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October 14, 2015

The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a special meeting on this date at the Stonington Police Department at 6:00 p.m. Present were First Selectman George Crouse, Selectman Rob Simmons and Selectman Michael Spellman. Also present were members of the public and press.

(1) Call to Order

Mr. Crouse called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

(2) Comments from the Public

None

(3) Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Mr. Spellman and voted unanimously to approve the August 26, 2015 Board of Selectmen special meeting minutes.

(4) Correspondence

- Mr. Crouse took in correspondence from Blunt White, Chairman of the Economic Development Commission asking the Board of Selectmen to request that the Planning and Zoning Commission act without delay on POCD Initial Task 10.2.10, which reads "create a Heritage Mill (HM) zone for historic mill sites".
- Mr. Crouse took in correspondence from the Planning and Zoning Department regarding a Regulation Amendment for the rewrite of the Town's Subdivision Regulations to provide clarification, conformance to State Statutes, and consistency with the Town's Technical Standard.
- Mr. Crouse took in correspondence from the Planning and Zoning Department regarding a Regulation Amendment to allow medical and/or nursing facilities, clinics for prospective occupants/residents of Congregate Living Facilities.
- Mr. Crouse took in correspondence from James Leigh expressing his interest in serving on the Wild and Scenic Rivers Committee.
- Mr. Crouse took in correspondence from David Moore expressing his interest in serving on the Wild and Scenic Rivers Committee.
- Mr. Crouse took in correspondence from Fred Wagner expressing his interest in serving on the Wild and Scenic Rivers Committee.
- Mr. Crouse took in correspondence from Mike Banker expressing his interest in serving on the Wild and Scenic Rivers Committee.
- Mr. Crouse took in correspondence from Denise Poyer from the Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association advising the town that there are only 2 spots open on the Wild and Scenic Rivers Committee.
- Mr. Crouse took in correspondence from Henri Gourd expressing his interest in serving on the Police Commission.

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(5) Resignations

Mystic Harbor Management Commission

A motion was made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Mr. Spellman and voted unanimously to accept the resignation of Donald Procko from the Mystic River Management Commission. A motion was made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Mr. Spellman and voted unanimously to send a letter of thanks to Mr. Procko.

Commission on Aging

A motion was made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Mr. Spellman and voted unanimously to accept the resignation of Barbara Currier to the Commission on Aging. A motion was made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Mr. Spellman and voted unanimously to send a letter of thanks to Ms. Currier.

(6) Set Call for Special Town Meeting to consider and vote on a resolution to approve the renewal of lease between the Town of Stonington and the Stonington Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Inc.

Mr. Crouse read the following resolution:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 3-3 of the Charter, the Board of Selectmen calls a Special Town Meeting for Monday, October 26, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the Stonington High School, 176 South Broad St., Pawcatuck, CT, to consider and act upon resolutions as outlined in the Notice of Special Town Meeting which will be attached to the Minutes of this meeting as Appendix "A", which Notice is hereby approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to adopt the resolution.

The Open Door Baptist Church Request for Building Permit Application Fee Waivers

A motion was made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Mr. Spellman and voted unanimously to approve the request from the Ken Swain, Deacon of The Open Door Church to waive the building application permit fees in the amount of $4,402.00

Clarification of the Name and Membership of the West Broad Street School Advisory Committee

Mr. Spellman stated that he spoke with the new chairman, Mr. Sartor, and he wanted the committee charged. He stated to let this be reflected in a motion to fully explore all options/uses for West Broad Street School following the removal of the third and fourth grades and completion of current K-12 School Building Committee project. Mr. Spellman stated that completion of duties will include advise and recommendations to the Board of Selectmen under whose authority it operates. He stated that reaffirming the board members as appointed are Bill Sternberg, John Bolduc, Lance Hamiliton, Ashley Gillece, Paul Sartor, Dan Oliverio, Kevin Burns, the liaison from the Board of Selectmen being myself, the Board of Education being Alisa Morrison. Mr. Crouse stated that the she is on the Permanent Committee to

Study the Needs and Use of Town Owned Buildings and we haven't gotten someone from the Board of Education. Mr. Crouse stated that if Mr. Todisco wants to be on it he is eligible. Mr. Spellman asked Mr. Crouse if he wanted to appoint her to that. Mr. Crouse stated yes. Mr. Spellman stated that if that is what Mr. Crouse wants, he has no problem with that. Mr. Spellman stated that they could put an additional member from the Board of Ed. He stated that the more expertise the better. Mr. Spellman stated that would charge Chairman Todisco to appoint himself or another board member. A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to reaffirm the appointment of these members and officially name the committee as the West Broad Street School Advisory Committee.

Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Resolution

A motion was made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Mr. Spellman and voted unanimously to adopt the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security Resolution.

(7) Comments from the Public

Mr. Don Maranell stated that the tax abatement for Maritime Drive needs to go to special town meeting. He also stated that it is a disservice to the town that the town meetings are not published in The Day and only The Westerly Sun.

(8) Comments from the Selectmen

- Mr. Spellman stated that a letter of condolence regarding the death of Jenny Contois of Colchester should be sent to his family.
- Mr. Simmons stated that a letter of condolence regarding the death of Nick Reardon should be sent to his family.

  A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to send letters of condolence to Ms. Contois's and Mr. Reardon's families.
- Mr. Crouse gave Mr. Simmons and Mr. Spellman a letter outlining the responsibilities of an ombudsman. Mr. Crouse that the Selectmen would discuss it further at the next meeting.

(9) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:19 p.m

Kristine Bell
Recording Secretary