

TOWN OF LYME  
Select Board Meeting  
Tuesday January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
10:00 AM  
Town Office Conference Room & Zoom  
Approved: January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026

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, and Assessing/Select Board Clerk Jordan Gray (via zoom), Fire Chief Aaron Rich  
Public: Conservation Commission Chair Blake Alison, Rich Brown, Phil Kinsler

1. At 10:08 AM Mrs. Brotman opened the public meeting.
2. Public comment:
  - Mr. Kinsler gave a brief report that the library boiler needs repairs.
  - Mr. Brown asked if the information on the old website will be on the new one. Mrs. Cutting explained that we are working through some technical issues and the archived minutes and documents will be available. If someone finds they need information not listed on the website they should contact Jordan Gray in the Select Board/Assessing office. Mr. Brown also asked if the budgeted amount under the assessing program, Avitar, includes money for the expanded internet kiosk. Mrs. Brotman informed him that it does not include an expanded license, but individuals are able to subscribe themselves if they wish. Residents can also ask the office staff and to provide additional information for them.
3. Mr. Allison, Chair of Conservation Commission, came before the Board to review the warrant article submitted by the Conservation Commission pertaining to placing a conservation easement on the Town Forest. The intent of this warrant article is to protect the forest for years to come. The Town Forest contains valued wildlife habitats and archeological sites relevant to the history of the town. This project will be funded by the conservation fund.
4. Fire Chief, Aaron Rich, came before the Board to discuss the proposed purchase of a repeater. Currently there is no clean way to communicate with school directly. This device would eliminate this problem and permit both the school and town frequencies (Fire, Police) to communicate directly. Quote estimate from Burlington Communications totals \$10,954.00. Mr. Kahn moved to approve the purchase of the repeater from Burlington Communications totaling \$10,954.00. Mr. Kilham seconded. Voted unanimously in favor.
5. Fire Chief Aaron Rich announced that this will be his last year as Chief, and he is spending time looking for someone to replace him. Chief Rich suggested the Board discuss building inspections and the procedure for how these are handled.
6. Mrs. Brotman moved to approve the minutes from the meeting on Tuesday, December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Seconded by Mr. Kahn. Voted unanimously in favor.
7. Mr. Kilham moved to approve the manifest totaling \$77,416.20. Mrs. Brotman seconded. Voted unanimously in favor.
8. The Board reviewed two warrant articles:

- Milfoil Treatment for Post Pond: Mr. Kilham moved to recommend this warrant article be brought to Town Meeting. Mr. Kahn seconded. Voted unanimously in favor (3-0).
  - Authorization to put a Conservation Easement on the Town Forest: Mr. Kilham moved to recommend this warrant article be brought to Town Meeting. Mrs. Brotman seconded. Voted two in favor and one (Mr. Kahn) opposed (2-1).
9. At 11:05 AM Mrs. Brotman moved enter nonpublic session under RSA 91A:3 II (c) Reputation. Mr. Kahn seconded the motion. Voted unanimously in favor. Present for this nonpublic session were Mrs. Brotman, Mr. Kahn, Mr. Kilham, Mrs. Cutting and Stephen Small. A personnel discussion took place.
  10. At 11:31AM the Select Board returned to public session having taken no action.
  11. The employee end-of-year earned time was reviewed by the Select Board. The Select Board was in favor of allowing carryover of unused time. This time must be used in a reasonable amount of time.
  12. Mr. Kilham moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Kahn. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Jordan Gray