September 14, 2015

The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a special meeting on this date at the Stonington Town Hall at 2:00 p.m. Present were First Selectman George Crouse and Selectman Mike Spellman. Selectman Rob Simmons was available by telephone. Also present was a member of the press.

(1) Call to Order

Mr. Crouse called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

(2) Comments from the Public

None

(3) Appointments

Planning and Zoning Commission

A motion was made by Mr. Spellman and seconded by Mr. Crouse to appoint A. Gardner Young and David Rathbun from alternate members to full members and Harry Boardson and Harry Martin as alternate members of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Discussion: Mr. Simmons stated that he agrees with the slate. He stated he agrees with the motion and the second. Mr. Simmons stated that he is impressed with Gardner Young. He stated that Mr. Young has been alternate for 5 years and Mr. Rathbun is a man with tremendous background and experience in Stonington. Mr. Simmons stated that Harry Boardson brings a young perspective of someone who has actually appeared before Planning and Zoning and Harry Martin brings a wealth of background and experience on business and business related issues. Mr. Crouse stated that they all did well in the interviews. He stated he was really impressed with Mr. Rathbun and that he hit the nail on the head with what Stonington is and what Stonington can become and still remain its character but develop. Mr. Crouse stated that Harry Boardson impressed him especially when he reached out to the neighbors to get his project done. Mr. Crouse stated that Gardner Young has a lot of experience on the board and he is probably the elder statesmen of the alternates. Mr. Spellman stated that Mr. Rathbun was impressive. He stated that Mr. Gardner Young has earned a full appointment. Mr. Spellman stated that we have two high quality people to put on as alternates to develop for the future. Mr. Crouse stated that talking to the other commission members they like the alternate moving up situation because it is a difficult commission to just jump in and this way you are grooming people for the future. The motion was 3-0 in favor of the appointments. Mr. Spellman stated he wanted to have a motion from the Board and have a proclamation made for both in recognition of Mr. Ben Tamsky and Mr. Robert Mercer for loyal service to the Town of Stonington in the very difficult assignment in Planning and Zoning. Mr. Crouse stated that he concurs. Mr. Simmons also agreed.

(4) Comments from the Public

None

(5) Comments from the Selectmen

None

(6) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Kristine Bell.
Recording Secretary

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