November 22, 2016

The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a special meeting on this date at the Stonington High School at 7:00 p.m. Present were First Selectman Rob Simmons, Selectman Mike Spellman and Selectwoman Kate Rotella. Also present were members of the public.

(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

None

(4) Approval of the Minutes

A motion was made by Mrs. Rotella, seconded by Mr. Spellman and voted unanimously to approve the November 9, 2016 Board of Selectmen regular meeting minutes.

(5) Correspondence

- Mr. Simmons took in correspondence from Dennis Unites expressing his interest in serving on the Climate Change Task Force.
- Mr. Simmons took in correspondence from Christopher Delaney expressing his interest in serving on the Architectural Design Review Board.

(6) Resignation

Waterfront Commission

The Board accepted the resignation of Don Kluberdanz from the Waterfront Commission.

(7) New Business

Stonington Garden Club Request for the Use of the Town Dock for the Garden by the Sea Tour

A motion was made by Mrs. Rotella, seconded by Mr. Spellman and voted unanimously to approve the request.

(8) Comments from the Public

None

(10)Comments from the Selectmen

Mr. Simmons stated that we aware that are fisherman have been concerned about the monuments set aside by the President and how that may affect their fishing. He stated that the latest concern has to do with a wind energy farm in the Hudson Canyon in prime squid fishing grounds off of the New York coast. Mr. Simmons stated that apparently the wind farm project is of particular interest to Governor Cuomo but 50% of it is in the prime squid grounds and they have asked if we would be willing to write a letter similar to what was prepared by Senators Whitehouse and Reed suggesting that they move a portion of it out of the squid grounds where the depth of the water is adequate for a wind farm. Mr. Simmons stated that the second item that he would like to bring to the Board's attention is an article by Brooke White entitled "A Smoother Process Aids the Blight Fight". He stated that he called her and said that the house on North Stonington Road which has been the subject of a blight complaint has been taken down.

(11) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Kristine Bell

Recording Secretary