

February 13, 2013

The Stonington Board of Selectmen held a special meeting on this date at the Stonington Police Department at 6:00 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 6:04 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

(2) Approval of the Minutes

- A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to approve the January 23, 2013 Board of Selectmen special meeting minutes.
- A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to approve the January 23, 2013 Board of Selectmen special meeting minutes.

(3) Commendation

Mr. Haberek presented the Stonington High School Boy's Cross Country Team with a commendation in recognition of a wonderful season that led to winning the ECC Medium Division Championship.

(4) Comments from the Public

None

(5) Correspondence

None

(6) New Business

Roll-Off Vehicle Bid Award

A motion was made by Mr. Crouse, seconded by Mrs. McAnanly and voted unanimously to award the Roll-Off Vehicle bid to Freightliner of Hartford.

(7) Comments from the Public

Mr. Ed Hart asked if they made any progress relative to the comments he made at the last 3 or 4 meetings about getting an investigation going on as to what the town might do to improve the town's electricity problem that we seem to have on a continuing basis. Mr. Hart also asked other questions with regard to the storm and the outages.

(8) Comments from the Selectmen


Mr. Crouse stated that he was confused by Mrs. McAnanly's informational session. Mr. Crouse stated that he found that it was at a house and he thought that when it originally started that we were going to have it at some general locations where everyone could meet and not a person's house. Mrs. McAnanly stated that at the Board of Education, Board of Finance and Board of Selectmen meeting they said that they were going to try it in neighborhoods. Mr. Crouse stated that he thought that they would go to a neighborhood with a meeting hall and not a house. Mr. Haberek stated that he talked to Tom Londregan who talked to Tom Hennick at FOI who said it was concerning that it was in a private home and it wasn't advertised on the website and it wasn't advertised with a formalized agenda. Mr. Crouse asked who was going to that. Mr. Crouse stated that it should be a bipartisan thing. Mr. Crouse also stated that it is a great idea but they need to find a general location and get it out of houses. Mrs. McAnanly stated that her goal was to get it into houses because people were going in the neighborhood and were interested in having the dialogue. Mrs. McAnanly

further stated we are here in the meeting room tonight and we have the kids from the classes that they need to have it and a few of the regulars that come so we are not getting the message out and she thought they could just try it. Mr. Haberek stated that going forward it should be in the public. Mr. Haberek also stated that his concern and Tom Londregan's concern was that if someone did not like the person whose residence it was in, that person then is somewhat unable to participate in something because it is not a neutral site. Mrs. McAnarly stated that we are a town meeting form of government, we are government by the people but we can't get to the people to have a conversation. Mr. Haberek stated we are in budget deliberations and his feeling is the public would take part in it now.

(9) Adjourn

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kristine Bell".

Kristine Bell
Recording Secretary