

December 12, 2007

The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a regular meeting on this day at 7:00 p.m. at the Stonington Police Station. Present were First Selectman Edward Haberek, Jr, Selectman Peter L. Balestracci and Selectman William S. Brown. Members of the public and press were also present.

(1) Call to Order

Mr. Haberek called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moment of Silence

A Moment of Silence was held in honor of Bob Granato, former P&Z Chairperson who passed away on December 9th.

**(2) Approval of Minutes-
November 28, 2007**

A motion was made by Mr. Balestracci, seconded by Mr. Brown and voted unanimously to accept the minutes as distributed.

(3) Comments from the Public

Don Sadowski commented on P&Z issues.

Ed Hart commented on the Rte 1 Corridor Process.

Gail Shea shared comments on the Rte1 Study.

(4) Appointments/Reappointments

Commission on Aging- A letter was received from Lisa Ryan requesting reappointment to the Commission on Aging. A motion was made by Mr. Balestracci, seconded by Mr. Brown and voted unanimously to reappoint Lisa Ryan to the COA.

A letter was received from Stacy Cassata requesting reappointment to the Commission on Aging. A motion was made by Mr. Balestracci, seconded by Mr. Brown and voted unanimously to reappointment Stacy Cassata to the COA.

Economic Development Commission- A letter was received from Dan Oliverio requesting appointment to the EDC. A letter was also received from Blunt White, EDC Chairman recommending Dan Oliverio as an Alternate Member and Paul Burgess as a Permanent Member. Ed Haberek also presented his letter of resignation from the EDC which was acknowledged. A motion was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Balestracci and voted unanimously to appoint Dan Oliverio to the EDC. A motion was made by Mr. Balestracci, seconded by Mr. Brown and voted unanimously to appoint Paul Burgess as a permanent member of the EDC.

Zoning Board of Appeals- A motion was made by Mr. Balestracci, seconded by Mr. Brown and voted unanimously to appoint Lynn Conway to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an Alternate member.

(5) Correspondence

Mr. Haberek acknowledged that the First Selectmen's Office has received letters and emails regarding the Route 1 Study. Letters were also received on Affordable Housing, the Revaluation Process and the Privatization of the BOE custodial/maintenance positions.

(6) Old Business- None

(7) New Business

a. Mystic Irish Parade permission

A motion was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Balestracci and unanimously voted to grant permission to the Mystic Irish Parade Committee for their St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 30, 2008.

b. Permit Fee Waiver- Mystic VFW

A letter was received by Wayne Greene, Town Building Official, requesting that the permit fee of \$25.00 for the removal of the floor mounted furnace in the Mystic VFW building be waived. A motion was made by Mr. Balestracci, seconded by Mr. Brown and voted unanimously to waive this permit fee.

c. Resolution authorizing the First Selectman to modify a grant application with the Department of Social Services.

A motion was made by Mr. Balestracci, seconded by Mr. Brown and voted unanimously to approve the following Resolution:

“RESOLVED that Edward Haberek, First Selectman, is hereby authorized to make, execute and approve on behalf of the Town, any and all contracts and amendments and to execute and approve on behalf of the Town, other instruments, a part of or incident to Project No. 6100-03-0342, Contract No. 137-NF-01, Renovations and Improvements at Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center, such contracts and amendments effective until otherwise ordered by the Board of Selectmen.”

d. Resolution adopting a policy to support non discrimination agreements and warantees required under the Connecticut General Statutes.

A motion was made by Mr. Brown, seconded by Mr. Balestracci and voted Unanimously to approve the following Resolution:

“RESOLVED that the Town of Stonington hereby adopts as its policy to support the nondiscrimination agreements and warranties required under Conn. Gen. Stat. 4a-60 (a)(1) and 4a-60a(a)(1), as amended in State of Connecticut Public Act 07-245 and Sections 9(a)(1) and 10(a)(1) of Public Act 07-142, as those statutes may be amended from time to time.”

(8) Project Updates

Mr. Haberek noted that this item would be a new addition to the BOS agendas. He would like to present updates of various Town projects to keep the public abreast of progress/setbacks. He commented on the Pawcatuck (Donahue) Park, Pawcatuck Streetscape, and the Mystic Streetscape.

(9) Comments from the Public

Comments were made by Don Sadowski, Gail Shea, Fran O'Neil, Vinnie Faulise, Bill Sternberg, Selectman Balestracci and Selectman Brown.

(10) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Ramey, Recording Secretary

