

TOWN OF LYME  
Select Board Meeting  
May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

8:00 AM

Town Office Conference Room

Approved: May 16, 2019

The following people were present for part or all of the meeting: Select Board members: Kevin Sahr, Judith Brotman and Benjamin Kilham. Administrative Assistant, Dina Cutting. Police Chief: Shaun O'Keefe. Transfer Station Supervisor: Matthew Thebodo. Road Agent: Steven Williams. New England Field Services LLC, Dennis & Laura Thompson. Community member: Bret Ryan.

1. At 8:00 AM Chair Sahr called this meeting to order.
2. Highway: Williams reported on the following items:
  - ✓ Thompson and Williams discussed the pros and cons of grinding and paving, paving and waiting a year to apply the top coat. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed to have the entire section of Baker Hill be ground and paved. Thompson is confident this will last with a 2 ½" base of asphalt. It was decided if a top coat is deemed necessary by Williams it will be done by the Town next year. The highway department will be replacing and installing some underdrainage in the upper and lower sections of this road.
  - ✓ River Road-The addition of material on the Old River Road was discussed again. The board does not want this road filled and/or covered with material from this project. Thompson noted the area with the helical anchors should be deemed unbuildable because of future concerns of erosion and sluffing off of the bank. Thompson discussed the need to apply some material in order to create a 3 to 1 sloop on the edge of the Old River Road. This will only go to the edge of the pavement, not on the present pavement or old Road way. The board will arrange a trip to the location to review the project. A 2' shoulder will be applied while they are paving.
  - ✓ River Road south: Williams is working with Right Angle Engineering
  - ✓ Goose Pond Road: putting this project out to bid as soon as possible is the goal.
3. Energy Committee: Sahr reviewed the possible street light change with Chief O'Keefe. Chief O'Keefe noted he had previously reviewed the placement of the streetlights and they were placed where he feels they need to be for safety.
4. Sahr reviewed the Department of Transportation recommendation for the cross walk in front of the school. The board is supportive of this idea.
5. Independence Day Committee: The committee is not having luck recruiting volunteers for this year for this function.
6. Chief O'Keefe reported some concerns with a private party. This involved parking and road safety concerns. Cutting and O'Keefe to write a letter with concerns.
7. The Board discussed the treatment of employees, noting they would like employees to be treated with respect.
8. Transfer Station: Thebodo reviewed the meeting with Marc Morgan, City of Lebanon Transfer Station director. C & D disposal was reviewed and discussed. Lebanon will still take bulky waste, not true C & D which is construction debris. Thebodo is making

- arrangements for the C & D to be hauled away. Many different options were discussed. The deadline for bids for Municipal waste, zero sort and C & D is May 13, 2019.
9. Kilham moved to approve the minutes of the May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Sahr. Voted 2 in favor and 1 abstention (Brotman).
  10. Public hearing will take place on June 6, 2019 at 8:00AM to review various grants received. Lyme Foundation-\$45,000 and FEMA- \$ 227,155.00.
  11. Manifest was reviewed and signed in the amount of \$31,843.78
  12. The Board reviewed and signed a letter to NH DOT concerning dangerous trees along Dorchester Road.
  13. Intent to Cut: Pike, Roberta-Map 421 Lot 10 approved
  14. 2018 Abatement-Solar abatement request was late-Brotman moved to not approve a solar exemption due to a late application date. Seconded by Sahr. The Board reviewed the abatement. Motion approved unanimously
  15. The board reviewed the 2018 abatement recommendation for McKusick, Michael & Geraldine. Brotman moved to approve the 2018 abatement, Seconded by Sahr. Voted unanimously in favor.
  16. Committee and Commissions:
    - ✓ Common Use Committee: Discussed options the committee are considering. The committee will review information at next meeting and come to the board with items to be considered. The committee would like feedback from the Board before going further.
    - ✓ Coffee Hour: Because of lack of attendance the board feels the Coffee hours can be stopped. Sahr moved to welcome community members to the public comment time at 8:30AM at the regular Select Board meeting each week. Seconded by Brotman. Unanimously approved.
    - ✓ The board revisited the condition of Shoestrap Road. The Town voted to make this road a class VI road. The town is to do no maintenance work and to expend town funds on this road per state of NH RSA. The board should not spend money to have an engineer re-evaluate this road. Cutting has located the past information for any Board member to review.
    - ✓ Bailey and Bear Hill Roads- The board reviewed last week's discussion. The sense of the Board was to not make this a seasonal road. Williams to find estimates on a private plowing company to plow the Class V section of this road.
  17. Personnel Policy: The board will devote the next board meeting to only the personnel policy. Cutting was asked to not make appointment for the Board unless it was an emergency.
  18. The will not meet on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019. No meeting that week.
  19. At 10:55AM Brotman moved to enter nonpublic session in accordance with 91A:3 II (I) Consideration of legal advice provided by legal counsel, either in writing or orally, to one or more members of the public body, even where legal counsel is not present. The Board reviewed information.  
At 10:57AM the board returned to public session with no vote taken.
  20. There being no further business before the Board at this time Sahr moved to adjourn at 11:00AM. Seconded by Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully submitted, Dina