The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a special meeting on this date at the Stonington Town Hall at 3:00 p.m. Present were First Selectman Rob Simmons, Selectman John Prue and Selectwoman Jocelyn Kepple. There were no members of the public or press present.

### (1) Call to Order

Mr. Simmons called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

- (2) Pledge of Allegiance
- (3) Comments from the Public

None

#### (4) New Business

Set call for Special Town Meeting to consider and vote on:

- FIRST: To consider and vote on a resolution to rename the Town's "Permanent Committee to Study the Needs and Use of Town Public Buildings" to Stonington Public Buildings Committee.
- SECOND: To consider and vote on a resolution to adopt an Ordinance of the Town of Stonington, Connecticut, banning and/or regulating the use of plastic bags and straws.
- THIRD: To consider and vote on a resolution to adopt an Ordinance of the Town of Stonington, Connecticut, providing for a tax exemption for equipment and buildings used in the practice of farming as set forth in a certain petition to the Town dated March 22, 2019.

Mr. Simmons also 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 Thursday, April 11, 2019 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. Prue, seconded by Ms. Kepple and voted unanimously to adopt the resolution.

In discussion, Mr. Simmons stated that he would be abstaining from voting on the item regarding farming at the Special Town Meeting due to a conflict of interest as his family members own a farm.

With no further discussion, the motion carried.

#### (5) Comments from the Public

None

#### (6) Comments from the Selectmen

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- Mr. Simmons stated that there are two commendations he would like to present at a future board meeting.
- Ms. Kepple stated that the move into Deans Mill and West Vine Street schools went very well.
- Mr. Prue requested a further breakdown of information regarding the impact the exemption would have on the Town.

## (7) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

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## RESOLUTION TO CALL A SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 3-3 of the Charter, the Board of Selectmen calls a Special Town Meeting for Thursday, April 11, 2019 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.

Signed and dated this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2019 by the Stonington Board of Selectmen.

Robert R. "Rob" Simmons, First Selectman

John Prue, Selectman

Tocelyn Kepple, Belectwoman

# NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF STONINGTON

The Special Town Meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in Town Meetings of the Town of Stonington, Connecticut, will be held at Stonington High School, US Route 1, 176 S Broad St., Pawcatuck, CT 06379 on

# Thursday, April 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

To consider, discuss, and vote upon the following.

FIRST: To consider and vote on a resolution to rename the Town's "Permanent Committee to Study the Needs and Use of Town Public Buildings" to Stonington Public Buildings Committee.

SECOND: To consider and vote on a resolution to adopt an Ordinance of the Town of Stonington, Connecticut, banning and/or regulating the use of plastic bags and straws. A copy of the complete text of the proposed Ordinance revisions is on file in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

THIRD: To consider and vote on a resolution to adopt an Ordinance of the Town of Stonington, Connecticut, providing for a tax exemption for equipment and buildings used in the practice of farming as set forth in a certain petition to the Town dated March 22, 2019. A copy of the complete text of the petition and proposed Ordinance is on file in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

At this hearing electors and residents may appear and be heard.

All Ordinances and amendments thereto shall become effective following approval by Town Meeting and fifteen (15) days after publication in a newspaper having a substantial circulation within the Town of Stonington.

Dated at Stonington, Connecticut this 4th day of April, 201)

Robert R (Rob" Simmons, First Selectman

John Prue, Selectman

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