

Town of North Stonington Board of Selectmen Meeting North Stonington Education Center & Zoom Meeting November 14, 2023 6:30 PM

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MINUTES

- Call to order/Roll Call: Call to order at 6:30pm. First Selectman Bob Carlson, Selectman Brett Mastroianni, and Selectman Nicole Porter in attendance with Director of Administration & Finance Christine Dias.
- **2.** Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items*
- 4. Minutes
 - **a.** October 24, 2023 Meeting: Motion to approve minutes as presented by Selectman Porter with the addendum that Brian Rathbun's letter was read aloud, 2nd by Selectman Mastroianni; motion approved 3-0-0.
 - **b.** October 27, 2023 Special Meeting: Motion to approve minutes as presented by Selectman Porter, 2nd by Selectman Mastroianni; motion approved 3-0-0.
- 5. Selectman Comments: Selectman Mastroianni would like to thank everyone who came out and voted on election day. Selectman Mastroianni also stated that at the Board of Selectmen meetings there is no requirement to state your address when speaking. Selectman Porter would like to publicly thank Director of Administration & Finance Christine Dias for her hard work and dedication to her job. She would also like to express she will be sorely missed.
- **6.** First Selectman Report/Correspondence: First Selectman Carlson would like to add the 8-24 review results from the Planning and Zoning Commission in regard to the

- KNSA Affordable Housing plan on Wintechog Hill Rd. It will be discussed at the next Board of Selectmen meeting on November 21, 2023.
- 7. North Stonington Volunteer Fire Company Ladder Truck: Chief Charlie Steinhart V spoke regarding the need for a Ladder Truck. PowerPoint presentation given by NSVFC member Kyle Bergel. Board of Selectman asked questions and discussion followed.
- **8.** FY25 Capital & 5 Year Capital Plan: Highway Foreman Don Hill and Assistant Foreman Alan Ladd gave a presentation on the Highway and Transfer Station Capital Plan requests. Board of Selectmen asked questions and discussion followed.
- 9. LoCIP 5 Year Plan: Director of Administration & Finance Christine Dias and Highway Foreman Donny Hill gave a PowerPoint presentation for the 5 Year LoCIP Plan. Board of Selectmen asked questions and discussion followed. Selectman Mastroianni motioned to accept the 5 Year LoCIP Plan, 2nd by First Selectman Carlson; motion approved 3-0-0. Plan will be moved forward to a Town Meeting.
- **10.** FY25 Budget Calendar: Board of Selectmen reviewed the FY 2025 Budget Calendar. Board of Finance would like a Capital best draft before their January 3, 2024, meeting. Plans to discuss the Capital Plan at the Board of Selectmen meeting on November 21, 2023, at 6:30pm. There is also a plan to meet with the Highway Department and the Fire Department at a Special Meeting on November 18, 2023, at 9:00am regarding their Capital needs.

11.Tax Refunds:

- **a.** Motion to approve the tax refunds in the total amount of 6,069.88 by Selectman Mastroianni, 2^{nd} by Selectman Porter; motion approved 3-0-0.
 - **a.** Antonio Amaral L & T E: \$1,386.00
 - **b.** Paul E & Heather P Ames: \$1,213.00
 - **c.** Mark J & Sharron E Bernasconi: \$14.50
 - **d.** Glenn J & Maureen R Gerrish: \$1,020.00
 - e. Richard & Betty Menard: \$281.38
 - **f.** Barbara J O'Brien: \$1,327.00
 - g. Jack Arthur Watson Jr: \$828.00
- **b.** Motion to approve the tax refunds in the total amount of \$1,790.95 by Selectman Mastroianni, 2nd by Selectman Porter; motion approved 3-0-0.
 - **a.** Thomas N Main: \$1,357.00
 - **b.** Stephen A Sandri: \$63.89

c. Toyota Lease Trust: \$370.06

12.0ld Business

- **a.** Demolition of One Story 298 Norwich Westerly Road: First Selectman Carlson, Attorney Rob Avena, Clerk of the Works Bob Gervasini, and Bestech had a meeting regarding the project closeout costs. Awaiting a response from Bestech regarding the discussion.
- b. Vacancies & Appointments: No appointments and two vacancies. Margaret Leonard has resigned from her position with Affordable Housing. Kevin Geary has resigned from his Inland Wetlands position.
- c. ARPA Funds Update and Discussion: None
- **d.** Plan of Conservation & Development Update: Juliet Hodge is requesting an extension.
- 13. Public Comments*
- 14. Next Meeting: November 21, 2023 Special meeting
- **15.** Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 8:48pm by Selectman Porter, 2nd by Selectman Mastroianni; motion approved 3-0-0.

*The Board of Selectmen respectfully requests that public comments do not exceed two (2) minutes per person in respect for everyone's time.

Respectfully Submitted, Jennifer Knight