



**Town of North Stonington  
Board of Selectmen Special Meeting  
North Stonington Education Center & Zoom Meeting  
November 16, 2021  
6:00 PM**

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## **MINUTES**

1. **Call to order/Roll Call:** Call to order at 6:02pm. First Selectman Bob Carlson, Selectman Nicole Porter, and Selectman Brett Mastroianni in attendance with Administration & Finance Officer Christine Dias.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items\***

This agenda item is newly created by the new Board of Selectmen. First Selectman Bob Carlson announced that the Board of Selectmen will now allow the public to comment on agenda items as they are discussed instead of waiting until the end of the meeting.

4. **Selectman Comments:**

This agenda item is newly created to give the selectmen opportunities to comment on agenda items. Selectman Mastroianni thanked the prior BOS for their service.

5. **First Selectman Report/Correspondence:** This agenda item will be used to discuss something that might have happened at the last meeting or prior to the next meeting. Instead of a Friday announcement, First Selectman Carlson stated that he will have three avenues to get information to the public. This agenda item is one of them. The second way is through Facebook with the "First Selectman Billboard" to make statements only. First Selectman Carlson said he will publish his town cellphone number and will be at the town hall daily for any discussions. The last way is through the newly created, "Selectmen's Blog" located on the North Stonington's website. First Selectman Carlson has two correspondences. First Selectman Carlson gave information on The Christmas celebration on December 5<sup>th</sup> to the other selectmen. He also informed Selectman Porter and Selectman Mastroianni that there will be some work done on the Verizon Tower on Wintechog Hill Rd. First Selectman Carlson also announced that the Board of Selectmen

will be doing meetings/field trips once a week to inspect and learn about town equipment. Additionally, First Selectman Carlson brought up the Solar Array project on Route 184.

## **6. Old Business**

**a. Speed Humps:** First Selectman Bob Carlson was told that this will start November 17, 2021

**b. Special Town Meeting- November 22, 2021:** The Board of Selectmen discussed ways to advertise the meeting to get higher attendance. Signs will be posted around town.

**7. Agenda Format & Meeting Times:** Meetings will continue to be held the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. Meetings will remain at 6:00pm for the remainder of the calendar year. The BOS will vote on a calendar for next year at the next BOS meeting.

**8. Community Conversation: 298 Norwich Westerly Road and American Rescue Plan Funds:** First Selectman Carlson wants the public to come up with ideas on what to do with 298 Norwich Westerly Road. A final presentation will be given and then the public will vote in a referendum. In regard to the American Rescue Plan, First Selectman Carlson wants to create a comprehensive plan for the rest of the funds. A community conversation will be held in January for these items.

**9. Code of Ethics Commission:** Residents can go to the Town Hall or Town Clerk website to apply to be appointed to The Ethics Commission. The BOS reviewed the Ethics Commission as described in the Code of Ethics.

**10. Appointed Committees – Terms:** First Selectman Bob Carlson stated that some of the committees that are appointed are out of term. Selectman Brett Mastroianni reported on appointed committees.

**11. Boards & Commissions – Vacancies:** On the EDC, there is one full time and one alternate vacancy, both Democrat vacancies. There is one alternate vacancy on the Zoning Board of Appeals for a Democrat or an unaffiliated person.

## **12. Public Comments\***

**13. Adjournment:** Selectman Mastroianni motioned to adjourn at 6:57pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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,  
Ivanna Hugo