ANNUAL BUDGET TOWN MEETING May 1, 2017

First Selectman Rob Simmons called the Annual Budget Town Meeting of the Town of Stonington to order at 7:00 p.m. on May 1, 2017 at the Stonington High School auditorium. In attendance were First Selectman Rob Simmons, Selectman Michael Spellman and Selectwoman Kate Rotella.

Mr. Glenn Frishman nominated Mr. Ted Ladwig as Moderator being properly seconded by Selectman Michael Spellman 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 Simmons 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, BE AND HEREBY ARE APPROPRIATED FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2017, 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	\$ 900,804
DEPT. OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	\$ 3,937,371
DEPT. OF ASSESSMENT	\$ 314,571
DEPT. OF FINANCE	\$ 2,433,383
DEBT SERVICE	\$ 6,364,705
DEPT. OF PLANNING & LAND USE	\$ 399,841
DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 6,463,167
DEPT. OF POLICE SERVICES	\$ 5,387,536
DEPT. OF HUMAN SERVICES	\$ 1,322,834
BOARD OF EDUCATION	\$ 37,037,483
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LAND, BLDGS, IMPROVEMENTS & EQUIPMENT	\$ 3,034,785
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 67,596,480

The Board of Finance's recommended budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018 carries a 22.98 mil rate.

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

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

Dear Ms. Ladwig:

The Board of Selectmen at its meeting held on April 24, 2017, voted to set the Annual Town Budget Meeting for Monday, May 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at the Stonington High School, 176 South Broad St., Pawcatuck.

The Board also voted to send the first item on the Annual Town Budget Meeting called for May 1, 2017 to referendum. The Board set Tuesday, May 9, 2017 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
Second District
Second District
Fourth & Fifth Districts
Stonington Fire Station, 100 Main St., Stonington
Pawcatuck Fire Station, 33 Liberty St., Pawcatuck
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 \$67,596,480 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2017?"

The Adjourned Annual Town Budget meeting will reconvene at 8:30 p.m. at the Stonington Town Hall, 152 Elm St., Stonington on Tuesday, May 9, 2017.

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

All the best, /s/ Robert R. "Rob" Simmons First Selectman

Cc: Registrars of Voters

The Moderator explained 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 declared the meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m. to reconvene on May 9, 2017 at the Stonington Town Hall at 8:30 p.m.

/s/ Cynthia Ladwig Clerk of the Meeting

Received for record this 2nd day of May, 2017.

Cynthia Ladwig Town Clerk