Town of Lyme
Budget Committee
February 2, 2011
7:00PM
Town Office/Police Station
Conference Room

PUBLIC HEARING

Approved: September 7th, 2011

Present at this meeting: Budget Committee Members: Judy Brotman, Simon Carr, Laszlo Bardos, Earl Strout, Elizabeth Glenshaw, Morton Bailey, Tim Cook, and Robin Taylor. School Representative: Kate Semple-Barta. School Board chairman: Mark Schiffman. Library Treasurer: Mardi Bowles. Scribe: Dina Cutting.

- 1. The Budget Committee meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Chair Brotman.
- 2. Mr. Carr moved to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2011 meeting. Seconded by Mr. Cook. Voted unanimously in favor.
- 3. The Public Hearing on the proposed Warrant Articles was opened at 7:05PM (A copy of the proposed Warrant Articles is attached to these minutes.)
- 4. Ms. Brotman offered a time for general comments. There were none.
- 5. Town Warrant:
 - **Article 6:** Mr. Carr moved to recommend Article 6. Seconded by Mr. Bardos. Motion voted unanimously in favor.
 - **Article 7:** Mr. Carr moved to recommend Article 7. Seconded by Mr. Taylor. Mr. Carr offered a brief explanation and a discussion followed. Motion voted unanimously in favor.
 - Article 8: Mr. Carr moved to recommend Article 8. Seconded by Ms. Glenshaw. Mr. Carr and Ms. Cutting as a Recreation Commission member, offered a brief explanation and a discussion followed. Motion voted unanimously in favor.
 - Article 9: Mr. Carr moved to recommend Article 9. Seconded by Mr. Bardos. A brief discussion took place concerning up-coming bridge repairs. Motion voted unanimously in favor.
 - **Article 10:** Article 10 was passed over in order to allow the Library Treasurer to be present for the discussion.
 - **Article 11:** Mr. Carr moved to recommend Article 11. Seconded by Mr. Strout. Motion voted unanimously in favor.
 - **Article 12:** Mr. Carr moved to recommend Article 12. Seconded by Ms. Semple-Barta. Motion voted unanimously in favor.
 - **Article 13:** Mr. Carr moved to recommend Article 13. Seconded by Mr. Taylor. Motion voted unanimously in favor.

• Article 16: Mr. Carr move to recommend Article 16. Seconded by Ms. Semple-Barta. It was explained that Articles 14 & 15 propose to close 2 Capital Reserve Funds which are no longer necessary. The \$907.00 is the total of these 2 funds, and this article will put these funds in the Public Works Facility CRF. Motion voted unanimously in favor.

6. School Warrant:

- Article 3: Mr. Carr moved to recommend Article 3. Seconded by Ms. Semple-Barta. Followed was a brief discussion concerning the rules on how to spend this money, who is going to oversee this decision, and what this money may be used for. This fund can be disbanded or changed in the future with a vote at School district meeting. Motion voted 7 in favor, 1 opposed (Bailey).
- **Article 4:** Mr. Carr moved to recommend Article 4. Seconded by Ms. Glenshaw. Motion voted 7 in favor, 1 opposed (Cook).
- **Article 5:** Mr. Carr moved to recommend Article 5. Seconded by Ms. Semple-Barta. Motion voted unanimously in favor.
- 7. Ms Bowles, Treasurer for the Library, arrived for the discussion concerning Article 10, Converse Free Library Water System Upgrade.
 - Article 10: Mr. Carr moved to recommend Article 10. Seconded by Ms. Glenshaw. The Lyme Water Association was explained and discussed. This article gives the Selectmen the authority to sign a promissory note to allow for the up-grade of the water system that services the Town and School Library. Motion voted unanimously in favor.
- 8. At 8:00PM Mr. Strout moved to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Cook. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dina Cutting