

TOWN OF STAMFORD
SPECIAL SELECTBOARD MEETING
October 30, 2024
(UNAPPROVED)

Present: Selectboard: Nancy L. Bushika, Chair, Michael G. Denault, John Dunn, Kurt Gamari, and Douglas Wright.
Visitors: Lori Shepard, Selectboard Secretary.

Nancy Bushika opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mike Denault to find that premature public discussion of a pending or probable civil action to which the public body is or may be a party, would place the town at a substantial disadvantage, pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E). SECONDED by Doug Wright. All in favor. Motion APPROVED.

MOTION by Mike Denault to enter executive session for a pending or probable civil litigation matter. SECONDED by Doug Wright. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The Selectboard entered executive session at 6:01 p.m.

MOTION by Kurt Gamari to exit executive session. SECONDED by Doug Wright. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The board exited executive session at 6:30 p.m.

Decision: MOTION by Mike Denault to contact the town attorney for representation in the civil litigation matter. SECONDED by Kurt Gamari. All in favor. Motion APPROVED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Mike Denault to find that premature public discussion of the negotiating or securing of a real estate purchase or lease option, would place the town at a substantial disadvantage, pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(2). SECONDED by Kurt Gamari. All in favor. Motion APPROVED.

MOTION by Mike Denault to enter executive session for the negotiating or securing of a real estate purchase or lease option. SECONDED by Kurt Gamari. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The Selectboard entered executive session at 6:33 p.m.

MOTION by Nancy Bushika to exit executive session. SECONDED by John Dunn. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The board exited executive session at 7:00 p.m.

Decision: MOTION by John Dunn, after doing our due diligence and research in regards to the purchase of the church, the Selectboard has decided it is not in the best interests of the town to move forward with the purchase of the St. John Bosco Church building. SECONDED by Kurt Gamari. All in favor. Motion APPROVED.

MOTION by Mike Denault to cancel the special town meeting which was scheduled for Monday, November 25, 2024. SECONDED by Doug Wright. All in favor. Motion APPROVED.

Nancy Bushika will contact the attorney and the realtor.

MOTION by Mike Denault to adjourn. SECONDED by Kurt Gamari. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The meeting ended at 7:02 p.m.

Kurt Gamari
Clerk

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REMINDERS

1. Tax bills have been issued and are due in hand by 8 p.m. on Thursday, November 21, 2024. By town vote, postmarks will not be accepted. Any unpaid tax will be subject to a one-time 8% penalty and 1% interest per month for the first 3 months and 1.5% interest per month thereafter until paid.
2. The general election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 at the Stamford Elementary School from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.
3. Applications to the checklist will be accepted through Election Day. Application forms can be requested by calling the town office at 802-694-1361 or you can register to vote online through Vermont's My Voter Page at <https://www.mvp.sec.state.vt.us/>.
4. Absentee ballots will be available until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 4, 2024. Please call the town office at 802-694-1361.
5. There is a ballot drop off slot in the rear of the town clerk's office to provide a safe and secure way to drop off your completed ballot at any time, day or night.
6. Townspeople should sign up with the state's free communications network, VT-Alert. You can sign up at vtalert.gov to receive notifications. You can choose how you would like to be alerted (phone call, text or email) and can choose what type of alerts you would like to receive, i.e. weather, road closures, public health, etc.
7. Anyone interested in applying for the part-time Assistant Assessor Clerk position should submit a letter of interest to the Selectboard.
8. The Wednesday afternoon summer hours at the transfer station will end on Wednesday, October 30, 2024.
9. The town office is open Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and on Thursdays from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. Closed Mondays.