

TOWN OF LYME
Select Board Meeting
August 22, 2019
8:00 AM
Town Office Conference Room

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; Road Agent Steve Williams; Highway employee Scott Bailey; Police Chief Shaun O'Keefe; School Board Chair Jonathan Voegelé; Superintendent/Principal Jeff Valence; Community members: Susan MacKenzie, Bret Ryan, Ellen Knights, Karen Borgstrom, Donald Graham, Carol Barr and Fiona Kling; Northern New England Field Services, Laura & Dennis Thompson.

1. At 9:00AM Chair Sahr called this meeting to order.
2. River Road south: Mrs. Borgstrom and Mrs. Knights reviewed past and present issues with the southern section of River Road. This section of the road was turned to dirt and they are inquiring as to what the Board's plan is for this section of the road. This matter has been before the Board before, the intent is just keep this on the Board radar. Mr. Williams reviewed the past work. Options and funding were discussed. Chair Sahr illustrated the large dollar repairs of past and future for River Road. At this time there is no projected time for paving. Mrs. Borgstrom shared an article concerning possible asbestos in the asphalt. The Board will review this information.
3. River Road re-route: Mr. Thompson and Mr. Williams discussed various parts of this project. Mr. Thompson met with DES in the past week- no permit is necessary for the following culverts: Culvert # 3, culvert A and culvert # 1 as listed on the plans. Mr. Williams will add them to the Town inventory list. The blasting company will be coming to start on Monday. Mr. Thompson is waiting for information from an engineering firm to finish this project. Mr. Thompson noted people are coming into the work site even with no trespassing signs. Chief O'Keefe will work with Mr. Thompson on this matter. Mr. Thompson estimated the road could open October 1, 2019, they will still have shoulder work to do but the road can be open to traffic during that time. The old River Road section will be blocked off by boulders at the southern end. Mr. Williams and Mr. Thompson will work to coordinate the guard rails necessary for this project.
Baker Hill Road: Mr. Thompson is gathering engineering information for project. The Board and Mr. Thompson reviewed various items concerning this project. Mr. Thompson estimated the project will be 3 to 4 weeks of work. The grinding will start mid-September but the road will not need to be closed for that portion of the work.
4. Highway: The Board would like Mr. Williams to get his ideas for future road projects on paper. The Board and Mr. Williams reviewed the paving previously planned. These will need to be reevaluated and Mr. Williams will need to prioritize as funds allow.
5. School: The Select Board and School representatives reviewed the various closed roads and plans for road projects that could affect the bus routes. Mr. Valence noted the School Board will be meeting Monday night to discuss the option of purchasing a small van/bus. They will be seeking out grants and developing the best plan for this transportation need. The final budget numbers should be available at Monday night's meeting. The auditors will be

- confirming the 2018-2019 School budget this week. Mr. Valence noted the School will be returning money to help lower the tax rate.
6. At 10:10AM 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 by a roll call vote. Present for this discussion was Mr. Sahr, Mrs. Brotman, Mr. Kilham, Mr. Voegelé, Mrs. Kling and Mrs. Cutting. Matters which may affect a person's reputation were discussed. At 10:40AM Mr. Sahr moved to re-enter public session having taken no votes in non-public session. Seconded by Mr. Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor.
 7. Mr. Voegelé requested the information concerning the right to know request from the previous week's meeting. The Board stated they would be discussing this at a later time and would get back to him on this matter.
 8. Mr. Thompson returned at this time to report that Jones and Beach Engineering has looked at the plans and the project and are willing to take on the remainder of the River Road re-route project. They have requested a letter confirming they are not responsible for previous project work. The Board discussed this and the sense of the board was to support this. Ms. Cutting to prepare a letter for Town Counsel's approval.
 9. Public Comment: Concerns were noted about road side mowing not taking place this year, grading costs and budget issues.
 10. River Road Bypass was discussed. Change order # 4 Blasting for NNEFS was reviewed. Mr. Kilham moved to approve Change order # 4 for the amount of \$32,600. Seconded by Mr. Sahr. Voted unanimously in favor.
 11. The Board reviewed the River Road closure. It was the sense of the Board to support Mr. Thompson and keep this road closed until the work is complete for safety reasons.
 12. The compactor is to be repaired – we are waiting for a quote. In the meantime recycling will be collected in the towns 40 yard bin.
 13. Mowing bids for 2020: Ms. Cutting to advertise the RFP.
 14. The Lyme Town Web site needs to be updated with River Road information.
 15. Ms. Cutting to contact land owner for possible stockpiling of material at the Hidden Valley location.
 16. Committees:
 - Heritage Commission: they will be putting a plaque on the old Town Meeting building (the Stella, Post Office, and Hardware store building)
 17. 11:20AM Mr. Sahr moved to enter non-public in accordance with RSA 91-A: 3 II (I), Legal. Seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote. Present for this discussion was Mr. Sahr, Mrs. Brotman, Mr. Kilham and Mrs. Cutting. A legal issue was discussed. At 11:40AM Mr. Sahr moved to re-enter public session. Seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor. It was the sense of the Board that Mr. Sahr contact Hanson Bridge Construction Company to discuss various issues of the Hewes Brook Bridge replacement.
 18. The Board signed the abatement form for Center of Northern Woodland Education for 2018.
 19. At 11:45AM 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 by a roll call vote. Present for this discussion were Mr. Sahr, Mrs. Brotman, Mr. Kilham and Ms. Cutting. Matters which may affect a person's reputation were discussed.

At 11:55AM Mr. Sahr moved to re-enter public session having taken no votes in non-public session. Seconded by Mr. Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor. The sense of the Board was to have Town Counsel redact the requested correspondence and release this to Mr. Voegelé, and Mrs. Kling.

20. At 11:56AM Mr. Sahr moved to enter non-public in accordance with RSA 91-A: 3 (I), Legal. Seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote. Present for this discussion was Mr. Sahr, Mrs. Brotman, Mr. Kilham and Ms. Cutting. A legal issue was discussed.

At 12:54AM Mr. Sahr moved to re-enter public session having voted to send a letter to Right Angle Engineering with 2 Select Board signatures as Mr. Sahr will be out of town. Seconded by Mrs. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor.

21. There being no further business before the Board at this time Mr. Kilham moved to adjourn at 12:14AM. Seconded by Mrs. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Dina Cutting