## TOWN OF LYME Select Board Meeting January 27th, 2022 9:00 AM

## Approved February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022

The following people were present for part or all of the meeting: Select Board members Judith Brotman, Benjamin Kilham and David Kahn; Administrator Dina Cutting Public: Hebe Quinton, Alex (Reporter for Journal Opinion), John Biglow, Michael Whitman.

A quorum of the Board will be meeting at 1 High Street, Lyme Town Office. The Board will be meeting via zoom and in person. The location of the meeting will be at the Town Offices at 1 High Street. If you come in person you must wear a mask when entering the building and while in the conference room.

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Topic: Select Board meeting

Time: Jan 27, 2022 09:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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- 1. At 9:08 AM Mrs. Brotman opened the meeting.
- 2. The Select Board is using the Owl camera for Zoom during this meeting, to allow the public video access to the meeting.
- 3. Public comment: Hebe Quinton expressed to the Board her concerns on the elderly exemption qualifications. Ms. Quinton believes updating these requirements should be a priority of the Board. Mrs. Brotman assured Ms. Quinton that it is on their list of things to address.
- 4. Road agent, Scott Bailey, gave an update on the Highway Department:
  - ✓ The highway employees have been doing a lot of sanding and plowing
  - ✓ Sand and gravel bids have gone out to the public as of January 27th, 2022.
- 5. Mr. Kilham moved to approve the minutes from the meeting of Thursday January 13th, 2022. Mr. Kahn seconded the motion. Voted unanimously in favor by roll call vote.
- 6. Mr. Kilham moved to approve the minutes from the meeting of Thursday January 20th, 2022. Mr. Kahn seconded the motion. Voted unanimously in favor by roll call vote.
- 7. Mr. Kilham moved to approve two manifests. Mr. Kahn seconded the motion. Voted unanimously in favor by roll call vote. The Board signed the manifests.
- 8. Posting of Meetings, Minutes, Agendas, etc:
  - ✓ The Board reviewed a proposed procedure for posting meetings, minutes, agendas, etc for the public information.
- 9. Review the proposed warrant articles for Overseer of Welfare, Tax Collector, and Treasurer- to change these positions from elected to appointed positions.
  - ✓ The Treasurer agrees with the proposed warrant article, due to the technicality of the responsibilities.

- ✓ The Tax Collector does not agree with the proposed warrant article. Since historically it has been an elected position she feels it should stay that way.
- ✓ The Board did not hear back from the Overseer of Welfare, but when this article was proposed last year she was in favor of it.
- ✓ After this discussion the Board is still in favor of these three warrant articles being included in the 2022 Town Meeting Warrant.
- 10. Town Meeting will be on March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The election and the business portion will be in person at this point in time. If any emergency orders are given by the State before then adjustments may be made to this meeting.
- 11. The Board briefly discussed having Little Town Meeting on Zoom so that the public and presenters feel safe. The Board is going to further consider this option on having Little Town Meeting on Zoom and make a decision at a future date.
- 12. Mr. Kilham has been approached by a citizen asking what the Town can do to help the E. Thetford Bridge project move forward. Mr. Kahn is going to reach out to the project manager of the bridge project and see if someone is available to speak with the Select Board to explain the current status of the project.
- 13. At 10:05 AM Mrs. Brotman moved to go into non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A: 3 II (c) reputation Present at this this non-public session were Judith Brotman, Ben Kilham, David Kahn and Dina Cutting.
- 14. At 10:25 The Select Board returned to public session having taken no action.
- 15. At 10:26 Mr. Kilham moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Kahn. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

## Jordan Toland

Interested Lyme residents are welcome to attend in person. Masks will be required and appropriate social distancing will be observed. As a convenience to Lyme residents, we will also attempt to permit participation electronically via Zoom, however, electronic participation can be subject to various technological challenges, some of which are outside the Town's control or beyond our technical ability to address. In the past, some residents who have attempted to participate in meetings electronically have been unable to do so or have otherwise been dissatisfied. While we will always try hard to get the technology to work properly, if participation in this meeting is important to you, in-person attendance is more reliable and considerably less prone to technical problems.