

ANNUAL BUDGET TOWN MEETING

April 29, 2015

First Selectman George Crouse, Jr. called the Annual Budget Town Meeting of the Town of Stonington to order at 7:00 p.m. on April 29, 2015 at the Stonington High School auditorium. In attendance were First Selectman George Crouse, Jr. and Selectmen Rob Simmons and Michael Spellman.

Selectman Michael Spellman nominated Mr. Ted Ladwig as Moderator being properly seconded by Selectman Rob Simmons and being no objections Mr. Ladwig was unanimously elected Moderator of the meeting, and Cynthia Ladwig served as clerk.

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 Crouse 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, 2015, 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	\$	918,797
DEPT. OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	\$	3,728,034
DEPT. OF FINANCE	\$	1,820,772
DEBT SERVICE	\$	5,135,389
DEPT. OF PLANNING & LAND USE	\$	411,081
DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS	\$	6,283,868
DEPT. OF POLICE SERVICES	\$	4,964,367
DEPT. OF HUMAN SERVICES	\$	1,140,242
BOARD OF EDUCATION	\$	35,355,347
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LAND, BLDGS, IMPROVEMENTS & EQUIPMENT	\$	1,460,561
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$	61,218,458

The Board of Finance's recommended budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 carries a 21.32 mil rate.

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

April 21, 2015

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

Dear Ms. Ladwig:

The Board of Selectmen at its meeting held on April 21, 2015, voted to set the Annual Town Budget Meeting for Wednesday, April 29, 2015 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 April 29, 2015 to referendum. The Board set Tuesday, May 12, 2015 for the date of the Referendum to be held in the following voting places between the hours of 6 a.m. and 8 p.m.

First & Third Districts	Stonington Fire Station, 100 Main St., Stonington
Second District	Pawcatuck Fire Station, 33 Liberty St., Pawcatuck
Fourth & Fifth Districts	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 \$61,218,458 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2015?"

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 12, 2015.

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

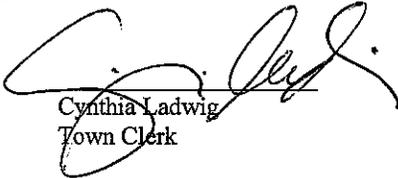
Sincerely,
/s/ George Crouse, Jr.
First Selectman

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. Speaking on the budget were Selectmen Simmons and Spellman and First Selectman Crouse. They commended the Department Heads for bringing forth a good budget proposal. Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m. to reconvene on May 12, 2015 at the Stonington Town Hall at 8:30 p.m.

/s/ Cynthia Ladwig
Clerk of the Meeting

Received for record this 30th day of April, 2015.


Cynthia Ladwig
Town Clerk