TOWN OF STAMFORD SELECTBOARD MEETING

January 12, 2023 (UNAPPROVED)

Present: Selectboard: Nancy L. Bushika, Chair, Michael G. Denault, Pamela Tworig, Carol A. Fachini

and Daniel J. Potvin.

Visitors: Ryan Rush-Booth, Zoning Administrator.

Lori Shepard, Selectboard Secretary.

Nancy Bushika called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed everyone.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Nancy Bushika to find that premature public discussion of employee matters would place the town at a substantial disadvantage. SECONDED by Pam Tworig. All in favor. Motion APPROVED.

MOTION by Nancy Bushika to enter executive session for employee review pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(3). SECONDED by Pam Tworig. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The Selectboard entered executive session at 5:32 p.m. Ryan Rush-Booth was invited to participate.

MOTION by Mike Denault to exit executive session. SECONDED by Pam Tworig. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The board exited executive session at 6:44 p.m. No decision was made.

SELECTBOARD ORDERS

The Selectboard reviewed and approved the following orders:

WARRANT #1 \$ 8,563.34 payroll WARRANT #2 \$22,646.91 accounts payable

The board reviewed and finalized the income and expense budget figures. They reviewed the proposed warrant and discussed the articles. The board discussed the warrant article for additional patrol hours at great length. They also reviewed the draft of the Selectboard report for insertion in the town report and several changes were made.

MOTION by Mike Denault to adjourn. SECONDED by Carol Fachini. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Carol A. Fachini Clerk

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PETITIONS FOR WARRANT ARTICLES & ELECTED POSITIONS

The deadline for filing petitions with the town clerk for warrant articles to be included in the town meeting warning is Thursday, January 19, 2023. These petitions must be signed by 5% of the registered voters or at least 37 signatures. V.S.A. 17:2642(a)

The required signatures on a petition to run for an elected office are 1% of the registered voters or at least 8 signatures. The deadline for filing these petitions with the Town Clerk is Monday, January 30, 2023 by 5:00 p.m. Nominating papers and the Consent of Candidate form may be picked up at the Town Office. V.S.A. 17:2681(a) (b).

Elected positions to be filled this year are:

Town Moderator - 1 year term (William Levine) School Moderator - 1 year term (William Levine) Town Clerk – 3 year term (*Lori A. Shepard*) Treasurer – 3 year term (Lori A. Shepard) Selectboard member - 2 year term (Nancy L. Bushika) Selectboard member - 3 year term (Carol A. Fachini) Selectboard member – 1 year remaining on a 3 year term (Daniel J. Potvin) School Director - 2 year term (Erika Bailey) School Director - 3 year term (Danielle Smith) Auditor - 1 year term (vacancy) Auditor - 2 year term (vacancy) Auditor - 3 year term (vacancy) Collector of Delinquent Taxes - 1 year term (Sally A. Bohl) Cemetery Commissioner - 3 year term (Sally A. Bohl) Cemetery Commission – 2 years remaining on a 3 year term (Janice Farinon) Library Trustee - 5 year term (Linda Rodovick)

Town meeting will be held on Monday, March 6, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. with the school portion first, followed by the town.

Voting will be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Town of Stamford Community Room. Applications for addition to the checklist will be accepted at the town office up to and throughout election day.

Absentee ballots will be available until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, March 6, 2023. Please call the town office at 694-1361.

Anyone interested in serving as an appointed board member, please review the expiring appointed positions in the town report and contact a member of that board or the Selectboard.