

Town of Lyme
Board of Selectmen
Minutes for July 31, 2008

1. At 8:00 am Simon called the meeting to order. The following attended all or part of the meeting: Simon Carr (chair), Charles Ragan (member), Dick Jones (member), Jennifer Cook (cemetery commissioner), Pauline Field (police chief), Patty Jenks (town clerk), Adair Mulligan (Connecticut River Joint Commissions), Dan Quinn (transfer station supervisor) and Jean Smith (cemetery commissioner).
2. At 8:00 Simon opened a public hearing on whether to accept a gift from the Lyme Foundation to purchase a defibrillator for the Town beach. At 8:03 the Board returned to its regular meeting. Dick moved and Simon seconded a motion to accept the gift of \$1,700 for a defibrillator, which passed unanimously.
3. Simon moved and Dick seconded a motion to go into non-public session under authority of RSA 91-A:3 II(b) the hiring of any person as a public employee. The motion carried unanimously, and the board went into non-public session at 8:08. The board returned to public session at 8:22 having decided to offer the position of “transfer station attendant” to Robbie Harlow at a starting pay of \$9.50 per hour.
4. The following administrative matters were discussed and actions taken:
 - a. The July 24th public session’s and two non-public sessions’ minutes were reviewed and approved as submitted.
 - b. The manifest was reviewed and approved.
 - c. Simon updated the Board on the status of the new Town Offices.
 - d. Dan informed the Board the household hazardous waste days were scheduled for August 23rd and September 18th at the Lebanon city dump.
 - e. The draft letter to John Koska on drainage issues by his property on Highbridge Road was reviewed and approved for signature.
 - f. John Campbell’s request to replace a blocked long-standing sump drain running across the Lyme Center Academy Building property was reviewed and approved.
5. Adair came in to ask the Board’s support of a grant request by the Connecticut River Joint Commissions for support of public meetings to explain their new water resources chapter of the “Connecticut River Management Plan”. The Board reviewed and approved her draft letter of support, and authorized Simon to sign it on behalf of the Board.

On another issue, the Board discussed with her the offer to mow the Hewes Brook car-top boat launch. It was agreed that the offer would not be accepted because the same volunteers have been maintaining the area for several years under Conservation

Commission guidelines. Simon was authorized to sign a thank you letter to the former on behalf of the Board.

6. Jean and Jennifer came in to discuss cemetery issues in light of the requirements of RSA 289. No decisions were made.
7. Dick moved and Simon seconded a motion to go into non-public session under authority of RSA 91-A:3 II(e) consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation. The motion carried unanimously, and the board went into non-public session at 9:38. The board returned to public session at 9:56 having voted unanimously by roll call vote not to make the minutes of the non-public session available to the public.
8. The meeting adjourned at 9:58.

R. G. Jones
recorder