TOWN OF LYME Select Board Meeting August 8, 2019 11:30 AM

Town Office Conference Room Approved: August 15th, 2019

The following people were present for part or all of the meeting: Select Board members Kevin Sahr, Judith Brotman and Benjamin Kilham; Office Assistant Patricia Cashman; Road Agent Steve Williams; Police Chief Shaun O'Keefe; Erin Darrow of Right Angle Engineering; Community members Sue MacKenzie, Brett Ryan, Fiona Kling, and Jonathan Voegele.

- 1. At 11:31 AM Mr. Sahr called the meeting to order.
- 2. Mr. Sahr asked Ms. Darrow if she still wanted to meet in public session, as she had requested in an email dated 8/7/19. She stated that she would. Mr. Sahr told Ms. Darrow that the Board had decided to terminate her contract with the Town regarding the River Road project and gave her a letter of termination. Mr. Sahr again offered Ms. Darrow the option of going into a non-public session. She stated that at this time she would like a non-public meeting and also requested that Steve Williams be present.
- 3. At 11:34 AM Ms. Brotman moved to enter non-public in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II (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. Sahr. Voted unanimously in favor. Present for this discussion were the Board, Ms. Darrow, Mr. Williams, and Ms. Cashman. Matters which may affect a person's reputation were discussed.
- 4. At 11:38AM Mr. Sahr moved to enter public session. Seconded by Mr. Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor.
- 5. Mr. Sahr stated that Right Angle Engineering was being terminated from the River Road project. Pursuant to the April 24, 2019 contract, the Town is giving Ms. Darrow the required seven day written notice.
- 6. Ms. Darrow and Mr. Williams discussed ongoing road projects with the Board. Mr. Williams stated that he wanted to talk to the Board about the highway budget regarding materials at the next meeting. He said that he wanted to see if there was a way to replace culverts as needed rather than after they fail. Mr. Sahr asked him to bring plans and costs to the next meeting. Mr. Williams asked for an updated manifest. Ms. Cashman told him that Ms. Cutting would return from vacation next week and would get him the information. Ms. Darrow reminded the Board that they have a meeting with FEMA regarding access concerns on Dorchester Road scheduled for Tuesday August 27, 2019 at noon at the Lyme town office. Ms. Darrow brought in two permit amendment applications for the River Road project. Ms. Darrow informed the Board that a wetlands specialist at DES had concerns about the Baker Hill Road project plans and made plan suggestions. Mr. Sahr told her to inform and update Mr. Dennis Thompson of NNEFS with that permit information. Ms. Darrow said she would.

7. Public Comments:

Ms. McKenzie stated that the Baker Hill Road project contract is with NNEFS not Right Angle Engineering. Mr. Sahr concurred. She also asked if the public can see a copy of the

budget. Mr. Sahr asked that the mid-year budget spread sheet be added to the Board's minutes at the August 15th meeting.

Mr. Ryan said that he could not attend the FEMA meeting on August 27th and would like to be informed what decisions were made regarding that matter. Mr. Sahr agreed to let him know.

Ms. Kling asked the Board why they have not yet compiled all the necessary information and met with them to discuss their ban from Chase Beach, noting that it is inconvenient for their family to have to go to another lake. She asked the Board to resolve this matter at today's meeting. Mr. Sahr said it could not be resolved today and she had been informed by email that the Board would contact her as soon as all the necessary information was compiled. Mr. Voegele stated that the Board was taking too long in this matter and also requested that the emails sent on behalf of the Kling family after the July 7th incident be included with the minutes. The Board agreed to add an addendum to the minutes with the emails (some of which may need to have names redacted) when Ms. Cutting returns from vacation. Ms. Brotman said that time would be made for a non-public session with Ms. Kling at the next meeting on August 15th. Mr. Kilham stated that the delay in scheduling the meeting was due to other imperative issues that the Board had to address first. He added that a non-public session was required so that all could speak freely. Mr. Sahr said that Ms. Cutting would send the emails to both Ms. Kling and Mr. Voegele, per their request.

- 8. Mr. Kilham moved to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Sahr. Voted unanimously in favor.
- 9. Mr. Sahr moved to approve the sealed non-public session minutes from August 1, 2019 meeting. Mr. Kilham seconded the motion. Voted unanimously in favor.
- 10. The Board discussed how they will move forward with work and permits for River Road since Right Angle Engineering is no longer involved. Ms. Brotman discussed Permits By Notification. Mr. Sahr will speak with Mr. Thompson regarding these options.
- 11. Mr. Sahr stated that David Robbins, the Planning and Zoning Administrator, asked that the Board consider supporting a letter to be sent to a resident regarding the Town's Zoning Ordinance Section 6.25 (Signs). After considering the matter it was agreed that Mr. Robbins should send a letter informing the resident of the requirements of the Ordinance.
- 12. Mr. Sahr moved to approve the minutes of the May 30, 2019 meeting. Seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor.
- 13. Police: Chief O'Keefe requested a non-public session. Mr. Sahr said that they would do that at the end of the public meeting.
- 14. Committees and Commissions: Ms. Brotman informed the Board that the Common Planning Committee (informally known as the Lyme Common Committee) met with two Eversource representatives and they were very helpful. Lyme Common Committee would like to meet with the phone company later this month. The Lyme Common Committee has formed two sub-committees; one researching burying lines and one for options other than burying lines at the Lyme Common. She also noted that the committee would like more public input and has asked that the meetings be noticed on the LymeList. Mr. Sahr suggested that this committee's chairperson post on the listserve to reach the public.
- 15. At 12:48 Ms. Brotman moved to enter non-public in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II (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. Sahr. Present for the meeting were the Board, Chief O'Keefe

- and Ms. Cashman. Matters which may affect a person's reputation were discussed. It was moved by Ms. Brotman and seconded by Mr. Sahr to seal these minutes. Voted unanimously in favor.
- 16. At 1:18 Mr. Sahr moved to enter public session.
- 17. The Board discussed possible proposed changes to the Lyme Recreation Facility Ordinance (in particular the Chase Beach regulations) and the importance of all residents following the regulations. Ms. Brotman said that she would offer a new draft early next week.
- 18. There being no further business before the board at this time Mr. Kilham moved to adjourn at 1:25 PM. Seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Cashman