Town of Lyme Board of Selectmen Minutes for April 24, 2008

- 1. The regular meeting of the Board of Selectmen convened at 8:00 AM with the following attending all or part of the meeting: Simon Carr (chair), Charles Ragan (member), Dick Jones (member), Dina Cutting (bookkeeper/secretary), Pauline Field (police chief), Mike Woodard (Town Offices Building Committee), Don Metz (Town Offices Building Committee), Ray Clark (public), Pete Mulvihill (Recreation Commission) and Ruth Bleyler (State Representative).
- 2. Simon opened the meeting by saying that issues had arisen with regards to the noticing of the Budget Committee's public hearing on the bond for the new Town offices. Although "posted" on time on the public bulletin boards, the legal notice in the newspaper was published one day late. Dick moved and Simon seconded a motion to go into non-public session under the authority of RSA 91-A:3 II(d) maters which relate to the buying, selling and leasing of property. The motion carried unanimously and the Board went into non-public session at 8:10.
- The Board returned to public session at 9:05 having discussed various alternatives for remediation of the late publishing of the Budget Committee's hearing notice and their impacts on the Town's closing on the RECREATE property.
- 4. The Post Pond boat launch facility was discussed with Dina and Pauline. Boats are being left at the facility in spite of the sign prohibiting the practice and warnings issued by the police. Pauline reported that most of the boats are unregistered and the police cannot determine their owners. Dina reported that the Recreation Commission has scheduled a discussion of a proposed canoe and kayak rack on Town property for their meeting next week. It was decided to "cover" the existing sign and not take additional enforcement action pending revision of the applicable by-laws and resolution of the canoe and kayak storage rack proposal.
- 5. Pete came in to discuss the Balch Field improvements and implementation of the revised Water Level Policy. Dick reported that a new Town gauge should be coming in this week, but it was still too early to take any addition action due to the high winter runoff. The Board approved and signed the change order/modifications to the Pathways contract for engineering design and permit preparation for the improvements.
- 6. The minutes of the April 17th and 20th meetings were approved subject to the correction of a typographic error.
- 7. The following administrative actions were taken:
 - a. Ben Barrowes' intent to cut on map 401 lot 27 was approved.
 - b. The sale of a cemetery lot to Sam and Priscilla Power was approved.

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- c. The veteran's tax credit application for C. Jay Smith on map 414 lot 37 was reviewed and approved.
- d. The manifest was reviewed and approved.
- e. Recording of the Keane corrective conservation easement deed was approved.
- f. The corrections to the NHDOT road inventory map and their database was reviewed and approved.
- 8. Dick moved and Simon seconded a motion to go into non-public session under the authority of RSA 91-A:3 II(c) maters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person" for consideration of an employee benefits issue. The motion carried unanimously and the Board went into non-public session at 9:45.
- 9. The Board returned to public session at 9:50 having voted to resolve the issue in the employee's favor as it was due to the Town's administrative error.
- 10. Ruth came in to update the Board on the possibility and procedures for a legislative correction of the bond notice error. The corrective legislation will be discussed as an amendment to an existing Senate Bill to be heard by the House Finance Committee this week.
- 11. The meeting adjourned at 10:03.

R. G. Jones recorder