

Town of North Stonington

Board of Selectmen

February 18 2014

New Town Hall Conference Room

        Regular Meeting

                                          7:00 PM

**MINUTES**

Call to Order -7:02 PM with Selectmen Mullane, Donahue and Testa present

Public Comments and Questions-None presented

Minutes-A motion was made by Selectman Donahue and seconded by Selectman Mullane to approve the minutes of February 4, 2014, carrying. 3-0

A motion was made by Selectman Donahue and seconded by Selectman Mullane to approve the minutes of February 11, 2014, carrying. 3-0

Correspondence  
Budget Review FY 2014-15

* NSVFC-President Bob Shabunia, Mark Perkins, Sr., Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Chief Charles Steinhart, V made a budget presentation. There was general discussion with the Board.
* NSAA-President Brian Elias made a budget presentation. There was general discussion with the Board.

# Old Business-

1. Tribal Issues-Acknowledgement/Annexation Issues-Time is passing and a decision should be made any day by BIA on the new acknowledgment regulations which are not go for North Stonington, Kent or the State of Connecticut

2. Subdivision Review and Planning and Zoning Issues and

Zoning Regulations Revisions-No report

3. Permanent School Building Project Committee

A. Permanent School Planning and Building Committee Projects

1. Other Projects for FY 2013-14 and FY 2014-15-No listing available to date

4. Hewitt property

A. Committee Report-None

B. Dam Repairs-Re-Engineering-Bid package is being finalized

5. New Center for Emergency Services-Contract with designers with USDA for approval

6. NSVFC Engine 2 Fire Truck Refurbishment status-On schedule and within budgets

7. Boombridge Road Bridge- Design-Will check on updated schedule

8. Grant applications/administration

Water Study Ex. 92 X I95-Consultants are working on the project

2014 STEAP Grant-Possible Project Candidates and Application-Discussion on expansion of Village Water System

9. Authorities, Boards, Committees, and Commissions appointment-No Action

Permanent School Planning and Building Committee Water Pollution Control Authority

Cable TV Advisory Committee Economic Development Commission & Alt

Eastern Regional Mental Health Board, Inc. Inland Wetlands Commission

Conservation Commission

Recreation Commission

10. Flood Damage Status Report/Repairs Update/ Action Items

Town Hall brook parking lot retaining walls-Contractor still unable to work do to weather and water conditions

11. Budget 2013-2014

Animal Control Officer Expenses-$3,500-No action

Tribal Acknowledgment-Additional Appropriation-No action

12. Special Town Meeting-Pending draft package

Items for Future Town Meetings

Lake of Isles subdivision granting of easements to the Town

Borrowing Short Term Notes Authorization

DUI Grant Additional Appropriation-$49,975

Exempt Tax Payments of Outstanding Taxes on Open Space received by a Non-Profit Organization

New Business

1. Tax Refund(s)-None presented
2. Selectmen’s Public Communications-None
3. Town Traffic Concerns-No Discussion
4. Tax Collector Appointment/Tax Policy-Will review statutes of appointment and Union vs. Non Union requirements with town attorney.
5. Fire Department oil and Tank Removal-Item was added to the agenda with a motion by Selectman Mullane seconded by Selectman Donahue, carrying 3-0. The Town’s Attorney Rob Avena sent a letter to the Board stating that “this was a matter between the Fire Company and it Contractor” “Board of Selectmen can review any issues but he did not believe that the remaining old oil should be handled in any manner but in the manner called out for in the Contract”. “ The involvement of an town employee possibly as a sub contractor of the private contractor engaged to complete the job is ethically problematic and is not an ideal situation….” General Discussion, no action taken.

Public Comments and Questions-None presented

Adjournment-10:15 PM