

Town of
North Stonington
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MINUTES
October 24, 2022

A Special Town Meeting of electors and citizens qualified to vote in Town Meetings of the Town of North Stonington, Connecticut was held at the North Stonington Education Center Media Center, 298 Norwich-Westerly Road, North Stonington, Connecticut on Monday, October 24, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. and online through Zoom for viewing and public comment only.

Present: First Selectman Robert Carlson, Selectman Brett Mastroianni, and Selectwoman Nicole Porter. Also present at the meeting were Administration & Finance Officer Christine Dias and Registrars of Voters Connie Berardi and Emily Lewis.

First Selectman Carlson called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. and gave a brief overview of the items to be discussed and the format of the meeting. He then asked for a **MOTION** from the floor to elect a Moderator. A **MOTION** made by Stephanie Mastroianni, seconded by Connie Berardi to elect Lisa Mazzella as the Moderator. A **MOTION** made by Anne Nalwalk, seconded by Stephanie Mastroianni to close all nominations. **MOTION TO CLOSE ALL NOMINATIONS CARRIED. MOTION TO ELECT LISA MAZZELLA AS THE MODERATOR CARRIED.**

Moderator Lisa Mazzella stated the rules and protocols of the meeting and voter eligibility requirements. Moderator Mazzella asked Town Clerk Antoinette Pancaro to read the call of the meeting.

Warning is hereby given to the electors and those entitled to vote at town meetings of the Town of North Stonington that a Special Town Meeting shall be held at the following location on the date and time indicated for the purposes of transacting the business set forth below:

Location: North Stonington Education Center Media Center, 298 Norwich Westerly Road
Date: October 24, 2022
Time: 6:30 PM

Only those attending the meeting in person will be able to vote. The meeting will be available for comment and viewing through Zoom at the link below, but those attending virtually will not be able to vote.

1. Shall the Town approve the amended Five (5) Year Local Capital Improvement Plan as presented for fiscal years 2023-2027?

A **MOTION** made by John Olsen, seconded by Carolyn Howell to approve the question for discussion. First Selectman Robert Carlson gave background information and details regarding the amended Five Year Local Capital Improvement Plan. Discussion and questions followed, with First Selectman Carlson and Administration & Finance Officer Christine Dias answering questions and clarifying information. A **MOTION** made to move the question to vote by Connie Berardi,

seconded by Stephanie Mastroianni. Vote by a show of hands was 21 YES, 0 NO. **MOTION carried.**

2. Shall the Town deobligate the Capital Project Fund Boombridge (bridge repair) in the amount of \$55,973.49 and the Capital Project Fund Financial Software in the amount of \$39,952.08?

A **MOTION** made by Nick Mullane, seconded by Anne Nalwalk to approve the question for discussion. First Selectman Robert Carlson gave background information regarding these capital funds. Discussion and questions followed, with First Selectman Carlson and Selectman Brett Mastroianni answering questions and clarifying information. A **MOTION** made to move the question to vote by Winona Berdine, seconded by Paul Simonds. Vote by a show of hands was 22 YES, 0 NO. **MOTION carried.**

3. Shall the Town approve an additional appropriation in the amount of \$395,603 for use of reimbursable state STEAP grant funds for road work and paving as recommended by the Board of Finance?

All supporting documentation will be available on the town website, www.northstoningtonct.gov

Zoom link for viewing and public comment only:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81143317201?pwd=cTZKUkh0TjNid2Y4YnNrZ29VYkEzUT09>

A **MOTION** made by Chet Stefanowicz, seconded by Jamie Towle-Weicksel to approve the question for discussion. First Selectman Robert Carlson gave background information regarding the STEAP grant and how the STEAP grant funds would be used for road improvement and paving. Discussion and questions followed, with First Selectman Carlson and Administration & Finance Officer Christine Dias answering questions and clarifying information. A **MOTION** made to move the question to vote by Paul Simonds, seconded by Will Mason. Vote by a show of hands was 22 YES, 0 NO. **MOTION carried.**

A **MOTION** made by Anne Nalwalk, seconded by Will Mason to adjourn the meeting. **MOTION carried.** Moderator Lisa Mazzella adjourned the Special Town Meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Antoinette Pancaro
Town Clerk
Town of North Stonington