Borough of Stonington
Board of Warden and Burgesses
October 19, 2026
RECORD OF VOTES

Warden Michael Schefers called the monthly meeting of the Borough of Stonington Board of Warden and Burgesses to order at 7:01 p.m. The meeting was held at Borough Hall. Present, in addition to Warden Schefers were Burgesses Kevin Bowdler, Kevin Rogers, Amy Nicholas, and Clerk-Treasurer Lisa Coleman. Burgess Amanda Barnes was absent. Approximately 11 members of the public were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Burgess Bowdler, seconded by Burgess Nicholas, the minutes of the monthly meeting of Sept 21, 2026, as amended to read "asked why the surface of the viaduct is being replaced. His concern is that the DOT will then look for additional 'problems' with the lower part of the bridge." under Jesse Diggs' Public Comment and "State DOT will propose…" under Unfinished Business Viaduct Update, were unanimously approved.

On a motion by Burgess Rogers, seconded by Warden Schefers to add "Filming of "The Resurrection Club" and "Jesse Diggs nomination to Planning and Zoning" to New Business, was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of P&Z Members

On a motion by Burgess Bowdler, seconded by Burgess Nicholas, to approve Charles Hartman and Jeff Johnson as full members of Planning and Zoning, was unanimously approved.

SVIA Requests

On a motion by Burgess Rogers, seconded by Burgess Bowdler, to concur with the Town of Stonington's approval of the application made by SVIA to use Water Street for the Children's Halloween Trick or Treat on October 31, 2026, and to close Water Street from High St. to Church St. from 5:30 to 7:30 pm for pedestrian safety during Trick or Treat with local merchants, was unanimously approved.

On a motion by Burgess Nicholas, seconded by Burgess Rogers, to concur with the Town of Stonington's approval of the application made by SVIA to use Wad Square for tree lighting and caroling at SFL and Water Street from High Street to Cannon Square closed for strolling and horse carriage rides on December 4, 2026, from 5:30 to 8 pm for the Annual Stroll, was unanimously approved.

OCCC Lobster Tree

On a motion by Burgess Nicholas, seconded by Burgess Bowdler, to concur with the Town of Stonington's approval of the application made by Ocean Community Chamber of Commerce to

use 1 High Street across from Town Dock for the Stonington Lobster Trap Tree, opening on 11/21, from 11/9/2026 through 1/3/2027 from 4:30 to 9:30 pm nightly, subject to a sign to direct vehicles to park placed at the corner of Broad St. and a police officer on the night of lighting of the Lobster Trap Tree, was unanimously approved.

Filming of "The Resurrection Club"

On a motion by Burgess Bowdler, seconded by Burgess Nicholas, to concur with the Town of Stonington's approval of the application of filming of scene for show titled "The Resurrection Club" made by The Resurrection Club, LLC on November 24 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm at Stonington Town Dock, was unanimously approved.

Jesse Diggs nomination to Planning and Zoning

On a motion by Burgess Bowdler, seconded by Burgess Rogers, to approve adding Jesse Diggs as a full member of Planning and Zoning, was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by Burgess Bowdler, seconded by Burgess Nicholas, adjournment of the meeting at 7:55 p.m., was unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa M. Coleman
October 20, 2026