

# Town of North Stonington Board of Selectmen Meeting Zoom Meeting August 11, 2020 6:00 PM

## **MINUTES**

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call: 6:00pm, First Selectman Mike Urgo, Selectman Nita Kincaid and Selectman Bob Carlson in attendance with Christine Dias, Administration & Finance Officer.
- 2. Public Comments on non-agenda items\*
- 3. Rental proposals one story wing of North Stonington Education Center
  - a. The Town put out an RFP for the rental of the one story wing of the North Stonington Education Center at 298 Norwich Westerly Road. The Board of Selectmen reviewed the proposals that were received. Town Attorney Rob Avena was at the meeting to answer questions. First Selectman Urgo will abstain from the vote due to a perceived conflict of interest regarding one of the bidders but feels they are both good proposals. If the Board decides to move forward, Selectman Kincaid would work with Gary Annino from the School Building Repurposing Committee to negotiate the lease. Discussion followed.
  - b. Motion by Selectman Kincaid to pursue negotiations regarding the proposals from the RFP for the rental of the one story wing of the North Stonington Education Center and report back to the Board of Selectmen and designate Selectman Carlson and Gary Annino to be the point people to create a proposal, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectman Carlson, 2-0-1 abstention by First Selectman Urgo
- 4. Demolition proposals one story wing of North Stonington Education Center
  - a. The Town put an RFP out for the demolition of the one story wing of the North Stonington Education Center and received 4 proposals ranging from \$873,795 to \$1,344,913. The proposals will be reviewed.
- 5. Update on equity and inclusion virtual conversation
  - A conversation of equity and inclusion has been scheduled for Monday,
    August 17 at 7:00pm with a facilitator from North Stonington through Zoom.
    A news blast will be sent out tomorrow.
- 6. Update on Tropical Storm Isaias

a. First Selectman Urgo provided an update on the impact of Tropical Storm Isaias on North Stonington. Over 30% of town was without power at one point. Restoration has continued through today.

# 7. COVID-19 Update

a. North Stonington and the surrounding area have had limited cases. The school is meeting to present their reopening plan. The doors to Town Hall were unlocked for the public as of August 4.

#### 8. Tax Refunds

a. Motion by Selectman Carlson to approve the tax refunds as presented by the Tax Collector,  $2^{nd}$  by Selectman Kincaid, motion approved 2-0-1 abstention by First Selectman Urgo.

Sally Connelly: \$1,706.73

Craig Robarge: \$8.59

Paul Belyea: \$54.87

Sandra Steinhart: \$29.00 Matthew Walters: \$36.67

Matthew Walters: \$3,031.42

Matthew Walters: \$176.08 Matthew Walters: \$158.19

Marlene Tarallo: \$79.65

## 9. Minutes

- a. July 28, 2020 Special meeting: Motion by Selectman Carlson to approve the minutes as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectman Kincaid, motion approved 3-0-0
- b. July 28, 2020 Regular meeting: Motion by Selectman Carlson to approve the minutes as presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> by First Selectman Urgo, motion approved 3-0-0
- 10. Adjournment: Motion by Selectman Kincaid to adjourn at 7:47pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Selectman Carlson.

Public will be able to attend the meeting by calling in through Zoom. Please call 1 646 558 8656, then enter Meeting ID: 856 9956 8454.

\*Public comment on agenda items will be allowed following each item. Public comments are limited to 2 minutes in respect for everyone's time

Respectfully submitted, Christine Dias