

**TOWN OF STAMFORD**  
**SELECTBOARD EMERGENCY MEETING**  
**August 10, 2023**  
**(UNAPPROVED)**

Present: Selectboard: Nancy L. Bushika, Chair, Pamela Tworig, Kurt Gamari, Michael G. Denault, and Marie Kelly-Whitney.

Visitors: Bernadette Waters, Maryjane Graswald, Sheila Pecor, and Carolyn Brooks.  
Luke McKay, Dog Officer.  
Lori Shepard, Selectboard Secretary.

Nancy Bushika called the emergency meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and welcomed everyone.

Luke McKay provided information on the recent dog bite. He advised that Maris Owczarski's dogs left her property and attacked the dog owned by Bernadette Waters. He provided a copy of the complaint from Ms. Waters. The Selectboard reviewed the procedures in the newly adopted dog ordinance and the difference between a vicious dog and a potentially vicious dog. They discussed the prior two dog hearings involving Maris Owczarski's dogs and the fines for potential violations of the ordinance. The Selectboard scheduled the potentially vicious dog hearing for Monday, August 14, 2023 at 6 p.m. Luke McKay will hand deliver the notice of hearing to both parties.

Sheila Pecor apologized to the board if she said she didn't like the new Stamford sign as it was her intention to convey the reasons why several people didn't like the sign. The board accepted her apology.

Nancy Bushika requested an executive session for personnel reasons.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

MOTION by Nancy Bushika to find that premature public discussion of personnel matters would place the town at a substantial disadvantage. SECONDED by Marie Kelly-Whitney. All in favor. Motion APPROVED.

MOTION by Nancy Bushika to enter executive session for personnel matters pursuant to 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(3). SECONDED by Marie Kelly-Whitney. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The Selectboard entered executive session at 7:15 p.m.

MOTION by Mike Denault to exit executive session. SECONDED by Marie Kelly-Whitney. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The board exited executive session at 7:35 p.m. An executive session will be added to the next Selectboard agenda to discuss the website and personal matters.

MOTION by Mike Denault to adjourn. SECONDED by Marie Kelly-Whitney. All in favor. Motion APPROVED. The meeting ended at 7:37 p.m.

Marie Kelly-Whitney  
Clerk

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