

VIRTUAL ANNUAL TOWN BUDGET MEETING
April 19, 2021

First Selectman Danielle Chesebrough called the virtual Annual Town Budget Meeting of the Town of Stonington to order at 5:31 p.m. on April 19, 2021. Attending were First Selectman Danielle Chesebrough and Selectwomen June Strunk and Deb Downie.

Selectwoman Deb Downie nominated Mr. Ted Ladwig as Moderator. Being properly seconded by Selectwoman June Strunk and hearing no objections Mr. Ladwig was unanimously elected Moderator of the meeting, and Town Clerk Cynthia Ladwig served as clerk of the meeting.

There being no objection, the Moderator dispensed with reading the Call recorded immediately preceding these pages and asked for a resolution on the first item on the Call.

First Selectman Chesebrough moved and read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGAL VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF STONINGTON IN LAWFUL MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED, THAT:

“THE FOLLOWING, BEING SUFFICIENT SUM OR SUMS OF MONEY TO CARRY ON THE VARIOUS DIVISIONS OF TOWN GOVERNMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021, ALL OF WHICH HAVE BEEN APPROVED AND RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF FINANCE TO THE EXTENT OF THE AMOUNT APPEARING OPPOSITE EACH:

OFFICE OF THE SELECTMAN	\$ 1,051,514
DEPT. OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	\$ 4,617,710
DEPT. OF ASSESSMENT	\$ 362,354
DEPT. OF FINANCE	\$ 1,711,473
DEBT SERVICE	\$ 8,134,208
DEPT. OF PLANNING & LAND USE	\$ 529,780
DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 7,377,486
DEPT. OF POLICE SERVICES	\$ 6,541,226
DEPT. OF HUMAN SERVICES	\$ 1,701,865
BOARD OF EDUCATION	\$ 38,335,596
SCHEDULE C:	
LAND, BLDGS, IMPROVEMENTS & EQUIPMENT	\$ 2,773,319
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ <u>73,136,531</u>

THE BOARD OF FINANCE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 CARRIES A 23.85 MIL RATE. OF THE ABOVE BUDGET, THE AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES IS \$67,410,306.

Being properly seconded the Moderator recognized Town Clerk Cynthia Ladwig who read the following letter:

April 7, 2021

Ms. Cynthia Ladwig, Town Clerk
Stonington Town Hall
Stonington, CT 06378

Dear Ms. Ladwig:

The Board of Selectmen at its meeting held on April 7, 2021, voted to set the Annual Town Budget Meeting for Monday, April 19, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be held virtually.

The Board also voted to send the first item on the Annual Town Budget Meeting called for April 19, 2021 to referendum. The Board set Tuesday, April 27, 2021 for the date of the Referendum to be held in the following voting places between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

First & Third Districts	Stonington Fire Station, 100 Main St., Stonington
Second District	Former Pawcatuck Middle School, 40 Field St., Pawcatuck
Fourth & Fifth Districts	B.F. Hoxie- Mystic Fire Dept., 34 Broadway, Mystic

The wording for the question will be as follows:

"SHALL THE TOWN OF STONINGTON MAKE APPROPRIATIONS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$73,136,531. FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2021?"

The Adjourned Annual Town Budget meeting will reconvene virtually at 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact this office.

Warm regards,
/s/ Danielle Chesebrough
First Selectman

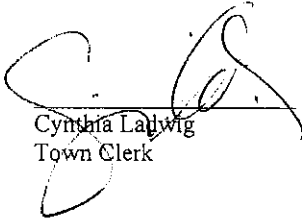
cc: Registrars of Voters

The Moderator explained how residents could join the meeting to comment via the WebEx link or dialing in on their phone and announced that since the budget has been sent to referendum by the Board of Selectmen, there would be no vote on the resolution and opened the floor to discussion. Hearing no discussion, the Moderator recognized Town Clerk Cynthia Ladwig to explain eligibility to vote in Referendums.

The Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m. to reconvene virtually on April 27, 2021 at 8:30 p.m.

/s/ Cynthia Ladwig
Clerk of the Meeting

Received for record this 20th day of April, 2021.


Cynthia Ladwig
Town Clerk