

TOWN OF LYME  
Select Board Meeting  
September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
9:00 AM  
Town Office Conference Room  
Approved: October 3, 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. Road Agent Steve Williams. Police Chief Shaun O'Keefe. Planning & Zoning Administrator, David Robbins. Members of the public: Sue MacKenzie and Bret Ryan.

1. At 9:00AM Chair Sahr called this meeting to order.
2. At 9:01 AM Mr. Sahr moved to enter non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (c). Motion seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote. Present in this session were Kevin Sahr, Judith Brotman, Ben Kilham and Dina Cutting  
At 9:15AM Mr. Sahr moved to re-enter public session. Motion seconded by Mr. Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote. No decisions were made in the non-public session.
3. The Board and Mr. Williams reviewed the following road projects:
  - River Road- Guard Rail price has not come in yet. The time line for the opening of River Road needs to be changed to mid-October.
  - Baker Hill Road- Concerns have been noted of the condition of the area that was ground and crushed. Mr. Williams does not wish to leave this over the weekend. The Highway department will take care of this. Chief O'Keefe noted more signage was needed. The contractor is waiting for DES to get back to them with permit information.
  - Hewes Brook – Mr. Sahr reported his conversation with the bridge contractor. This work can happen as late as December if necessary.
  - Dorchester Road- the Board and Mr. Williams reviewed this project. It was confirmed that this project is not on the prioritized list of roads that need work in the next 5 years. Followed a discussion concerning the funds being used on other road projects that meet the grant specifications, or doing part of the project (1 culvert only). Information will be gathered as to what the options are. The Board members will discuss this further at next week's meeting.  
The Board asked Mrs. Cutting to investigate the parking lot on Dorchester Road and its permissible use for road repair.  
The Highway department will be budgeting for roadside tree trimming again in the coming year.
4. Transfer Station: Mr. Matt Thebodo reviewed a dog bite incident that took place at the Transfer Station on Sunday. The Board and Mr. Thebodo reviewed various concerns and issues. Because the attendants need to reach into vehicles to retrieve recycling and trash containers, it creates a safety hazard for the employees. Mr. Thebodo recommended no dogs be allowed at the Transfer Station for the worker's safety. The Board supported this action. Mr. Thebodo reviewed a grant request for NH the Beautiful. The grant will cover

20% of a new compactor. Mr. Thebodo intends on applying to the Lyme Foundation to support and fund a new compactor to be used in the recycling program. The Board is in support of these applications. Mr. Sahr moved to approve the grant request to NH the Beautiful. Seconded by Mrs. Brotman.

5. Public Comments:

Road side trimming: Lack of road side trimming was again noted as a concern.

Transfer Station safety issues: The Board was cautioned to not jump to a decision concerning dogs and Transfer Station. After a brief discussion the Board will ask Mr. Thebodo to send a message on list serve explaining the incident of the dog bite at the transfer station, and come back to the Board with options to help solve this safety issue.

Mr. Bates came in with concerns of speeding on the new section of River Road once it is complete. He would like the Board to consider putting in speed bumps for safety reasons.

6. A manifest in the amount of \$ 410,880.39 (\$350,000 school appropriation) was reviewed and approved.
7. Mr. Kilham moved to approve the minutes of the September 19<sup>th</sup> public session. Seconded by Mrs. Brotman. The separate non-public minutes for RSA 91-A: 3 II (c) were not necessary. The minutes with changes offered were approved unanimously.
8. Mrs. Brotman moved to approve sealed non-public session of September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Seconded by Mr. Sahr. Voted unanimously in favor.
9. Mrs. Brotman moved to approve the minutes of September 20<sup>th</sup> Budget workshop. Seconded by Mr. Sahr. Voted unanimously in favor.
10. To continue budget review the Board will meet on Monday September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 9:00AM and move into employee evaluations at 10:00AM.
11. Mr. Sahr reviewed the idea of a user activated flashing light for the school crosswalk. Mr. Sahr will be applying to the Lyme Foundation for a grant with the Select Board in support of this grant application.
12. New England CPI rate was reviewed and discussed.
13. Robert Thebodo's retirement letter was read out loud. At this time Mrs. Brotman moved to accept this letter with regret and to thank Mr. Thebodo for all his years of service. Seconded by Mr. Sahr. Motion voted unanimously in favor.
14. Committee and Commissions: Ms. Brotman reported the Common Committee would like to get information on the cost for the burying of the phone lines. The Board reviewed the charge for this committee. Mr. Sahr noted the committee should be working on what are allowable functions, rules and uses of the common.
15. At 11:12 AM the Board took a brief break.
16. At 11:20AM Mr. Sahr moved to enter non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A: 3 II (l). Seconded by Mrs. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor by a roll call vote. Present for this discussion was Mr. Sahr, Mrs. Brotman, Mr. Kilham, Mr. Robbins and Mrs. Cutting.  
Legal matters were discussed.  
At 12:15PM Mr. Sahr moved to re-enter public session. Seconded by Ms. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor.
17. At 12:15PM Mr. Kilham moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mrs. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dina Cutting