

**Borough of Stonington  
Board of Warden and Burgesses  
Special Meeting – October 5, 2020**

**MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Warden Jeff Callahan called the special meeting of the Borough of Stonington Board of Warden and Burgesses to order, by way of Zoom conferencing video at 7:05p.m. Present were Burgesses Kevin Rogers, Amanda Barnes, Shaun Mastroianni, Amy Nicholas, and Bergin O'Malley. Warden Callahan took minutes.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT: None**

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

Request by Noah's Restaurant to erect a tent over outdoor dining tables on Church Street. Warden Callahan moved approval with the following conditions:

1. The tent must comply with State of CT guidelines regarding ventilation.
2. The installation must be approved by the Borough Fire Marshal, who will confirm in writing to the warden that the tent meets fire code in all respects and is well anchored.
3. In the event of a gale or tropical storm warning issued by the National Weather Service the tent must be taken down.
4. Noah's is responsible to repair any damage to Borough property, i.e. Church Street. Burgess Rogers seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

**4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a. Burgess Mastroianni moved approval of the draft laborer position description. Burgess Nicholas seconded, and it passed unanimously without discussion.

b. Burgess Mastroianni moved approval of the laborer draft letter of agreement as presented with the following changes: the employee shall contribute 15% of the cost of his/her health plan premiums, and the Borough shall contribute to his/her HSA 75% of the maximum deductible in the health plan. Burgess Nicholas seconded. Lengthy discussion followed. Barnes, O'Malley, Callahan voted NO. Nicholas and Mastroianni voted YES. Rogers abstained. The motion failed.

Mastroianni then offered the same motion, except he increased the HSA contribution to 80%. Nicholas seconded. Callahan, Nicholas, Mastroianni, and Rogers voted YES. Barnes and O'Malley voted NO, both believing that all employees should have the current health insurance benefit. Motion passed.

c. Burgess Barnes moved that the Borough waive the usual procedure of advertising an open position and offer the laborer position to the current temporary employee. That person has been in the position almost three months and has demonstrated excellent attitude and potential. Burgess Rogers seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business, Burgess Nicholas moved adjournment, Burgess O'Malley seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:10.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jeffrey Callahan, Warden  
October 6, 2020