



**Town of North Stonington
Board of Selectmen Meeting
North Stonington Education Center & Zoom Meeting
July 11, 2023
6:30 PM**

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Link to 7/11/23 Meeting Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/UGDNfiPE7ZY?feature=share>

MINUTES

1. 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. Selectman Comments: None
5. First Selectman Report/Correspondence: First Selectman Carlson provided an update on the letter previously discussed regarding the town owned property on Wintechog Hill that has been discussed for affordable housing. First Selectman Carlson told the Selectmen about an upcoming STEAP grant application period which will be discussed at a future meeting.
6. Lake of Isles Conservation Easement: First Selectman Carlson provided information on the Lake of Isles Conservation Easement. Conservation Commission Chair Bill Ricker shared potential recommendations for the intrusions to the conservation easement. Town Attorney Rob Avena provided information regarding the deed and conservation easement and the proposal from the owners for the intrusion. Legal counsel for the owners will be in attendance at a future meeting but was unable to

attend the meeting this evening. Chris Casadei from Hull Forest Products answered questions on the tree removal.

7. Sustainability Committee Presentation: This will be moved to a future meeting.
8. Selectman Porter motioned to adjust agenda, move Lake Drawdown above Transfer Station Update, 2nd by Selectman Mastroianni, motion approved 3-0-0
9. Lake Drawdown Discussion: A letter was included in packet from Wyassup Lake Association for drawdown of lake to do corrective work on lake. Art Armstrong, President of the Lake Association, provided an explanation on the process. Any fees for the drawdown would be covered by the Lake Association. Motion by Selectman Mastroianni to approve the lake drawdown process, 2nd by Selectman Porter, motion approved 3-0-0.
10. Transfer Station Update: The Selectmen discussed the current sale of stickers and enforcement of bulky waste fees since July 1st. Selectman Mastroianni provided information on what other towns charge for bulky waste which was discussed.
11. Capital Plan Discussion: Director of Administration & Finance Christine Dias reviewed the prior capital process and FY24 Capital Plan Request form. Discussion followed. The Board of Selectmen will discuss the definition of capital and the updates to request form.
12. Tax Refunds: Motion to approve the tax refunds in the total amount of \$4,196.16 by Selectman Porter, 2nd by Selectman Mastroianni; motion approved 3-0-0
 - a. Acar Leasing: \$83.42
 - b. Steven Brewster: \$82.06
 - c. Cab East LLC: \$339.16
 - d. Kody Lewis: \$73.31
 - e. Peck & Tuneski, PC: \$1,572.50
 - f. Christopher Post: \$49.10
 - g. Linda Pershaec: \$342.96
 - h. QPO Properties: \$1,653.65
13. Old Business
 - a. Demolition of One Story 298 Norwich Westerly Road: No update
 - b. Vacancies & Appointments: New Administrative Assistant Jennifer Knight will be starting on Monday in the Selectmen's Office. IT Manager Jim Russell

will be leaving the town for a new position. The position will be posted tomorrow.

- c. ARPA Funds Update and Discussion: Economic Development Commission has voted to close out the Small Business Program and return \$33,181.09 to the ARPA funds. The total of unallocated funds is \$90,326.79.
- d. Plan of Conservation & Development Update: Steering Committee will meet on Monday, July 17th.

14. Minutes

- a. June 29, 2023 Special Meeting: Motion by Selectman Mastroianni to approve minutes as presented, 2nd by Selectman Porter. Motion approved 3-0-0.

15. Public Comments*

16. Next Meeting: July 25, 2023

- 17. Adjournment: Motion by Selectman Mastroianni to adjourn at 9:31pm, 2nd by Selectman Porter, 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,
Christine Dias