00 PM**

MINUTES

Call to Order: 6:00pm, First Selectman Mike Urgo, Selectman Bob Carlson, and Selectman Nita Kincaid in attendance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments and Questions on non-agenda items

1. Discussion of committees
  - a. First Selectman Urgo opened discussion on the Complete Count Committee for Census 2020. The Selectmen will put out communication to recruit potential committee members. The Communications Committee was also discussed.
2. Warn petitioned Town Meeting and consideration of removal of town meeting question to referendum and hours for voting on same
  - a. The petition for a special town meeting about affordable housing that was discussed at the last Board of Selectmen meeting was discussed. Selectman Kincaid motioned to warn for Town Meeting on January 6, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectman Carlson. Approved 3-0-0
3. Review of virtual meeting seminar best practices
  - a. Selectman Kincaid attended a seminar on November 21 & 22 on virtual meeting best practices and delivered a summary of the seminar.
4. Animal Shelter community discussion update
  - a. First Selectman Urgo updated the Board of Selectmen on the community discussion held on Saturday, November 23 at the Rec Center.
5. Town Meeting Moderator Training discussion
  - a. The Board of Selectmen wants to have a pool of people trained to moderate town and other meetings. First Selectman Urgo has reached out to the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities to see if they can run this type of training, but they do not offer this type.
6. Staffing updates

- a. Administration & Finance Officer Christine Dias gave a staffing update for town positions.
  - 7. Sustainable CT
    - a. The Board of Selectmen reviewed the status of Sustainable CT at the last meeting. First Selectman Uργο asked the Selectmen if there are any specific areas of Sustainable CT that they are interested in working on. The Board will revisit this topic at the next meeting.
  - 8. Farmers Market volunteer group discussion
    - a. A town volunteer group has been working toward the goal of holding a farmer's market next year. The topic was discussed at the Economic Development Commission meeting on November 21 and was proposed as a subcommittee of EDC. Discussion followed.
  - 9. Appointments
    - a. Motion by First Selectman Uργο to appoint Robert Boissevain to the Eastern Connecticut Regional Tourism District, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectman Kincaid, Approved 3-0-0
    - b. Motion by Selectman Carlson to appoint Brian Rathbun to the Affordable Housing Committee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by First Selectman Uργο, Approved 3-0-0
    - c. Motion by Selectman Kincaid to appoint Connie Berardi to the Affordable Housing Committee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectman Carlson, Approved 3-0-0.
  - 10. Minutes
    - a. November 12, 2019 Special Meeting: Motion by Selectman Carlson to approve minutes as submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup> by First Selectman Uργο, Approved 3-0-0
    - b. November 12, 2019: Motion by Selectman Carlson to approve the minutes as submitted, 2<sup>nd</sup> by First Selectman Uργο, Approved 3-0-0
- Adjournment: Motion by Selectman Kincaid to adjourn at 7:13pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectman Carlson.

*Public Comments on agenda items will be permitted throughout the meeting. All public comments are limited to 2 minutes.*

Respectfully submitted,  
Christine Dias