TOWN OF LYME Select Board Meeting September 12, 2019 9:00 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. Police Chief Shaun O'Keefe; Community members: Susan MacKenzie, Bret Ryan, David Van Wie, Karen Henry; for Crossroads Academy Phil Harrison, Brad Choyt and David Kohn.

- 1. At 9:00AM Chair Sahr called this meeting to order.
- 2. 9:01AM Mr. Sahr moved to enter non-public in accordance with RSA 91-A: 3 II (*l*), 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 9:13AM Mr. Sahr moved to re-enter public session. Seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor. Mrs. Brotman moved to seal the minutes of this non-public session. Seconded by Mr. Sahr. Motion voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote.
- 3. 9:13AM Mr. Sahr moved to enter non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A: 3 II (c). Seconded by Mr. Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote. Present for this discussion was Mr. Sahr, Mrs. Brotman, Mr. Kilham and Mrs. Cutting. A matter which may affect a person's reputation was discussed. At 9:32AM Mr. Sahr moved to re-enter public session. Seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor. Mrs. Brotman moved to seal the minutes of this non-public session. Seconded by Mr. Sahr. Motion voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote.
- 4. Crossroads Academy: Mr. Harrison, Mr. Choyt and Mr. Kahn reviewed the Crossroads Academy's hope to build a new middle school building. The Conservation Easement was discussed. After a thorough discussion the Board and Crossroads Academy agreed to work together toward a resolution to this problem through their respective attorneys. The Board thanked the Crossroad's advisors and administration for sharing their proposal for resolution with the Board of Selectmen.
- 5. Public Comment:
 - Mr. Ryan spoke in support of the Crossroads Academy proposal.

 Ms. McKenzie repeated her suggestion that the Lyme Listserv be used to notice upcoming meetings
- 6. Mrs. Brotman moved to approve the minutes of September 5th, 2019. Seconded by Mr. Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor.
- 7. Great River Hydro: Mr. Van Wie came to review and discuss various options concerning the Great River Hydro erosion issue. The sense of the Board is that if nothing changes operationally, the erosion will continue to occur if the dam license is reissued with the present regulations. The Board will continue to gather information and seek legal options to bring before the Town at a later date. The Board thanked Mr. Van Wie for coming to this meeting and sharing his expertise on the matter.
- 8. River Road/North Thetford Road river erosion failure area: Karen Henry gave the Board an overview of soil nailing as an option for repairing this section of road at a lower cost than

- the Army Corp of Engineers estimate. The Board reviewed the information and questions were asked and answered. There continues to be a real concern of bank failure and loss of the road at this location.
- 9. Budget: The Board reviewed the Budget Committee meeting. It is the Board's goal to hold the 2020 overall budget request to a 0% increase. August CPI is not available as of this date. Insurance numbers are not traditionally available until October. The Board will be meeting with department heads over the coming weeks.
- 10. Employee evaluations: The Board is working on employee evaluations. Next week the Board will meet with the Highway department employees starting at 8:00AM.
- 11. The manifest in the amount of \$324,898.27 (\$200,000 School appropriation) was reviewed and approved.
- 12. The Appalachian Trail head / parking area on Dorchester Road is presenting a problem for anticipated future road repairs. This project is not labeled as a high priority and may be delayed.
- 13. At 11:29AM Sahr moved to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (c). Seconded by Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote. The permitting status of the Hidden Valley project and the Hewes Brook bridge project were discussed. At 11:54AM the Board voted to re-enter public session, having voted to terminate two contracts with Right Angle Engineering.
- 14. At 11:55AM Sahr moved to enter into non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (c). Seconded by Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote.

 Matters which if discussed in public may affect the reputations of a person were discussed. At 12:15PM Kilham moved to re-enter public session. Voted unanimously in favor.
- 15. The Board discussed the Budget Committee meeting schedule. The Board will meet on Friday September 20, 2019 at 9:00AM for a budget workshop. The Board will invite Fire Chief Mundy to review the Fire Department budget request for next year at the workshop given his work schedule conflicts with Thursday mornings.
- 16. Baker Hill Road: Mr. Thompson will be getting information from DES concerning the permit.
- 17. There being no further business before the Board at this time Mr. Kilham moved to adjourn at 12:23 PM. Seconded by Mrs. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Dina Cutting