The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a regular meeting on this date at the Stonington Police Department at 7:00 p.m. Present were First Selectman Edward Haberek, Selectman George Crouse and Selectman Glee McAnanly. Also present were members of the public and press.

(1) Call to Order

Mr. Haberek called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

(2) Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to approve the June 12, 2013 Board of Selectmen regular meeting minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to approve the July 3, 2013 Board of Selectmen special meeting minutes.

(3) Comments from the Public

None

(4) Correspondence

None

(5) Appointments/Resignations

Retirement Board

A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to appoint Bill King to the Retirement Board contingent on the Board of Education's approval.

Pawcatuck River Harbor Management Commission

A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to appoint Ray Trebisacci, Sandy Grimes, Raul Ferreira and Tim O'Brien to the Pawcatuck River Harbor Management Commission.

Housing Authority

This matter was tabled.

(6) New Business

Davis Standard Discussion - 2012 Declaration of Personal Property

Mr. Bill Hayes of the National Bureau of Property Administration, Inc. spoke to the Selectmen. Mr. Hayes stated that Davis Standard has been a long time employer and manufacturer in Stonington and they had a transition year in 2012 and as part of that transition, there were many things that needed attention and unfortunately the 2012 business personal property return was not filed in a timely manner. Mr. Hayes stated that he has been associated with Davis Standard for 20 years and this is the first time in those 20 years anything like this has ever happened. Mr. Hayes further stated that Davis Standard acknowledges that they did not file the Declaration in a timely manner and is requesting that the Board grant the manufacturer's exemption for 2012. Mr. Haberek stated that in this process last time that it occurred with another organization there needed to be a small caveat in the state legislative statute. Mr. Haberek stated that we are trying to find out if the State Senator had put that in there or not. Mr. Haberek also stated that from a town aspect, we are more than happy to welcome this and will certainly send this to town meeting which is the appropriate legislative body to vote on it. A motion was made by Mr. Crouse and seconded by Mrs. McAnanly to send the request for the Declaration for personal property to town

meeting pending approval of state statute if needed. **Discussion:** Mrs. McAnanly asked when will Senator Maynard be able to put this forward. Mr. Haberek stated that we are waiting for Tom Londregan's opinion on whether this Declaration needs to have a state statute exemption. The vote was 3-0 in favor of sending the exemption to town meeting.

Bamboo Ordinance Discussion

Ms. Marissa Vallillo and other residents spoke to the Selectmen regarding a bamboo issue they are having with a neighbor. The residents requested that an ordinance be drafted with regard to growing bamboo. Mr. Haberek stated that he will have the town attorney draft an ordinance.

(7) Comments from the Public

None

(8) Comments from the Selectmen

None

(9) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristine Bell

Recording Secretary