

TOWN OF LYME  
Select Board Meeting  
July 29, 2015  
Town Office Conference Room  
7:00PM

Approved: August 6, 2015

The following were present for all or part of this Select Board meeting:

- Susan J. MacKenzie (Chair), C. Jay Smith (member), Dina Cutting (Administrative Assistant). Budget Committee members: Judy Brotman, Richard Jones, Elizabeth Glenshaw, & Greg Lange

1. MacKenzie called the meeting to order at 8:00AM.
2. MacKenzie reviewed the 2015 6 month budget. Questions were asked and answered concerning the following line items.
  - Repairs to Highway equipment
  - Legal issues
  - Utilities abatement appeals
  - Highway building maintenance
  - Fire Department building maintenance
  - Grader, backhoe and pressure washer break downs. These are repairs that are every day repairs and are significantly more than an average year.
  - Emergency vehicle repairs Trust Fund. This has been used in the past and has a \$2,900.00 minimum expense threshold before it can be used for vehicle repairs.
  - Roads: Goose Pond Road and various locations along River Road were reviewed and discussed. The Select Board is attempting to figure out the total cost for road repair, rehabilitation and maintenance. Then a long-range financial plan can be developed. The board would like some financial expertise with this. This way the best option for the Town to pay for these repairs & rehabilitations in order to get the roads up to good standards and then a financial plan can be made to keep them there. The budget committee members will consider this. Chair Brotman will invite other members who were not at this meeting to consider working in a brain storming session to come with a plan.
  - The board discussed federal and state grant money.
  - Select Board contingency
  - Transfer Station and recycling was discussed. This will be looked at as the recycling revenue has not been very good in the past months. We may need to consider a different approach to this.
  - Law books expenses
  - The Board has completed a wage and benefits review. They will be making some wage changes in the future.
  - Brotman announced the Mr. Wilkes McClave has offered to fill the Budget Committees open seat. He was one of the community members who received a vote from 2015 Town meeting. Because he is the only candidate that would like to fill this seat the Budget Committee does not need to vote this appointment. Brotman will notify Mr. McClave of this.

The Select Board thanked the Budget Committee members for coming to this 6 month review.

At 8:50 PM there being no further business Smith moved to adjourn. Seconded by MacKenzie and voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dina Cutting