

TOWN OF LYME
Select Board Meeting
February 26th, 2020
9:00 AM
Town Office Conference Room
Approved: March 12th, 2020

The following people were present for part or all of the meeting: Select Board: Kevin Sahr, Judith Brotman and Benjamin Kilham. Administrative Assistant Dina Cutting.

Community members: Sue MacKenzie, Rusty Keith, David Roby, David Russ, Hoyt & Marianne Alverson.

Crossroads Academy: Phil Harrison, Brad Hoyt and David Kahn.

1. At 9:03AM Chair Sahr called the meeting to order.
2. Crossroads: The Board, Mr. Robbins, and Crossroads reviewed the project, the present easement and the possible changes in the easement. The documented agreement with Crossroads and the Town does not end up being an easement. To avoid confusion the current easement will be voided. Crossroads will have a new easement drawn up. The change in course of the stream will be noted and accommodated for. The description will include verbiage that allows for these natural changes. Protecting the beaver habitat was discussed. The easement holder will be Upper Valley Land Trust. Crossroads talked about moving forward in the permitting process. Crossroads will produce a draft of the easement. The Town's attorney will review the language. Before any approvals or permit is given the easement process must be completed.
3. Public Comment: Ms. MacKenzie presented a petition. This petition requested the Board move to table or withdraw Article 16 from the upcoming town meeting agenda. The petitioners would like more public discussion concerning the old section of the River Road. Various residents spoke to what they felt was going to be a dangerous (the new section of River Road) road to ride a bike, walk or walk your dog. The Board accepted this petition and noted that it is too late to have any legal affect. Followed was a discussion concerning the old road and the new road make-up. The petitioned warrant article #2 was discussed. Mr. Roby made a statement concerning the Planning Board and the Select Board speaking out about this article. He encouraged them to make a public statement against this article. He referred to his attorney's opinion that this would not be electioneering. The Board was encouraged to use the Lyme listserve as a communication tool. The Board thanked all for coming.
4. The Board reviewed questions and draft answers to the Valley News concerning the Town Warrant articles. The sense of the Board was to have Cutting send the responses as agreed upon at this meeting.
5. The Board discussed the option of commenting on the petitioned warrant article #2. After a brief discussion the sense of the Board was to encourage the Planning Board to make a public statement making their recommendations on petitioned warrant article #2 widely available to the Legislative body.

6. Mr Kilham moved to accept the minutes of the February 20, 2020 meeting. Seconded by Mrs. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor with changes noted.
7. Mrs. Brotman moved to accept the minutes of the February 25, 2020 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Kilham Voted unanimously in favor.
8. Mrs. Brotman moved to approve the manifest in the amount of \$24,364.54. Seconded by Mr. Sahr. Voted unanimously in favor.
9. The Board reviewed the information for town meeting. There will be handout available for both Town meetings and the will be shown as a slide presentation.
10. The Municipal Vehicle CRF was reviewed and the total noted \$28,520.20.
11. Commissions and Committee reports:
Recreation Commission: The commission discussed Pickle ball as a new sport. The tennis courts would be used for this game. The group will be gathering information for costs of startup equipment and will come back to the Commission with ideas and possibly a grant request for review.
12. Noted the Lyme Center Academy policy and lease need to be worked on soon.
13. Set up for Little Town Meeting and Town Meeting were reviewed.
14. The survey for the River Road by pass needs to be confirmed. Mrs. Cutting to do this.
15. At 12:05PM Mr. Kilham moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mrs. Brotman. Voted unanimously in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Dina Cutting