

Town of Lyme  
Board of Selectmen  
Minutes for October 9, 2008

1. At 8:00 am Simon opened the meeting. The following attended all or part of the meeting: Simon Carr (chair), Charles Ragan (member), Dick Jones (member), Dina Cutting (bookkeeper/secretary), Pauline Field (police chief), Dan Quinn (transfer station supervisor), Fred Stearns (road agent) and Bill Lewis.
2. Fred came in to review his 2009 budget request, which includes a requested increase of \$11,310 for “highway regular” and \$29,759 for “highway winter” or an overall increase of 7.3% driven by the increases in fuel and winter materials costs.
3. Dan came in to discuss alternative proposals for transfer station bags and a noise complaint. No decisions were made until samples from the various manufacturers are received and reviewed.
4. The following administrative matters were discussed and actions taken:
  - a. The October 2<sup>nd</sup> public and non-public sessions’, public hearing and October 3<sup>rd</sup> emergency meeting minutes were approved with three typo corrections.
  - b. The manifest was reviewed and approved.
  - c. The Forest Society’s intent to cut on map 401 lots 5, 6, 8 and 12 was signed.
  - d. A cemetery lot sale was approved on behalf of Joyce Gray.
  - e. Francesca’s requested vacation from October 31<sup>st</sup> through November 7<sup>th</sup> was approved.
  - f. The churches’ requested use of the Common for an “animal blessing” on November 2<sup>nd</sup> was discussed.
  - g. Simon briefed the Board that the Town Offices Building Committee was commencing work on the interior layout/furnishing of the new building. It was also agreed that for budget purposes the new building would be treated as a single entity.
  - h. Simon briefed the Board on the need for wetlands mitigation in preparing the wetlands permit application for the Balch Field/Chase Beach project. Dick confirmed the Conservation Commission’s non-objection to easements on conservation lands as long as they were approved at Town Meeting.
5. Bill came in to discuss the first draft of changes to the town’s Personnel Policies. He said that he felt that the proposed co-payment rates on health insurance were too low and that the treatment of disability benefits was too generous.

6. At 9:11 Dick moved and Simon seconded a motion to go into non-public session under the authority of RSA 91-A:3 II(a) compensation of a public employee and RSA 91-A:3 II(c) matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person. The motion carried by unanimous roll call vote and the Board went into non-public session.
7. At 9:55 the Board returned to public session having made no decisions during the non-public session.
8. The meeting adjourned at 9:56.

R. G. Jones

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