

Borough of Stonington
Board of Warden and Burgesses
March 16, 2026
RECORD OF VOTES

Warden Michael Schefers called the monthly meeting of the Borough of Stonington Board of Warden and Burgesses to order at 7 p.m. The meeting was held at Borough Hall. Present, in addition to Warden Schefers were Burgesses Amy Nicholas, Amanda Barnes, Kevin Rogers and Clerk-Treasurer Lisa Coleman. Burgess Kevin Bowdler was absent. Approximately 8 members of the public were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Burgess Barnes, seconded by Burgess Nicholas, the minutes of the monthly meeting of February 20, 2026, amended to read Burgess Barnes and Burgess Bowdler were absent, were unanimously approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Water Street Ginkgo Tree Posting

On a motion by Warden Schefers, seconded by Burgess Rogers, to have the female ginkgo tree in front of the Pandolfi's house at 168 Water Street be removed, was approved by majority, Burgess Barnes opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

Cultural District Request

Tabled.

Blessing of the Fleet Requests

On a motion by Burgess Nicholas, seconded by Burgess Barnes, to approve the application made by St. Michael Parish/Norwich Diocese to use Town Dock and Borough Streets for the Blessing of the Fleet 5K Race on July 23 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Blessing of the Fleet event and procession on July 26 from 10 am to 4:00 pm, subject to proof of insurance, was unanimously approved.

SVIA Request

On a motion by Burgess Nicholas, seconded by Burgess Barnes, to approve the application by SVIA to use Main, Water, Broad, High Streets and Wad Square Streets to be closed by SPD (per town application on April's Police Commissioner agenda) for the 4th of July Parade sponsored by SVIA, public invited, and use of Wad Square for reading of the Declaration of Independence, Ocean Community Chamber Birthday Cake, and adding limited buntings on cannons at Cannon Square, subject to liability insurance by SVIA, was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Burgess Nicholas, seconded by Burgess Rogers, adjournment of the meeting at 8:28 p.m., was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M. Coleman
March 18, 2026