

Town of North Stonington Board of Selectmen Meeting North Stonington Education Center & Zoom Meeting August 8, 2023 6:30 PM

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Link to 8/8/2023 Meeting Video:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y6dFGdDCTsw

AGENDA

- Call to order/Roll Call: Call to order at 6:30 pm. First Selectman Bob Carlson, Selectman Nicole Porter, and Selectman Brett Mastroianni 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: None
- **6.** Keeping North Stonington Affordable: KNSA President Mary Ann Ricker gave a presentation. Consultant David Berto spoke as well. Board of Selectmen asked questions and discussion followed. The Board of Selectmen will get questions together for KNSA and the item will be on a future agenda.
- **7.** Resolution Adopting the Hazard Mitigation and Climate Adaptation Plan Update: Current plan is up to date, no changes. Selectman Brett Mastroianni motioned to adopt, 2nd by Selectman Nicole Porter, motion approved 3-0-0.
- **8.** Transfer Station Compacting Plan: Assistant Highway Foreman Alan Ladd gave a presentation. Highway Foreman Don Hill spoke as well. Board of Selectman asked questions and discussion followed. Voting for 2 additional Appropriations. First being \$59,816 for FY23 unspent LoCIP funds and FY24 additional budgeted funds from the undesignated fund to B27.00. Also, C2.05, Transfer Station Compactor Upgrades from undesignated fund of \$190,000 for purchase of truck and

- containers. Selectman Nicole Porter made a motion of the proposed plan to revamp the Transfer Station to the Board of Finance, 2nd by Selectman Brett Mastroianni, motion approved 3-0-0.
- 9. 2023 STEAP Grant: First Selectman Bob Carlson provided an update. Applying for STEAP Grant by August 18, 2023. Selectman Brett Mastroianni made a motion to move forward with STEAP funding for roof repair of the two-story building also the HVAC systems for the meeting room and central office at 298 Norwich Westerly Rd. Also, for painting of Old Town Hall and Irrigation for the fields at the school. Selectman Nicole Porter 2nd the motion. Motion approved 3-0-0. Selectman Mastroianni motioned to opt into the STEAP program, 2nd by Selectman Porter, motion approved 3-0-0.
- **10.** End of Year Transfers: There were three end of year transfers. First is B 6.00, salary tax collector, will be taken from B 1.14 Grant Writer for \$3,684.06. Which is needed to cover changing the position from part-time to full-time. Second is B 27.17, Transfer Station wages, which were transferring from B 27.08 Public Works labor and wages for \$3,386.16. This is for Transfer Station staff coverage. Lastly B 30.01, tax refunds prior year, being taken from B 26.04 State Troopers for \$16,242.27. These are all transfers no additional appropriation is added to the budget. Selectman Mastroianni made a motion to process the transfers as stated, 2nd by Selectman Porter, motion approved 3-0-0.
- **11.** Capital Plan Discussion: Discussed the amount of \$10,000 or more lasting 5-years or more as the definition for capital. Selectman Brett Mastroianni made a motion to adopt this as the policy and the definition. First Selectman Bob Carlson 2nd the motion approved 3-0-0.
- **12.** Farmer's Market Location Change: Selectman Nicole Porter made a motion to move the North Stonington Artisan's Farmers Market from Hewitt Farm to 298 Norwich Westerly Rd, 2nd by First Selectman Bob Carlson, motion approved 3-0-0.

13.Old Business

- **a.** Demolition of One Story 298 Norwich Westerly Road: First Selectman Bob Carlson sent a certified letter to Bestech and they received it.
- **b.** Speed Hump update: The Board of Selectman will be taking a walk through the Village on 9/12/2023 to look for possible places for more Speed Humps.

14. Minutes

- July 25, 2023 Meeting: Selectman Mastroianni made a motion to approve minutes for the July 25, 2023 meeting as presented, 2nd by Selectman Porter.
 Motion approved 3-0-0.
- **15.** Public Comments*
- **16.** Next Meeting: August 22, 2023
- **17.** Adjournment: Selectman Nicole Porter made a motion to adjourn at 9:20pm, 2nd by Selectman Brett 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