Town of Lyme Select Board Minutes for May 16th, 2013

The following were present for part or all of the meeting: Charles J. Smith (Chair), Richard Vidal (vice-chair), Susan J. MacKenzie (member) and Dina Cutting (Administrative Assistant), Chief O'Keefe (Police Chief), Community Members: Joseph Longacre & Rusty Estes.

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 8:00AM by Chair Smith.
- 2. Mr. Longacre came to express his concern over a recent letter that was sent to his wife. The board reviewed the reasons for this letter. Mr. Smith reviewed the history of Sheostrap Road and why this section was closed subject to gates and bars. The safety concerns of the Class VI section of Shoestrap was discussed. Mr. Longacre noted this would be the only emergency route if the River Road was damaged and could not be used. The Board will look into Emergency lanes and other possible solutions to keeping this road as an alternate evacuation route. Mr. Smith informed the public of the boards work with FERC concerning the River Road erosion and the Wilder Dam re-licensing. Followed was a discussion concerning various road topics, problems, and issues ie: ditches, pot holes, trees being left along the sides of the roads and a general discussion of the conditions of our roads.
- 3. The minutes of the May 9th, 2013 public and non-public meeting were unanimously approved with a motion from Vidal. Seconded by MacKenzie.
- 4. Matters arising:
 - Advertisement for the Selectmen's office employee went into the Valley News.
 - Hand & Heart Production: this has come back to the Selectboard. The Selectboard will be putting together conditions for this function and reviewing it at the next meeting. Mat Brown will be at this meeting at 4:00PM.
 - Road Agent Conference is from 8:00AM to 1:00PM. Smith and MacKenzie will attend with all the Highway employees. Thursday May 23, 2013.
- 5. Exemptions for Charitable Organization was approved and signed.
- 6. Intent to cut was signed for Wetzel, Robert & Gretchen-Map 406 Lot 22.2-Route 10
- 7. Report of Wood cut with Tax Warrant was signed for:
 - Tullar, George & Barbara- \$371.01
 - Knoings, Elke & Sheffield, Rhonda- \$233.89
 - Rich, Tyler- \$102.46
 - Steffy Maple Grove Farm- \$47.77
- 8. Committee & Commissions:
 - Waiting for a surveyor for more information concerning a possible private driveway being maintained by the town.

- MacKenzie reviewed topics from her recent Selectmen's seminar:
 - Trees cutting along the side of the roads
 - Signage for safety concerns in the road ways and completing a plan to fix these areas within 48 hours
 - Fisher Bridge and weight limits
- 9. The Selectmen were in agreement that there were a few areas identified from visits around to that needed immediate signage and or warning cones put up. MacKenzie will bring these areas to Stearns attention.
- 10. Planning Board: working on the Master Plan and setting up public meetings.
- 11. UNH 10 year road plan: The selectmen reviewed and signed the proposal. The necessary paperwork will be completed and submitted to Justin Lowe of UNH.
- 12. MacKenzie would like to organize some public meetings to present information concerning road construction, maintenance and safety issues.
- 13. Mr. Elliot had informed the list serve that he has purchased 2 pet waste elimination stations for the common. The Selectmen are in support of this but he needs to put them on sign posts (not nailed to a tree). If in the future there is any problem with plastic bags and waste from this left on the common the Selectmen will remove these stations.
- 14. A letter from a community members was received and passed on the Towns attorney.
- 15. At 10:03AM MacKenzie moved to adjourn. Seconded by Vidal. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dina Cutting
Administrative Assistant