

Statement of Nicholas H. Mullane, II
Before the Executive Legislative Nominations Committee
April, 2010

My name is Nicholas H. Mullane, II, I am the First Selectman of the Town of North Stonington. I have held this position for 25 years. I am seeking reappointment to the Connecticut Resource Recovery Authority Board as a representative of towns with a population of 50,000 or less.

I was appointed to the CRRA Board in July, 2009, to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Mark Cooper. I must admit that I am still in the learning stages of my responsibilities as a Board member. I come to this appointment offering practical experience of having closed the solid waste facility in North Stonington, being a charter member of the Southeastern Connecticut Regional Resources Recovery Authority Advisory Board and a seated member, the Town of North Stonington, Preston, and Ledyard were the towns that started the regional hazardous waste collection in Southeastern Connecticut. For the past five (5) years I have been a certified transfer station and bulky waste operator (presently up for renewal). I served on the Governor's Solid Waste Recycling Study Committee, I was the individual responsible in North Stonington for implementing the original Town recycling efforts up to and including the recycling of electronics and now implementing single stream recycling. I offer to the Board my experience with these and the knowledge of the difficulties of handling the waste stream for a municipality.

I come to the Board with my previous 30 years of experience at General Dynamics, Electric Boat estimating and contracts background and the knowledge as a First Selectman of the Connecticut General Statutes, of local budgeting process, interfacing with the State aid programs and the experience of financial bonding and borrowing for Town purposes.

My interest in volunteering my time for this Board is a concern for my town, Southeastern Connecticut, and our State for the long term planning for disposal of solid waste and our recycling programs. Many of the contracts with the Resource Recovery Authorities are coming due and it is best that a long term solution be found for the entire State collectively. I have had considerable concerns about some of the Connecticut's waste and ash going out of state. At some point this capability will diminish or be eliminated altogether, leaving the State having to be totally self sufficient in their waste disposal. Thank you for the opportunity to address you today.

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- Served two years active duty in the United States Navy and four years in Naval Reserves.
 - Employed for thirty seven years by General Dynamics, Electric Boat Division, Retired Chief-Contracts
 - Served Seven years North Stonington Board of Finance, six years as Board Secretary
 - Two terms (four years) Board of Selectmen
 - Twelve terms (twenty-four years) First Selectman –Current Position
 - Twenty-two years Town's representative to Southeastern Regional Resource Recovery Authority (SCRRRA)
Signed North Stonington as one of the original host community towns.
 - Served ten years on the Southeastern Connecticut Water Authority (SCWA) Advisory Board
Now serving on SCWA Board of Directors
 - Served two years Southeastern Connecticut Enterprise Region (SECTER) Board of Directors
3 Years as SECTER President when BRAC occurred and when the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for Southeastern Connecticut (CEDS) was completed.
 - Current Town Representative to the Southeastern Connecticut Water Utility Coordinating Committee (WUCC)
 - Served on Governor's Southeastern Connecticut Economic Diversity Commission
 - Twelve years as Town's Representative to Southeastern Connecticut Council of Government (COG)
Served 1 Year as Chairman and when CEDS was started
Serving on COG Legislative Committee and Bulky Waste Committee
 - Past President of Council of Small Towns (COST –Three years)
 - Served on Governor's State Solid Waste & Recycling Study Committee
 - Served on Governor's State Truck and Rest Stop Study Committee
- Community and Civic Activities
- Six years as a coach for the North Stonington Little League
 - Seven years as Manager for Recreation Commission Soccer League
 - Thirty-two years Member of the Grange
 - Thirty-two years North Stonington Agricultural Fair Volunteer
 - Eighteen years Member of North Stonington Lions Club
 - Charter Member and volunteer for fifteen years on the "Wheeler All Night Graduation Party" Committee

North Stonington Resident from 1970 to Present

Date of Birth – 9-10-38

Married, Wife Florence

Three Children

Jennifer – Graduate Quinnipiac University with a degree in Physical Therapy, Lives in Groton, CT with her husband Jason Armstrong and one child Grace, Current Director of Rehabilitation for Mary Elizabeth Nursing Home, Mystic, CT

Christian – Graduate Three Rivers Community College, employed by the New York Times Computer Department, New York, NY

Patrick – Graduate University of Massachusetts and George Washington University, works in the US Senate, Washington, DC