January 31, 2019

The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a special joint meeting with the Capital Improvement Program Committee on this date at the Stonington Police Department at 8:30 a.m. Present were First Selectman Rob Simmons, Selectwoman Jocelyn Kepple and Selectman John Prue. Also, present were members of the public and press. Selectwoman Kepple departed the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

(1) Call to Order

Mr. Simmons called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

- (2) Pledge of Allegiance
- (3) Comments from the Public
 - Ms. Susan Hibbard from the Climate Change Task Force asked the Board to support the item regarding Sea Level/Coastal Adaptation Program.

(4) Capital Improvement Program FY 2019/20 – 2028/29

The following changes were made to the CIP requests:

GENERAL OPERATIONS

- Townwide Computer Upgrade as requested
- Orthophotography/Planimetric Updates as requested

POLICE SERVICES

- Fleet Upgrade as requested
- Technology Upgrade/Communication Equipment Upgrade as requested
- Police Officer Bullet Proof Vest Replacement as requested
- License Plate Reader Replacement The Board unanimously changed the priority from a C to B

ASSESOR'S DEPARTMENT

• Town Revaluation – as requested

PUBLIC WORKS: HIGHWAY

- Drainage Town Wide as requested
- Highway Equipment as requested
- Artificial Turf Replacement as requested
 The Board questioned if this item should go under the Board of Education's CIP as the Town does not oversee the maintenance of the field.
- ADA Public Works Transition Plan as requested
- Roads Pavement Major Management as requested
- Road Pavement Capital as requested
- Town Hall Parking Lot Replacement as requested
- Human Services HVAC Replacement as requested

PUBLIC WORKS: ENGINEERING

- North Stonington Road Bridge as requested
- South Anguilla Road Bridge as requested
- Stillman Ave Bridge as requested
- Washington Street Drainage Improvements as requested
- Coogan Blvd Culvert Rehabilitation as requested

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RECEIVED FOR RECONS

Lantern Hill Bridge Project – as requested

WPCA

- I & I Identification and Removal as requested
- Mystic to Borough Transfer Project as requested

The Board recessed at 10:21 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:28 a.m.

SOLID WASTE

• Roll-Off Truck – as requested

BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Vehicle for Assistant Building Official – The Board unanimously changed the priority from a C to B

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

- Community Meeting Room/Leased Space as requested
- Comprehensive Plan Update as requested
- Enterprise Technology Plan as requested
- Permit Tracking as requested
- Sea Level/Coastal Adaptation Program as requested
- Pawcatuck Waterline Loop as requested
- Pawcatuck Streetscape Route 1 as requested
- Pawcatuck Streetscape Route 2 as requested
- Pawcatuck Hurricane Barrier Study as requested
- Stillmanville Mill Environmental Assessment as requested
- Inspection Vehicle as requested
- File Retention as requested
- Office Security as requested
- Circus Lot Acquisition and Master Plan as requested
- Sidewalk Infill Rt 1 Stonington Road as requested
- Sidewalk Infill Rt 1 Bess Eaton as requested
- Sidewalk Infill Rt 1 Spruce Ridge as requested
- Sidewalk Infill Rt 1 Post Office as requested

OUTSIDE AGENCIES

- Stonington Ambulance Corp 1st Floor Remodel as requested
- Stonington Ambulance Corp Ambulance Replacement as requested
- Ocean Community YMCA Renovation/Expansion/Parking as requested
- Borough of Stonington Railroad Footbridge as requested
- Thames Valley Community Action (TVCCA) Meals on Wheels Delivery Vehicle as requested
- Stonington Free Library ADA Compliance as requested
- Stonington Historical Lighthouse Restoration as requested

(5) Comments from the Selectmen

- Mr. Prue questioned the debt structure and whether short term expenses were too high. He added that he is concerned that the Town is encumbering future budgets in this budget cycle.
- Mr. Simmons stated that he is concerned about two proposed Senate Bills which would impose statewide property tax and statewide motor vehicle tax to fund Towns with high tax rates in an effort to equalize all Towns. He added that if those Bills pass it would undermine the fiscal prudence shown in the Town of Stonington.

(6) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Stacey Haskell Recording Secretary