

LYME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

April 25, 2018

Meeting

Approved

Present: Mike Smith, Nils Johnson, David Schaffer, Earl Strout, Sue MacKenzie, Chris Ramsden

Public: Matt Stevens, Kathy Johnson

Meeting called to order at 7 PM

This meeting was dedicated to developing the RFP for the consultant to assist with our mission.

Concern expressed about our loss of focus on the original purpose of this committee. We have become contentious and distracted with other questions and concerns. Either we should hire a consultant and formulate a report to the Select Board. Or disband and call it quits, or continue as we are but do not want to just sit in non productive meetings. We have gathered a lot of information over the last year and awareness of the Town regarding out tax situation is growing. Committee is becoming discouraged at being bogged down in the "Bureaucracy". People are thinking about what it will take to make changes in Town. That is progress. We need to be inclusive of all interests in Town. We need to get the RFP out, hire the consultant, then once we have the information we can then decide how best to inform the community and get their feed back. The information cannot be biased.

RFP: Draft put up on the screen, using input from the Planning Board and committee members the RFP was edited and finalized.

If the Lyme Foundation is willing to support this effort it is felt it would be better received by the Town. Money raised can be donated to the Lyme Foundation.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Susan J. MacKenzie