The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a special meeting on this date at the Stonington Town Hall at 1:00 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 1:03 p.m.

#### (2) Comments from the Public

Mr. Harry Martin stated that he hoped absentee ballots would be available and that it would as open a vote as possible. Mr. Haberek stated that the absentee ballots would be available starting on the 26<sup>th</sup> and would be available all the way up to the vote. Mr. Martin stated that if this could have been postponed until a regular election it would have saved money. Mr. Crouse stated that the referendum has to take place 45 days after the signatures are certified. Mr. Haberek stated that the ballot that we are getting in November cannot have anything with it because it is a federal ballot. Mr. Haberek further stated that we are doing paper ballots and there wouldn't be any electricity or scanners being used so that it would actually be cheaper. Mr. Crouse stated that was predicated by the fact that the primary machines have to be locked up for 2 weeks.

### (3) Set call for Referendum

Mr. Haberek read the following Resolution:

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 3-5 of the Charter, the Board of Selectmen sets the date for Referendum for August 19, 2010 as outlined in the Notice of Referendum that will be attached to the Minutes of this meeting as Appendix "A", which Notice is hereby approved.

A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to adopt the Resolution.

Mr. Haberek read the Notice of Referendum notice which is attached as Appendix "A".

#### (4) Comments from the Public

Mr. Martin asked how are people who are not registered voters but own property know that they are supposed to go to the first voting district at the fire station. Mr. Haberek stated that the notice would be in the paper and on the website. There was further discussion between Mr. Jim Smith, Mr. Haberek and Mr. Crouse as to who is eligible to vote.

## (5) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 1:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kistine Bell

Recording Secretary

#### APPENDIX "A'

# TOWN OF STONINGTON REFERENDUM

The referendum for the electors and citizens qualified to vote in Town Meetings of the Town of Stonington to reaffirm the vote on the third item of the warning of the Special Town Meeting called for June 30, 2010 will be held on August 19, 2010 between the hours of 12:00 Noon and 8:00 p.m. at the following voting places:

FIRST AND THIRD DISTRICT SECOND DISTRICT FOURTH AND FIFTH DISTRICT Stonington Fire House, 100 Main St., Stonington Pawcatuck Fire Station, 33 Liberty St., Pawcatuck B.F. Hoxie Fire House, 34 Broadway, Mystic

The referendum will be held pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-7 of the General Statutes of Connecticut.

Persons, not electors of the Town of Stonington, being citizens of the United States, age 18 years or older, jointly or severally liable to the Town of Stonington for taxes on an assessment of not less than \$1000 on the last completed grand list, desiring to vote pursuant to the provision of Section 7-6 of the General Statutes of Connecticut, shall vote in the First Voting District at the Stonington Fire Station, 100 Main St., Stonington. Absentee ballots will be available from the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours beginning on Monday, July 26, 2010.

The third item on the Special Town Meeting called for June 30, 2010 set forth in the warning of said meeting is as follows:

THIRD: To consider and vote on a resolution authorizing an exchange of properties of equal size between Joseph and Mary Putnam, owners of property at 200 Mistuxet Avenue, with an equal size parcel of land owned by the Town of Stonington behind the Mystic Middle School; said transfer shall be for no consideration, but shall be subject to certain terms and conditions as is more fully set forth in the agreement and resolution, copies of which are on file in the Town Clerk's office during normal business hours.

Said question will be placed on paper ballots under the following heading:

"SHALL THE TOWN OF STONINGTON EXCHANGE PARCELS OF LAND WITH JOSEPH AND MARY PUTNAM AS SET FORTH IN THE RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE TOWN MEETING ON JUNE 30, 2010?"

Voters wishing to reaffirm the resolution will vote "YES", and those wishing to overrule such resolution will vote "NO".

The Town Clerk will receive and record the vote at 8:30 p.m. at the Stonington Town Hall, 152 Elm Street, Stonington, Connecticut.

Dated at Stonington, Connecticut this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2010.

Edward Haberek Jr, First Selectman
George Crouse, Selectman
Glee McAnanly Selectman