## TOWN OF LYME Select Board Meeting July 25, 2019 9:00 AM

Town Office Conference Room Approved: August 1, 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; Chase Beach Supervisor Robert Thebodo; Community members: Susan MacKenzie, Suzan Simon, Greg Hanlon, Sawyer Hanlon, Matt Prince, Yolanda Bujarski and Adrienne Flower.

- 1. At 9:00AM Chair Sahr called this meeting to order.
- 2. Chair Sahr explained the Board was holding this public meeting to receive feedback on the Recreation Facility Ordinance. He welcomes any member of the public to speak.

Mr. Thebodo, Beach Supervisor explained he does not set the rules, he enforces them. He feels something needs to be done to improve the problem concerning the use of life jackets. The lifeguards and Beach Supervisor should not be getting pushback for enforcing the rules. The Town insurance company and the Red Cross should be asked to weigh in on this issue.

Community members spoke about the recreation ordinance. Comments were made concerning the life jacket rule. It was the sense of most people present to continue to allow life jackets and to add the option to wear Class III life jackets. Community members spoke about safety and wanting the choice to allow their child to wear class III jackets. Various Ordinance sections were reviewed and noted for possible change.

The Board thanked the public for their coming, the Board will be gathering information from the Town insurance company and American Red Cross before making any decisions on Ordinance revisions.

- 3. Public comment: None at this time.
- 4. At 9:15AM Mr. Sahr moved to enter non-public in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 (c) matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. Seconded by Mr. Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote. Present for this discussion was Mr. Sahr, Ms. Brotman, Mr. Kilham, Chief O'Keefe, Robert Thebodo, Beach Supervisor, and Ms. Cutting.

The Board discussed a matter which may affect a person's reputation.

At 10:13AM Mr. Sahr moved to enter public session. Seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor. Mr. Sahr moved to seal the minutes of this non-public session. Seconded by Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor.

The Board will meet hold a non-public session in the coming weeks to review the Ordinance revisions.

- 5. Ms. Brotman suggested the Board consider moving the location of the adult swim dock. The present location is too close to the town beach swimming area. This causes a safety hazard and seems to be an attraction to children who should not be swimming in this area. The adult dock in for restricted to individuals 18 years of age and older. The Board will discuss this at a later meeting.
- 6. Mr. Sahr moved to approve the minutes of the July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor.
- 7. Manifest: The manifest in the amount of \$137, 365.31 was reviewed and approved.
- 8. Budget review: The Board asked for clarification on various expense lines. Contracted services in the highway budget was reviewed. The Board has requested all items be posted to the appropriate expense line. The Town has a bottom-line budget, in order to track true expenses, the expense must be appropriated to the correct budget line.
- 9. Ms. Brotman suggested the 6-month budget be sent to budget committee Vice Chair Richard Jones to be distributed to the budget committee members. The Board felt the budget is on track there was no need for a mid-year meeting.
- 10. Dorchester Road grant: FEMA had a phone conference with the following people; Erin Darrow, Right Angle Engineering, Paul Hatch, Emergency Management State of NH, Steven Williams and Dina Cutting. FEMA confirmed information that needs to come from Right Angle Engineering in the coming weeks. This project will need to accommodate the hikers on the AT trail and allow them to pass at the section of the trail affected by this project. The group will meet in August to review items.
- 11. Property tax deeding: The Board reviewed the procedure. The Tax Collector has contacted the property owners affected by this possible action. The Board will address this the individual properties being deeded at the next meeting.
- 12. River Road: Ms. Brotman met with Steve Williams, Erin Darrow of Right-Angle Engineering and 3 property owners to review and discuss the area at their property that is affected by this road project. The Old River Road at the property owner's area was also reviewed and discussed. Following this meeting Ms. Brotman, Steve Williams, Erin Darrow and Dennis Thompson of New England Field Services met for the weekly field observation.
- 13. Committee and Commissions:
  - Ms. Brotman reviewed the Recreation Commission meeting. The Commission members discussed of Chase Beach and the Recreation Facility Ordinance. The commission supports the Select Board and would also like the life jacket section clarified to make it clear with no gray areas for different interpretations. 3 new picnic tables have been placed at the beach. The Commission reviewed tennis court repairs, new playground equipment, and other items proposed for this area thanks to the Swan fund grant.
  - Lyme Common Committee: Separating in to sub-committees to address various items. Buried electric wires being one.
  - Conservation Commission: Working on addressing the knot weed around the Town.
- 14. At 11:04AM Ms. Sahr moved to enter non-public in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 (*l*), Legal. Seconded by Mr. Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote. Present for this discussion was Mr. Sahr, Ms. Brotman, Mr. Kilham and Ms. Cutting.

- A legal issue was discussed.
- At 11:09AM Mr. Sahr moved to enter public session. Seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor.
- 15. At 11:09AM Mr. Sahr moved to enter non-public in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 (c), matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of the public body itself, unless such person requests an open meeting. Seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote. Present for this discussion was Mr. Sahr, Ms. Brotman, Mr. Kilham and Ms. Cutting. The board discussed a matter which may affect a person's reputation. At 11:21AM Ms. Brotman moved to enter public session having made no decision. Seconded by Mr. Sahr. Voted unanimously in favor.
- 16. The Board requested the draft revisions for the Recreation Facility Ordinance be sent to the Town attorney for review prior to the Select Board vote.
- 17. There being no further business before the Board at this time Ms. Brotman moved to adjourn at 11:25AM. Seconded by Mr. Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

**Dina Cutting**