 Town of North Stonington

Board of Selectmen

October 7, 2014

New Town Hall Conference Room

MINUTES

Call to Order-The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM with Selectmen Mullane, Donahue, and Testa present.

Public Comments and Questions-Brian Rathbun commented on his FOI complaint. Brett Mastrioanni, EDC Chairman, commented on new proposed coordinator’s position and the method of evaluating, the value of the position at the end of the year and if funding should be continued in next fiscal year’s budget.

Minutes-A motion was made by Selectman Donahue and seconded by Selectman Mullane to approve the minutes of September 30, 2014, as amended, and October 4, 2014, were tabled for corrections.

Correspondence

Boards/Commissions/Official’s Comments

Old Business

1. Hewitt Property
2. Dam Repairs and added appropriation-Mattern Construction is working on the Project.
3. Proposed School Building Project-Additional Appropriation for Study Costs

General Discussion:

* + - 1. Facilitator-General agreement to use Nick Caruso
      2. Date of next meeting-small group, one BOE member and Superintendent and one each of BOF, BOS, and Ad Hoc Committee.

Agree on Role of Facilitator

* + Help stakeholders articulate future state/vision of school
  + Help define general objective of the joint
    - Boards/Committees/Stakeholders effort.
  + Define possible approaches to achieve objective
  + Identify resources required
  + Established schedule/timeline
  + Determine how process will be funded

1. Tribal Issues – Acknowledgement/Annexation Issues – Request for added appropriation-Town comments filed with BIA,by North Stonington, Ledyard and Preston, Connecticut Delegation, Attorney General, Town of Kent and the Kent School, amount of Added Appropriation not yet known for legal costs of comments.
2. Permanent School Building Project Committee
3. Permanent School Building Committee Projects

List of Things to Do-PSPBC must re-establish the list with Board of Education

1. Status of Center for Emergency Services Project-Planning and Zoning Site Plan review is scheduled for October 9, 2014
2. Boombridge Road Bridge-Design is on Schedule
3. Grant Applications/administration

Water Study Ex 92 x I95 consultants are working on project

2014 STEAP Grant Extension of Village Water System-Grant Award/CT DPH Contract-Pending Contract from CT DPH

2015 STEAP Grant-Selectmen need to pick a project

Housing Grant-Accepting applications for housing improvements

1. Budget 2013-2014-Close Out/Transfers-None, Auditor is working in town on FY 13-14 Annual Audit Report.

Budget 2014-2015

Capital Purchase-Discussion on purchase of power rake for new skid steer for $7300 it was agreed to purchase the power rake.

1. Special Town Meeting-A motion was made by Selectman Mullane and seconded by Selectman Donahue to send the following items to a special town meeting on October 20, 2014, carrying. 3-0

A special town meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town of North Stonington, Connecticut, will be held in the New Town Hall Conference Room on 20th day, October, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. for the following purposes:

1. To hear and act upon the acceptance of two drainage easements, the road right-of-way widening strip, and a conservation easement from Green Falls Associates, Lake of Isles Road, as described on a plan dated October, 2012, with amendments the last of which is dated August 21, 2013.

2. To hear and act upon the adoption of an Ordinance allowing the Town to retain overpayments of taxes in amounts less than five ($5.00) dollars

3. To hear and act upon the adoption of an Ordinance allowing alternate members for the Board of Finance

4. To hear and act upon the adoption of an Ordinance allowing the Board of Selectmen to name, number, and renumber parcels and residences in North Stonington in accordance with Connecticut General Statute 7-148, for the purposes of public safety and identification.

5. To approve an additional appropriation, as approved by the Board of Finance for the expenditure of a STEAP Grant Award for a 1500 foot extension of the Village Water Line in the amount of $245,400 to be reimbursed by the State of Connecticut and deposited in the Town’s General Fund.

6. To hear and act upon the following resolution: Resolved, That for any vacancy that occurs on

the North Stonington Board of Finance the Board shall call a special meeting warned for that purpose to fill the unexpired term vacancy.

Dated at North Stonington, Connecticut, this 7th day of October, 2014.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Nicholas H. Mullane, II, First Selectman

Robert L. Testa, Selectman

Mark S. Donahue, Selectman

1. Preston/North Stonington collaboration-In attendance were Bob Congdon, Mike Sinko – Selectman, Lynwood Crary – Selectman, Andrew Bilodeau – Board of Finance, Mile Clancy – Redevelopment Agency Selectmen shall work on constitution and getting membership established, schedule and reporting procedures
2. Tax Policy-Tax Collector has been authorized to purchase a money bill counter and a check scanner.
3. Town Ethics Policy-Working with Town of Preston

New Business

1. Tax Refund(s)-None
2. Selectmen’s Public Communications-None

Public Comments and Questions

Adjournment -10:08 PM