

May 8, 2019

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 Selectwoman Jocelyn Kepple. Also, present were members of the public and press. Selectman John Prue was absent.

**(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**

- Ms. Jessica Morrissey commented on several topics including but not limited to the use of West Broad Street School, voter turnout, Shellfish Commission meeting regarding Amtrak's vegetation maintenance and the Stonington Facilities Committee.

**(4) Approval of the Minutes**

- A motion was made by Ms. Kepple, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to approve the April 24, 2019 regular meeting minutes.

**(5) Correspondence**

- None

**(6) Appointment/Reappointment/Resignation**

**Appointment – Plan of Conservation and Development Implementation Committee**

A motion was made by Ms. Kepple, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to appoint Ms. Frances Hoffman to the Plan of Conservation and Development Implementation Committee.

**(7) Old Business**

**Acceptance of Eastern Half of Nautilus Way and Latitude Circle**

Mr. Simmons stated that the developer requested that the Town accept the eastern half of Nautilus Way and Latitude Circle for the subdivision which was approved by Planning and Zoning in 2014. He added that the item had been reviewed and approved by the Town Attorney.

A motion was made by Ms. Kepple, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to approve the acceptance of the eastern half of Nautilus Way and Latitude Circle.

**(8) New Business**

**Discussion – Permit Fee Waiver**

The Building Department requested a permit fee waiver for the demolition of 75 Stillman Ave as the Town is overseeing the project and the funds would be dispersed from the Town to the Town.

A motion was made by Ms. Kepple, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to approve the permit fee waiver in the amount of \$1,002.00.

**Discussion – Waste Removal Proposal**

Ms. Scot Deledda, Town Engineer, gave an overview of the process for waste disposal at 75 Stillman Avenue as the demolition has been completed stating that the cost will depend on what type of material is being disposed. Mr. Harley Lanford, a Licensed Environmental Professional of Tighe & Bond has been retained to characterize the demolition waste onsite. Mr. Deledda stated that he is in the process of reviewing proposals with a cost reflecting the classification of the debris being taken away from the site.

Mr. Simmons stated that the EPA had created a temporary delay as their system did not keep documents regarding the property and have asked the Town to recreated the documents associated with the building.

Mr. Deledda is the process of compiling the documentation with the goal of submitting it to the EPA during the week of May 13<sup>th</sup>.

A motion was made by Ms. Kepple, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to authorize the First Selectman to be prepared to accept the bid for removal of the waste material based on the forthcoming recommendation from the team working on the issue.

**Discussion – Municipal Drainage Easement on Johnson Street**

The Planning and Zoning Commission approved a 3-lot subdivision of the property located at Johnson Street in Pawcatuck with a stipulation that a drainage easement to the Town be filed over the existing draining course and referenced in the individual deeds. The easement was reviewed and accepted by the Town Attorney

Attorney Nicholas Kepple was present and spoke on behalf of his client Linehan Custom Homes. Mr. Scot Deledda, Town Engineer, spoke regarding the easement.

A motion was made by Ms. Kepple, seconded by Mr. Simmons to approve the drainage easement on Johnson Street. The motion passed with Mr. Simmons voting in favor and Ms. Kepple abstaining.

A motion was made by Ms. Kepple, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to add the CDBG Small Cities Program Resolution and Campbell Grain Company contract discussion.

**Resolution – CDBG Small Cities Resolution**

Mr. Simmons stated that this resolution authorizes the First Selectman to sign and file the Small Cities Community Development Block Grant.

A motion was made by Ms. Kepple, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to approve the CDBG Small Cities Resolution.

**Discussion – Campbell Grain Property Contract**

Mr. Simmons stated that the contract is between the Town and Azzinaro, Larson Architects which would permit the company to prepare schematic designs and 3D modeling related to the Campbell Grain Property to show to potential investors.

The funding will come from the Economic Development Commission and from a grant given by the Washington Trust Company.

A motion was made by Ms. Kepple, seconded by Mr. Simmons and voted unanimously to authorize the First Selectman to sign the contract between the Town of Stonington and Azzinaro, Larson Architects.

**(9) Comments from the Public**

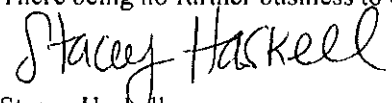
- Ms. Jessica Morrissey had further comments on various topics similar to her earlier comments.

**(10) Comments from the Selectmen**

- Mr. Simmons stated that the budget has been approved the past five years which is due in part to the dedication and collaboration of the Boards of Selectmen, Finance and Education. Mr. Simmons stated that he attended the CT Tourism Conference in Hartford and that tourism is now the eighth largest employer in the State of CT. Stonington is well positioned to take advantage of that growth.

**(11) Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Stacey Haskell". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Stacey Haskell

Recording Secretary