

May 12, 2010

The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a regular meeting on this date at the Stonington Police Station at 7:00 p.m. Present were First Selectman Edward Haberek, Selectman George Crouse and Selectman Glee McAnanly. Also present were members of the public.

**(1) Call to Order**

Mr. Haberek called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**(2) Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to approve the April 28, 2010 minutes as distributed. A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to approve the April 30, 2010 minutes as distributed.

**(3) Comments from the Public**

- Mr. Vincent Faulise asked the status of the Ambulance Service Bill.
- Ms. Gail Shea spoke at length regarding her zoning matter.

**(4) Correspondence**

- Mr. Haberek took in correspondence from Karen Weiss, Sanitarian, listing a number of health department activities with tabulated frequencies in April, 2010.
- Mr. Haberek took in correspondence from Blunt White, Chairman of the Economic Development Commission recommending the appointments of Nat Arata and Peter Glankoff.
- Mr. Haberek took in correspondence from Marshall Chiaraluce regarding his interest in serving on the Southeastern Connecticut Water Advisory Board.

**(5) Appointments/Reappointments**

**Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission**

A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to appoint Jon Mitchell to the Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission as requested in his letter under date of April 7, 2010.

**(6) Old Business**

**Wooden Boat Show**

An application was received from the Wooden Boat Show requesting permission to use the 4<sup>th</sup> District Voting Hall Parking Lot for overflow parking for the Wooden Boat Show to be held from June 24, 2010 to June 27, 2010. A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to approve the use of the 4<sup>th</sup> District Voting Hall Parking Lot.

**Stonington Land Trust Fee Waiver**

This item was tabled until the next Board of Selectmen's meeting.

**(7) New Business**

**A Child's Garden Montessori School**

Mr. Haberek presented a letter from Kelly Ascioilla, Executive Director of A Child's Garden Montessori School requesting an abatement of taxes. Mr. Haberek also presented a memo from Marsha Standish, Tax Assessor further outlining the issues surrounding the taxes. Kelly

Asciolla was present and explained that while the school's bylaws were being updated, the Board of Directors had inadvertently omitted a paragraph which is paraphrased as follows: "Upon the dissolution of the Corporation [A Child's Garden Montessori], the Board of Directors, shall...dispose of all the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such a manner, or to such organization or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1954..."

**Discussion:** Mr. Crouse asked if the school has fulfilled all the requirements of the town. Ms. Asciolla stated that the school has met all of the requirements. A motion was made by Mr. Haberek, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to waive the outstanding taxes.

#### **Spellman Park Playground Bid Award**

Mr. Haberek presented a letter from Maryanna Stevens, Director of Finance, recommending that the Board of Selectmen award the bid for the installation of a fence at Spellman Park Playground to the lowest bidder, Gateway Fence and Guardrail Co. A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to award the Spellman Park Playground Bid to Gateway Fence and Guardrail Co.

**Discussion:** Joe Mendonca, Recreation Director, briefly explained where the new fence would be installed.

#### **Donahue Park – Site Improvements Bid Award**

Mr. Haberek presented a letter from Lawrence Sullivan, Town Engineer, recommending that the Board of Selectmen award the bid for the Donahue Park Site Improvements to H.J. O'Keefe Building and Site Development. A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to award the bid to H.J. O'Keefe Building and Site Development.

#### **(8) Projects Update**

Mr. Haberek stated that Yankee Gas is finishing the work on Route 1 and that new STEAP money may be available to extend the sidewalks in Pawcatuck. They just walked the semi-final walk yesterday of the Mystic Streetscape Phase I. Phase II of the Mystic Streetscape has been awarded to GEG and it will be started next Monday. Mr. Haberek also stated that the new lights are starting to be put up in Mystic.

#### **(9) Comments from Public**

- Ms. O'Neill asked if there was going to be a moratorium on ripping up the roads for ten years once they're done. Ms. O'Neill also asked when the lights would be installed in Pawcatuck. She further asked if there was any granite saved when they drilled for the sewers.
- Ms. Shea asked when the paving date is set for.
- Mr. Tom Haggerty asked if Yankee Gas was doing a tie-in with houses.
- Ms. Shea said she forget to mention previously that the whole e-mail chain between Keith Brynes and her all went to John Swenarton but she has not heard from Mr. Swenarton either.
- Ms. Shea stated that she feels that the applicants to be considered for the Economic Development Commission should all be town residents.

- Ms. O'Neill asked if there was going to be a meeting on the buildings downtown.
- Mr. Faulise asked about the status of the flood damage and whether we lost any businesses.
- Ms. Shea had a question as to what the FEMA money covers.

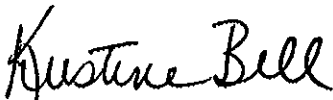
**(10)Comments from the Selectmen**

- Mrs. McAnanly stated that Mr. Haberek was recognized over the weekend at his alma mater.
- Mr. Haberek stated that the Board of Selectmen would recognize the Girls Tennis Team at the next meeting.

**(11)Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kristine Bell  
Recording Secretary