

**Stonington Facilities Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Stonington Human Services, Pawcatuck, CT  
Tuesday, September 10, 2019  
7:00 pm  
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The Stonington Facilities Committee held a regular meeting on this date, Tuesday, September 10, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. at Stonington Human Services.

Members present were Paul Sartor, Chairman, Don Maranell, Alisa Morrison, Jean Fiore, Bill King and John Prue, Board of Selectmen liaison. Late arrival was Chris Donahue, Vice Chair; at 7:14 p.m. Also, present were Sandy Tisiere, Recording Secretary and interested citizens

Member absent: Sandy Grimes

1. **Call to Order**

Chairman Paul Sartor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.  
Jean Fiore and Bill King were seated as alternates.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

The group joined together for the Pledge of Alliance.

3. **Comments from the public**

No public comment.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the regular meeting of August 13, 2019 was submitted for approval with the two amendments with changes the year in the title was August 13, 2018 should be August, 13, 2019 and in Item #4. Approval of Minutes, the change of Billy to Bill in reference to "Bill King abstained."

A motion was made by Don Maranell, and seconded by Alisa Morrison to approve the August 13, 2019 minutes as amended.

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

The committee concurred typos in future minutes be changed without the need for voting on them as it does not affect the actual minutes.

5. **Correspondence**

1. An email was received from Phylcia Adams regarding the Senior Housing Proposal presented at the August 13, 2019 meeting.
2. An email was received from Don Benoit with his suggestions for the use of the Old Mystic Building.

6. **Old Mystic School District Building**

• **Updates**

The committee discussed the use of the Old Mystic building as a business incubator. Don Maranell will check into the parameters of how business incubators work. The committee discussed the date of when the building will be turned over to the town; there seems to be some different dates as when this will happen. The committee talked about upgrades needed at the Old Mystic building such as asbestos mitigation and the septic system. The committee discussed what could be done about the failing septic system such as what would be the cost of sewer installation, the cost to replace the septic system and to what capacity would it be allowed. Alisa Morrison will contact Scot Deledda, Town Engineer, Town of Stonington about the cost of a septic system and the cost of a sewer system. The interest of the Old Mystic Fire Department was discussed. The committee concurred if the Old Mystic Fire Department still had interest, they could present a proposal to the committee.

Paul Sartor also talked about an email from Roland J. Broussard, Special Projects Director, Elderly Housing Development and Operations Corporation which manages the Stonington Arms. Mr. Broussard said in his email his agency would have an interest in the Old Mystic property. The committee concurred if this agency has an interest in the property, a representative can contact the committee for more information and/or bring a proposal to the committee.

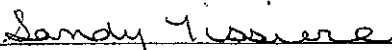
• **Stonington Human Services Proposal**

Leanne Theodore did not attend the meeting so this item wasn't discussed.

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- Next Steps
  1. There will be an Open House on October 5, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
  2. Paul Sartor will do the press release and John Prue will provide a yard sign.
  3. There will need to be a table available, the easel and notecards.
- 7. WBSS
  - Comte discussion: Updates on St. Michael's Lease Negotiation  
This item is still in discussion between St. Michael and the town.
  - "Suggested Uses" Spread Sheet  
This item will be removed as it is no longer relevant.
  - Next Steps  
There aren't any next steps until the status of the St. Michael lease is determined.
- 8. New Business  
There wasn't any new business discussed.
- 9. Old Business  
There wasn't any old business discussed.
- 10. Comments from the Public  
Don Fiore asked what is happening with the fourth district voting hall in Mystic. John Prue told him there is a big push to get that site as additional municipal parking for downtown Mystic. John Prue continued saying there is a tremendous anomaly in the Mystic River causing unusual flooding at normal high tide and the fourth district voting hall is half under water so there is a desire to use the hall for other things.
- 11. Comments from the Committee  
Paul Sartor told the committee Dr. Van Riley, Superintendent, Stonington Public Schools, had given him a tour of the new Stonington Public Schools District Office (the former Pawcatuck Middle School). Paul Sartor said one great thing about the new use of the building is the cafeteria that can be a meeting space for the community and will be a tremendous resource for the town.
- 12. Adjourn  
Don Maranell made a motion and Chris Donahue seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Sandy Tisiere, Recording Secretary