

Borough of Stonington
Board of Warden and Burgesses
Special Monthly Meeting
February 20, 2025
RECORD OF VOTES

Warden Michael Schefers called the special meeting of the Borough of Stonington Board of Warden and Burgesses to order at 12:03 p.m. The meeting was held at Borough Hall and via Zoom. Present, in addition to Warden Schefers were Burgesses Kevin Rogers, Amy Nicholas, Amanda Barnes, and Clerk-Treasurer Lisa Coleman. Burgess Bowdler was absent. No members of the public were signed in.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Burgess Barnes, seconded by Burgess Nicholas, the minutes of the monthly meeting of January 21, 2025, will be amended to read "Jesse Diggs, CT Registered Professional Engineer, has volunteered to help review the contractor proposals, if desired." under the Firehouse section of Public Buildings (Rogers) report, was approved.

APPROVAL OF THE EVENT APPLICATIONS

Stonington Garden Club Event

On a motion by Burgess Nicholas, seconded by Burgess Rogers, to approve the request by Stonington Garden Club to use Wadawanuck Square and parking spaces around Perimeter of the Square (Water, High, Main and Broad Streets) for the Triannual Stonington Garden Club "Gardens by the Sea Tour" a walking tour of gardens in the Borough, subject to proof of insurance, was unanimously approved.

Blessing of the Fleet 5K Race Event Application

On a motion by Burgess Nicholas, seconded by Burgess Rogers, to approve the request made by St. Michael Parish/Norwich RCDC, to use Town Dock and Borough Streets, for the Blessing of the Fleet 5K. Unanimously approved subject to proof of insurance.

St. Michael's Blessing Parade

On a motion by Warden Schefers, seconded by Burgess Barnes, to approve the request by St. Michael Parish/Norwich RCDC, to use Town Dock and Borough Streets, for the Blessing of the Fleet event and procession on July 27, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 4:00 pm (10:30 mass/12-4 events at town dock, subject to proof of insurance, was unanimously approved.

PHGS Fundraiser Event Application for Parking

On a motion by Burgess Nicholas, seconded by Burgess Barnes, to approve the request made by Portuguese Holy Ghost Society, to use two parking spots in addition to the 2 handicap spaces already in use at 26 Main St. for the fundraising fish and chips for Lions International, Waterford on Thursday, February 20, 2025, from 4-8 pm., subject to proof of insurance, was unanimously approved.

PHGS Lenten Fish and Chips Event Application for Parking

On a motion by Burgess Barnes, seconded by Warden Schefers, to approve the request made by Portuguese Holy Ghost Society for the Lenten Fish and Chips event to use two parking spots in addition to the 2 handicap spaces already in use at 26 Main St., to be held on Fridays 2/28/25 through 4/18/25 from 11 am to 6:30 pm, subject to proof of insurance, was unanimously approved.

SBMA Art Walk Application

On a motion by Burgess Barnes, seconded by Burgess Nicholas, to approve the request made by Sandra Alexander on behalf of the SBMA to use Water Street between High St and Church St. the Wadawanuck Square driveway and green, with access to outlets for the purpose of potential food vendors and music, on September 13, 2025/rain date September 14, 2025, subject to proof of insurance, was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

Approval of Wayland Wharf Repairs; Appropriation of funds from Infrastructure and Wayland's Wharf Account

On a motion by Warden Schefers, seconded by Burgess Barnes, to approve Wayland’s Wharf repairs in the total of \$98,438.53 and re-appropriate \$11,774.53 of funds from the Sidewalk Fund in Infrastructure Account, \$36,664 from Wayland’s Wharf Fund, and \$50,000 previously allotted, from the infrastrure fund was unanimously approved.

Approval of Junior Firefighter

On a motion by Burgess Nicholas, seconded by Burgess Rogers, to approve the application form from Chad Planeta to become a Stonington Borough Junior Firefighter, was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Burgess Barnes, seconded by Burgess Nicholas, adjournment of the meeting at 12:32 pm, was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M. Coleman
February 20, 2025