

TOWN OF LYME
Select Board Meeting
March 7th, 2018
8:00 AM
Town Office Conference Room
Approved: March 15th 2018

The following people were present for part or all of the meeting: Select Board members: Charles J. Smith, Chair, Susan J. MacKenzie and Bradford E. Keith. Administrative Assistant: Dina Cutting. Community member: Kevin Shar.

Smith called the meeting to order at 9:05AM.

1. MacKenzie moved to accept the minutes of the March 1, 2018 meeting. Seconded by Keith. Changes were offered. The minutes were approved unanimously with amendments noted.
2. Matters arising:
 - The road counters will be picked up due to the coming storm.
 - The Lyme Fast and Fire were notified that Pathways facilities was not going to adequately staff the facility at night. The staff members were told to call 911 if a problem arose and Lyme Fast Squad would come. Concerns were noted and the Lyme Fast Squad was not available to fill in for staff responsibilities nor was this the Towns responsibility. This will need to be addressed in the near future.
 - Community Development needs to be listed in the Town Report under committees.
 - FERC meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2018. One of the board members or Kevin Sahr will attend.
 - The Select Board noted they had received the protest petition of March 5th, 2018 concerning Article # 2. This will change the voting requirement from simple majority to a 2/3 vote required. The moderator has been notified of his duty to post this at the place of polling.
3. Public Comment: None at this time.
4. Manifest: No manifest.
5. Reviewing Town Meeting articles and ongoing matters:
 - The board discussed various articles.
 - Smith will have a response prepared for the amendment Deb Robinson will be making to increase the Pond Program Coordinators salary
 - Changes to the Select Boards informational slides were made
 - Baker Hill Road, Hewes Brook Bridge and River Road projects were briefly discussed. The Board is waiting for draft agreements on easements and authority to move ahead with these projects.
 - FEMA funding for HMPG (Hazard Mitigation Project Grant). There is much information to gather before this grant can be applied for. Erin Darrow is working on this now.
 - The board discussed the balances left in various road project funds.

- Land Use Change Tax Fund- if this passes the funds will go into the Land Use Change Tax Fund and the Select Board will be coming to the Town the following year to vote on where to put these funds and/or how to use them.
 - FERC- Rusty updated the board on some information concerning the licensing of the Wilder Dam.
 - Under article 18 the Community Development Committee will be reporting and Keith will report on the FERC information.
 - Setup for Town meeting will be at 5:00PM on Monday, the board will have a workshop to review the information being presented at Town Meeting.
 - House Bill 1381-The board members will send communications to their State Representatives urging them to support setting up this study committee.
 - Abatements appeals have been received from the following utilities: Great River Hydro, Fairpoint Communications, Eversource and NH Optical.
6. Committee & Commissions:
- Coffee hour: Ross MacIntyre came to discuss FERC relicensing.
 - Conservation Commission: The last meeting was to discuss the article on this year warrant. The Conservation Commission does not support this article.
 - Conservation Easement coding project- The board briefly discussed the logistics of this project.
 - Roads Committee: It was reiterated that individual members from this committee have no decision making power. The idea is to have committee members assigned to a project, follow these projects, helping to make sure things keep moving along and report back to the committee, and the Select Board rep will report back to the board. The following topics were discussed, road counts, gathering background information on the road area. It is important the e-mail records be kept on all the projects. All e-mails need to be copied to the Administrative Assistant. Sahr will add that to the “to do list”. The authority from the property owners are needed so the permit application can be sent in.
 - Reviewed the Baker Hill Road repair and the cost of the longer culvert. This road has a 50’ right of way. If the repairs can be done with a shortened culvert and this avoids the need for land owner permission the board would like the Engineer to consider this option and give the board an estimate.
7. Cutting to set up an appointment with Steven Campbell to discuss telecommunications with in the Town.
8. Keith reported on house bill 1210 being taken off the consent calendar, effectively killing the bill.
9. There being no further business to come before the board the meeting was adjourned at 10:25AM

Respectfully Submitted,
Dina Cutting