

**Lyme Planning Board Minutes  
April/14/2011**

Board Members and Staff Present: David Roby, Chair; John Stadler Vice Chair; Richard Vidal Select Board Representative; Vicki Smith Member; Tim Cook Member  
David Robbins Planning and Zoning Administrator

Board Members Absent: Freda Swan Alternate; Ben Kilham Alternate Sam Greene Alternate;

Members of the Public Present: Nathan Baker, Paul Arno, Daid Crane, Mary Klee, Paul Klee, Bill Waste, Wayne Bates, Stephan Rich, Walter Wetherell, Matt Brown, Chris Brown, Kris Bujarski, Yolanda Bujarski

**Item 1: Public hearing for tree trimming on certain scenic roads by PSHN**

Chairman Roby opened the public hearing at 7:02 pm and read the notice sent to all property owners abutting the power lines where the proposed trimming would take place.

Chairman Roby described to the attending public that according to the RSA 231:158, a tree is defined as any woody plant which has a circumference of 15 inches or more at a point 4 feet from the ground. Anything smaller would be considered as brush and could be cut. Chairman Roby asked David Crane, PSNH arborist in charge of the proposed tree trimming to describe the proposed trimming. David gave an overview of the specifications that PSNH uses to determine what needs to be trimmed. He stated that the specification was to trim anything that was 8 feet horizontally from the line, 10 feet under the line and 15 feet over the line. The intent is to cut back any trees that could grow into the lines within the next 4-5 years.

Several members of the public had questions specific to the trimming on their property. David Crane asked that if anyone would like to meet with the trimming crew prior to the work being started to meet with him in the foyer after the hearing and he would set up times to meet with the individuals.

Chairman Roby then asked if there were any more questions from the members of the public or the Board members, there being none he stated that the board would vote on the proposed trimming at the next meeting on April 28<sup>th</sup> 2011.

Chairman Roby then closed the Public Hearing at 7:35 pm and opened the Planning Board meeting.

**Item 2: Acceptance of minutes from March/24<sup>th</sup>/2011**

John motioned to accept the minutes as submitted.

Tim seconded the motion

Three members voted to approve with Vicki and Richard abstaining as they did not attend the meeting on March 24<sup>th</sup>.

### **Item 3: Election of Planning Board Chair and Vice Chair**

John nominated David Roby as Chairman of the Planning Board for a one year term.  
Vicki seconded the nomination.  
Four members of the Board voted affirmative with David abstaining.

David nominated John Stadler to serve as Vice Chair for the term of one year.  
Vicki seconded the nomination.  
Four members of the Board voted affirmative with John abstaining.

### **Item 4: Appointment of Frank Bowles to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for the Term of 3 years.**

Vicki moved to appoint Frank Bowles to the Zoning Board of Adjustment for the Term of 3 years.  
John seconded the motion  
The motion passed unanimously.

### **Item 5: New business**

#### Work Force Housing

John has been looking into the requirements for workforce housing in Lyme. He discussed with the Board the work he has completed up to date and what information he still needed to gather as well as the requirements from the state.

Vicki suggested that he contact the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission because she understood that they were doing a similar analysis for the entire region.

#### Master Plan

John voiced a concern about the recommendations in the Master Plan relaying the residents desire to concentrate development in the village centers. His concern is that this is not practicable because of septic system and water supply issues. The Board discussed the possibility of expansion in the Lyme Common Village including the eventual need for a public septic treatment facility.

#### Edgell Covered Bridge

Tim has talked to the State DOT about the four columns in Clay Brook to the East of the bridge with cables that run to the bridge. The Planning Board wanted to know the purpose of the columns and cables and if they are still required. According to the state DOT representative that Tim talked to, any request would have to come from the Select Board. David suggested that someone talk to Dick Jones to see if he would be willing to research the columns. Richard agreed that he would contact Dick.

Site Plan Review for work at the Lyme Inn

The Planning and Zoning Administrator spoke with the Board about plans from the Lyme Inn for some site work. He reviewed with the Board a general overview of the proposed work. The consensus of the board was that the project should go through Site Plan Review.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm

Respectfully Submitted

David A. Robbins

Lyme Planning and Zoning Administrator.