TOWN OF LYME Select Board Meeting March 14th, 2019 8:00 AM

Town Office Conference Room Approved: March 20, 2019

The following people were present for part or all of the meeting: Select Board members: Susan MacKenzie, Bradford Keith and Kevin Sahr. Administrative Assistant: Dina Cutting. Judith Brotman.

- 1. At 8:00AM Chair MacKenzie called this meeting to order.
- 2. Sahr moved to approve the minutes of March 7th, 2019. Seconded by MacKenzie. Changes were offered. Vote unanimously in favor with changes noted.
- 3. Matters Arising: The board reviewed various priorities:
 - Pellet stove for the Highway Garage
 - Storage for the highway equipment- the fleet is growing and needs a place for them to be undercover. Concern was noted that the older vehicles and equipment should be tracked closely for expenditures.
 - Keith noted his disappointment with the revised letter to Mr. Roby. At the last board meeting a date certain was put in this letter and it was noted the board would move to eminent domain if Mr. Roby did not contact the board. Keith made a formal objection to the change that was made to this letter after the decision made in a public meeting. Taking this section out made the letter pointless. Keith noted if the easement is not secured the Town needs time to follow through with eminent domain and the longer the Board waits the higher the risk of not getting this project done.
 - Cutting reported Mr. Roby did had notified the board and explained he needed a little more time to review the information sent to him.
 - The board reviewed the Baker Hill project. The headwall construction was reviewed and discussed. The current plans call for repair of what is there. If changes are made to what is there the DES permitting requirements will change. It was noted that it is important for the Road Agent to support this project. The board will ask Williams and New England Field Services come to a meeting to discuss this issue in the future.
- 4. Manifest: The board reviewed and signed a manifest in the amount of \$56,801.78.
- 5. Public Comment: Brotman asked about the review of the personnel policy the board had been working on. Sahr reviewed the changes to the policy and noted the board voted this policy at a previous meeting along with approving the payout of all accrued vacation time in excess of the new 40 hour carryover limit. Thus, removing this liability from the balance sheet.
- 6. Application for Conservation restriction assessment- Keith reviewed with Brotman his concerns with this current application. Our assessor, Todd Haywood, recommends approval

- and Keith disagrees. Haywood will be coming to a board meeting to review and discuss this with the board. Keith formally requested he be contacted when this discussion is to take place.
- 7. The board reviewed and signed the Assistant Deputy Town Clerk appointment for Town Meeting 2019- Katrina Jenks
- 8. Notice of intent to cut was reviewed and approved for 75 Pout Pond Lane. Map 415 Lot 19 LLP 77
 - Keith reviewed the need for further investigation regarding the number of properties subject to conservation easements required for subdivision approval as that requirement causes a change in use that disqualifies this land for Current Use or Conservation Restriction Assessment. He noted it was clear the deeds have not been researched fully before these current use or conservation restriction assessment applications were approved in the past. Keith noted he wants the new board to realize how important it is to correct this.
- 9. Committees and Commissions:
 - The board reviewed FERC-Great Hydro concerns with Brotman.
 - Energy Committee: Sahr reviewed the Committee is getting ready for the "ready for 100" drive.
- 10. Keith took this time to thank Sue Mackenzie for the past 6 years. All the hard work and commitment to the town was appreciated.
- 11. Sahr also thanked Keith for his work over the past 2 years.
- 12. There being no further business before the board at this time Sahr moved to adjourn at 9:13AM. Seconded by Keith. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully submitted,		
Dina		