

Town of Lyme  
Board of Selectmen  
Minutes for June 19, 2008

1. At 8:00 am Simon called the meeting to order. The following attended all or part of the meeting: Simon Car (chair), Charles Ragan (member), Dick Jones (member), Dina Cutting (bookkeeper/secretary) Shaun O'Keefe (police officer) and the following members of the Lyme Center Academy Building Committee: Wayne Bates, Don Elder, Sallie Ramsden and Chris Schonenberger.
2. At 8:00 Simon opened the public hearing on proposed changes to the "Recreation Area By-Law". At 8:03 the Board returned to its regular meeting. Simon then moved and Charles seconded a motion to approve the proposed changes to the "Recreation Area By-Law" as presented at the public hearing. The motion carried unanimously.
3. The Academy Building Committee came in to discuss several issues that had come up involving the safety of the existing swing set, possible expansion of the parking lot and additions to the playground equipment. Sallie described the "plans" approved several years ago for the playground and parking lot that had been approved by the Planning Board's site plan review. Don reported that sand had been installed around the existing swing set and hardware obtained to meet the CPSC's recommended standards. Sallie also reported on memorial gifts of a bench and funds for additional playground equipment. After a discussion, it was agreed to install the new hardware and put the existing swing set in operation in its current location. In addition the committee agreed to hold public discussions/meetings with the residents of Lyme Center to get input on what those most affected wanted for future parking and playground equipment at the Academy Building.
4. The following administrative actions were discussed and actions taken:
  - a. The manifest was reviewed and approved.
  - b. The public hearing and regular meeting minutes of June 12<sup>th</sup> and regular meeting minutes of June 18<sup>th</sup> were approved with minor corrections and an amendment to the June 12<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes.
  - c. A land use change tax of \$241.28 was assessed on Richard and Lucie Bourdon's property (map 402, lot 21).
  - d. The following intent to cut applications were approved:
    - i. Bill Ploog & Pat Erwin      Map 407 lot 55
    - ii. Robert Jenks                      Map 404 Lot 17
    - iii. Ann Griswold                      Map 407 Lot 61
    - iv. Helen Darion                      Map 407 Lot 123
    - v. William Nichols                      Map 421 Lot 20

- e. The Board voted unanimously to abate the interest and fees of \$48.44 on Kathy Jenks mobile home as recommended by the tax collector.
  - f. Dick briefly reviewed the CIP Committee's Monday meeting and asked permission to sign on behalf of the Board a letter to all department heads requesting their input on capital projects. The Board authorized him to sign the letters for the Board.
  - g. Dick briefly reviewed the UVLSRPC's annual meeting and his informal discussions about possible bus service to Lyme. Advance Transit, due in large part to the impact of the increase in the cost of diesel fuel, is not able to expand service. Lyme's low density and lack of parking for a commuter bus stop make the use of the bus stop at the Thetford park-and-ride the only viable current option.
  - h. Dina reported that the beach clean-up is scheduled for this Saturday and lifeguards will be on duty starting then and daily from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm through the summer.
  - i. Simon reported on the Energy Committee's request to change their charge to permit additional members. The Board unanimously agreed not to change the charge or expand the committee's membership.
  - j. The "final" new town offices bond documents were reviewed approved and signed.
  - k. The Independence Day celebration fireworks permit was approved and signed.
  - l. Additional discussions of pending issues (use of the transfer station by not-for-profit organizations, illegal dumping at the transfer station, complaint about a manure pile, the drainage off Highbridge Road, and transfer station staffing) took place without any action being taken.
5. At 9:53 Simon moved and Charles seconded a motion to go into non-public session under the authority of RSA 91-A:3 II(c) – matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person” for discussion of a hardship abatement application and a preliminary personnel evaluation. The motion carried unanimously.
6. At 10:30 the Board returned to public session having voted to grant a hardship abatement in the amount of \$3,605.76 plus interest and fees.
7. The meeting adjourned at 10:30.

R. G. Jones  
recorder