

Stonington Selectman's Meeting
Minutes May 18, 2027

PRESENT: John Robbins, Evelyn Duncan, Donna Brewer, Travis Fiefield, Joe Rackliff

PUBLIC: Kathleen Billings, Linda Nelson, Jack (newspaper) Holly Werner, Carla (transfer station)
Via zoom: Richard Russell, Morgan Eaton, T Ouellette, Bridget Brophy,
Sandra Ward, Christina Hardy, Mike Blom, Carla Falkensten

Minutes: Moved Brewer second Robbins to accept May 4th minutes Vote 5-0

Warrants: Moved Robbins second Brewer to accept accounts payable warrants Vote 5-0

Action Items: Billings reported that she would like to purchase a shipping container to store recyclables at the transfer station. This would free up space in the building. It would be put on a gravel pad. Moved Duncan second Robbins to spend \$3,800 to purchase container. Vote 5-0

Billings reported that she would like to purchase the software program from Trio to register vehicles. It would save time, and would do all reports necessary. We would have to eventually use their web, which also may save money. But Billings does not want to do that until after taxes are out as taxes are also run on Trio software. Moved Brewer second Duncan to spend \$8,500 on program. Vote 5-0

Duncan reported that Flash in the Pans would like to have a band on the fish pier August 17th. Also Bud Carter would like to have a band on the pier either August 9th or 16th depending on weather. Harbor committee approved proposals. Moved Brewer second Robbins to approve the events. Vote 5-0

Nelson reported that we do not have to meet ADA regulations if using the grant money for apartments on the second floor of the Odd Fellows building. Board needs to decide to use money for this or to buy property by August or loose funding.

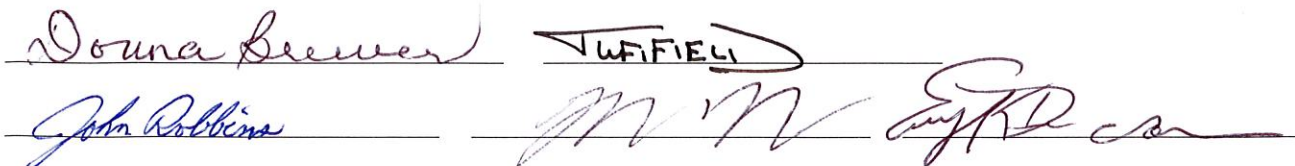
Nelson passed out information on historic districts and the financial benefits to property owners who would qualify. She would like to arrange a public meeting to discuss this. Board OK with arranging a meeting of Main Street owners.

Nelson reported the elevator project is back working. Ledge was a problem. She is working with community center and farmers market to work around the project. signage is going to be important.

Nelson reported that there will be a zoom only meeting on comprehensive plan input Tuesday night. This will cover the items which were worked on at last public meeting but via zoom.

Public: Jack from the newspaper asked about school budget amounts towns will have to pay. Duncan stated that the school was supposed to email the numbers but have not done so. Because of the amount of budget, the loss of \$157,000 in State money, and the lack of School Board using school surplus to offset taxes this year Stonington will have to raise property taxes this year.

Meeting adjourned 8:35PM


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