March 9, 2016 **DRAFT**

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 Rob Simmons and Selectman Michael Spellman.

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(1) Call to order
Mr. Simmons called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

(2) Pledge of Allegiance

(3) Comments from the Public
None

(4) Approval of the Minutes
A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to approve the February 24, 2016 Board of Selectmen special meeting minutes.

(5) Correspondence

- Mr. Simmons took in correspondence from Jason Vincent, Director of Planning confirming the Towns compliance with section 8-23 of the CT. General Statutes concerning adoption of the Plan of Conservation and Development at least once every ten years. The current POCD was adopted May 7, 2015.
- Mr. Simmons took in correspondence from Marianne Browning regarding the #10 SEAT bus thanking the First Selectman for his interest in seeing this service to the community continued.

(6) Appointments
Economic Development Commission

- A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to appoint Jennifer Ansay to the Economic Development Commission.
- A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to accept applications from Daniel Oliverio and Wendy Wilbert for the K-12 Building Committee.
- A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to accept the offer from Keith Chapman as a Public Work's Consultant.
- A motion was made by Mr. Spellman, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to accept the application from Mark Dupont to serve on the Economic Development Commission.

(7) New Business
Expanding the K-12 Building committee from 9 to 10 regular members and 2 alternates
A motion was made by Mr. Spellman and seconded by Mr. Simmons to approve the expansion of this committee.
Yarn Bombing Lamp posts
A motion was made by Mr. Spellman and seconded by Mr. Simmons to approve the request from the Ocean Community Chamber of Commerce to coordinate

yarn bombing (an art form) of lamp and sign posts throughout downtown into Pawcatuck. This would take place May 27 and last through the end of August.

Shellfish Commission Patrol boat

A motion was made by Mr. Spellman and seconded by Mr. Simmons to approve the bid award to Ocean House Marina Inc. of $33,265 for a new patrol boat. This was the only proposal received in response to the RFP and met all requirements. John Swenarton of the Shellfish Commission spoke in support of this proposal and discussed with the Board dockage which would result in no cost to the Town. He thanked Don Murphy as being the key to the success of this acquisition.

Lifetime Achievement Awards

Mr. Spellman made a motion to submit a Lifetime Achievement Award to Peter W. Rotella, Esq. and congratulate him for serving as the State as an Officer of the Court and the Nation in uniform and for 20 years of service to the local community. The motion was seconded by Mr. Simmons.

Mr. Simmons made a motion to submit a Lifetime Achievement Award to Michael James Hunter Blair and congratulate him for living the American dream and giving of his time and talent to the betterment of the community. The motion was seconded by Mr. Spellman.

(8) Executive Session

At this time, 7:29 P.M., Mr. Spellman made a motion, seconded by Mr. Simmons to enter Executive Session with William O'Connell a representative from CIRMA and Jim Sullivan, Finance Director to discuss the status of two pending heart and hypertension claims against the Town. The Executive Session was closed at 7:46 P.M. and the Regular Meeting was reopened at 7:47 P.M.

(9)Comments from the Public

Don Maranell spoke to the great number of people within the Town of Stonington that participate in local government and encouraged young residents to get involved and let their voice be heard.

A resident explained that yarn bombing is a little more detailed than it sounds.

(10) Comments from the Selectmen

Mr. Spellman and Mr. Simmons offered their deepest condolences to the family of Dorian Murray. They expressed pride in his life well lived.

(11) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Leslie Packer
Recording Secretary