

TOWN OF LYME
Select Board Meeting
February 9, 2017
8:00AM

Town Office conference Room
Approved: February 16, 2017

The following people were present for part or all of the meeting: Select Board members: Susan J. MacKenzie (Chair), Patricia G. Jenks and Jay Smith. Police Chief: Shaun O'Keefe.

Administrative Assistant, Dina Cutting. Overseer of Welfare, Nancy Grandine. Community members Rich Brown and guest Liz Cole

1. At 8:00 AM-MacKenzie called the meeting to order
2. Jenks moved to approve the public minutes of February 2, 2017. Seconded by Smith. Voted unanimously in favor.
3. Matters arising:
 - Holt's Ledge: The Conservation Commission will be having a survey done of the endangered species on the Town property. Smith will draft a notice informing all that nothing will be done to finalize anything until the survey has been done.
 - Sand for residents, this needs to be thought about and discussed with Williams and Bailey.
 - Surveillance cameras for the garage will be priced.
 - Community Care of Lyme will be renting the office space at the Lyme Center Academy.
 - The Lebanon Municipal Solid Waste agreement was reviewed. The board would like to continue this with the City of Lebanon. MacKenzie will sign the contract.
 - Petitioned warrant articles review:
 1. Assessing Board: The board reviewed and discussed the petitioned article for 3-person Assessing Board. After reviewing the board's responsibilities and statutory requirements, it was the sense of the board to not recommend this article. Jenks moved to not recommend the petitioned article. Seconded by MacKenzie. Voted unanimously in favor. The board had a lively discussion on the abatement process. Todd Haywood will be meeting with the board in April and working with him a system will be set up for the abatement process.
4. Rich Brown and Liz Cole-Loch Lyme Lodge: A review of the pocket neighborhood proposal took place. The group discussed the petitioned articles, the Planning Board, zoning ordinances, and the time this group has been working to get a plan in place. MacKenzie noted the town cannot continue with the same structure and would like to discuss this with the Planning Board to see if the 2 groups can work together to get this settled. The CIP needs to be updated. The suggestion of forming a sub-committee to address these types of issues was suggested.
5. Matters arising cont.:
 - Petitioned warrant article: Civil rights: The board reviewed this petitioned article. Upon review of the Article, the implication that town officials and municipal employees may not be treating people fairly and with civility was extremely concerning. At least one employee stated they were offended that the context of the document made this implication. The directive that the Town Clerk communicate specific information to major government officials was noted. The sense of the Board was that to endorse this clearly political statement was inappropriate. MacKenzie moved to make no comment on this petitioned article. Seconded by Jenks. Voted unanimously in favor.
6. Milfoil Grant: The board reviewed the grant documents. Smith moved to have MacKenzie sign these documents for the board. Seconded by Jenks. Voted unanimously in favor. The board will

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be having a public hearing on this issue Feb. 16th, 2017

7. The board reviewed the expenditures and revenues. These had been sent via e-mail earlier. The warrant was reviewed also. These documents will be posted for Town meeting with the MS-737 and put in the Town Report.
8. Committees & Commissions:
 - Coffee hour: Vicki Smith came with concerns over Dowd's lights. It was noted they are the same lights Stella's have. The board is still investigating this and will not move forward until they feel they have all the necessary information.
 - Conservation Commission: Concerned over the LUCT article. They will be at Town Meeting to discuss this.
 - Mackenzie went to the Kindergarten meeting and felt it was informative.
 - Watershed counsel is still pushing for mitigation.
 - Roads Committee: The public meeting was contentious. Mr. Tensen indicated he has another engineering report etc. but did not share them; he is saving them for Town Meeting. Mr. Roby threatened to sue the Town all the way to the Supreme Court on the matter of the River Road re-route eminent domain.
9. Police: The applicant will be able to come to the board with in the next few weeks to meet and discuss a job offer.
10. Nancy Grandine, Overseer of Public Welfare: Grandine reviewed some background information and informed the board as to what protocol she uses for each client. Application, job hunting, disability, work, and how this all works into the formula of Overseer of Welfare. Grandine will be placing a lien on a property in town and will be sending a letter to a family member to see if the family member can help support a client.
11. Smith noted an e-mail from Dave Celone requesting the skating Olympics be March 4th with a bad weather date of March 11th, 2017. Chief O'Keefe was asked if this would work with the Police department schedule. March 4th was workable. Cutting will let Mr. Celone know.
12. Jenks reported February 17th, 2017 the State will be closed down. She will be in the office but will not be able to process any state information. No staff working that day.
13. There being no further business Smith moved to adjourn at 10:15AM. Seconded by MacKenzie. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dina Cutting