

Town of  
North Stonington, Connecticut

BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
March 10, 2015

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**MINUTES**

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

**Public Comments and Questions:** First Selectman Mullane presented a gift from the Historical Society of the new book "Out of the Attic" by Dr. Tobias Goodman, book signing and slide presentation. GREAT WORK

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Selectman Donahue and seconded by Selectman Mullane to approve the minutes of March 10, 2015, carrying. 3-0

**Correspondence:**

**Boards/Commissions/Official's Comments:**

Representative Diana Urban, 43<sup>rd</sup> District -Representative Urban gave a briefing of State Budget and Aid to Cities and Towns. Very difficult for the State, the budget is too high and does not fit under the borrowing cap. At this time State Aid to Municipalities is preserved, but is no way safe from cuts at this time.

**Action Items:**

- 1. Legislative Agenda for State of Connecticut FY 2015-16-Above
- 2. Tax Refund(s) A motion to approve as presented was made by Selectman Testa and seconded by Selectman Donahue, carrying. 3-0
  - Acar Leasing \$155.10 Nicole or Anthony Capalbo \$ 25.26
  - Wayne R. Drake \$ 9.34 Philip or Alice Ezro \$ 56.87
  - Vilma Gregoropoulos \$172.42 Gordon or Jeffery Hyde \$192.33
  - Lorraine or Wesley Lebel \$ 57.16 Seventh Garden Park LTD \$836.82
- 3. Permanent School Building Committee Ad Hoc Committee Proposed Building
  - Project-Study Costs Added Appropriation for Study-No detailed list from PSPBC yet.
- 4. Tribal Acknowledgement/Annexation Issues – Executive Session-As below
- 5. Status of Center for Emergency Services Project-Committee is working to come within budget allowances. Worksheets provided to Board
  - Project Manager -Tabled
- 6. Tri-Board Meetings
  - Proposed School Building and Renovation Project – March 28, 2015, Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-Wheeler High School Media Center
- 7. North Stonington/Preston Cooperative-Looking for a diverse group of volunteers
- 8. Budget FY 2015-16-Items below are up for discussion at the State level and could present problems for Municipalities if adopted.
  - FY 2015 -16 State Aid
  - State's Registrars of Voter's Proposal
  - Resident Troopers' Program
  - Prevailing Wages

The Board reviewed the draft General Government, Redemption of Debt and Capital budgets for FY 15-16 and are in agreement to forward the following to the Board of Finance for their consideration.

Operating	\$4,697,412
Redemption of Debt	\$ 308,940
Capital	\$ 668,838

- 9. Town Historian-A motion was made by Selectman Testa and seconded by Selectman Donahue to appoint William Peterson as the Town's new Historian, carrying unanimously. 3-0 Mr. Peterson is an excellent choice.
- 10. Old Town Hall Copier Lease Renewal-Solicitation pricing was provided, and new lease will be signed with Ricoh.
- 11. Hewitt Property

Dam Repairs – Executive Session-A motion was made by Selectman Donahue and seconded by Selectman Testa to enter Executive Session at 10:26 PM to discuss the Dam Repairs and Tribal Acknowledgment, Adjourned at 10:42 PM no action, no announcements.

**New Business:**

**Reports:**

1. Permanent School Building Project Committee  
Permanent School Building Committee Projects – List of Things to Do-Budget Item (PSPBC & BOE Action)-None available
2. Boombridge Road Bridge-No new report  
Final Design Plans, 9-2015  
Advertise Bids, 10-2015  
Contract Award, Early-2016  
Start Construction, April-2016  
Complete Construction, December-2016
3. Grant Applications/Administration  
Water Study Ex 92 x 195/Sewer Study Ex 92 & 195-Provided the Scope of Work involved in the Study for Board review and comments.  
2014 STEAP Grant Extension of Village Water System  
2015 STEAP Grant-Submitted-Pending Awards  
Housing Grant Administration  
Affordable Housing
4. Affordable Housing Committee

**Public Comments and Questions:** None presented

**Adjournment:**10:43 PM