Town of Lyme
Budget Committee
February 3rd, 2010
7:00PM
Town Office/Police Station
Conference Room

Public Hearing on the Town and School Proposed 2010 budgets

Approved: September 15th, 2010

Present at this meeting: Budget Committee Members: Judith Brotman, Richard Jones, Josh Kilham, Mark Schiffman, William Lewis, Dick Justice, Tim Cook, Morton Bailey, & Freda Swan. Selectmen: Simon Carr & Charles Ragan. Scribe: Dina Cutting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Brotman.

Ms. Lewis moved to approve the minutes of the January 27th 2010 Public Hearing. Seconded by Mr. Kilham. The minutes were voted unanimously in favor with Ms. Swan abstaining.

Ms. Brotman opened the Public Hearing at 7:02PM.

Ms. Swan moved to approve the Town Operating Budget at \$2,009,520. Seconded by Mr. Lewis. Comments were made concerning some wording changes. The word "Town" will be added to each article.

The motion was voted unanimously in favor. (8-0)

Mr. Lewis moved to approve To Capital Reserve Funds & Trust Funds at \$321,250. Seconded by Mr. Schiffman.

The motion was voted unanimously in favor. (8-0)

Ms. Swan moved to approve Withdrawal from Capital Reserve Funds and Expendable Trust Funds at \$268,000. Seconded by Mr. Kilham The motion was voted unanimously in favor. (8-0)

Mr. Schiffman moved to approve Withdrawal from the Cemetery Maintenance Gifts and Donations Fund at \$15,633. Seconded by Mr. Cook.

The motion was voted unanimously in favor. (8-0)

Mr. Schiffman moved to approve Transfer Funds from the Cemetery Special Revenue Fund into the New Cemetery Capital Reserve Fund at \$350. Seconded by Mr. Kilham. The motion was voted unanimously in favor. (8-0)

Ms. Swan moved to approve Independence Day Celebration Special Revenue Fund at \$8,400. Seconded by Mr. Kilham.

The motion was voted unanimously in favor. (8-0)

Mr. Jones moved to approve Appropriating monies to put into Blisters For Books Expendable Trust Fund at \$5,985.25. Seconded by Mr. Schiffman.

The motion was voted unanimously in favor. (8-0)

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Mr. Schiffman offered a correction to Article 2. The sentence should read the following: "This article does <u>not</u> include the amounts requested in articles 3 & 4, but <u>does</u> include the amounts included in 5"

Mr. Jones moved to approve Article 2, The School district budget at \$4,743,506. Seconded by Mr. Kilham.

The Warrant Articles for the High school Tuition Fund and the Special Education Reserve Fund were both discussed.

The motion was voted 7 in favor, 1 against (Lewis).

Mr. Jones moved to approve to approve Article 3 in the amount of up to \$50,000.00, High School Tuition Fund. Followed was a brief explanation concerning the article. This money will be put in the fund only if there is a surplus from the end of the school year. The motion was voted 6 in favor, 2 against (Lewis & Bailey).

Ms. Swan moved to approve article 4 in the amount of up to \$50,000, Special Education Reserve Fund. Seconded by Mr. Jones.

The motion was voted 7 in favor, 1 against (Lewis).

Mr. Kilham moved to approve article 5. Seconded by Mr. Schiffman. The motion was approved unanimously (8-0).

Ms. Brotman reminded all of little Town Meeting on March 2, 2010. Mr. Lewis thanked the School Board and the Selectmen for working hard on the budget this year.

At 8:45pm Mr. Jones moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Kilham. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Dina Cutting