

Town of Lyme
Board of Selectmen
Minutes for August 27, 2009

1. At 8:04 am Simon opened the meeting. The following attended all or parts of the meeting: Simon Carr (chair), Dick Jones (member), Charles Ragan (member), Dina Cutting (administrative assistant), Pauline Field (police chief), Bill Lambert (NHDOT), Don Elder and Tim Lahey.
2. Don came in to discuss the contract for painting of the Academy Building. He expressed his concern about the amount of advertising for bids on the proposed work.
3. The following administrative matters were discussed and actions taken:
 - a. The minutes of the August 20th meeting were approved as amended to delete a portion of paragraph 2(j) and the minutes of August 21st were approved as submitted.
 - b. The manifest was reviewed and approved.
 - c. The Board reviewed Dartmouth College's proposal to place an environmental monitoring buoy in Post Pond, and concluded that the Board had no objections to the proposal.
 - d. Fred Stearn's request for vacation today and Friday was approved.
 - e. The Board reviewed and approved the MS-1 "Summary Inventory of Valuation" (tax base) for the 2009 property taxes.
 - f. The Board reviewed and approved the maintenance contract for the copier in the Fire Station and agreed in the future it and the Fire Station's telephone should be part of the emergency management department's budget now that the room was no longer being used for general board and committee meetings.
 - g. The Board reviewed the four proposals received for disposal of the transfer station's recyclables and municipal solid waste. Dick moved and Charles seconded a motion to award the contract to C. M. Whitcher. The motion passed unanimously.
 - h. Dick moved and Charles seconded a motion to authorize the expenditure of funds from the "emergency highway repair capital reserve fund" for materials needed to repair the recent washouts on Baker Hill road. The motion carried unanimously.
 - i. The Board discussed when minutes would be posted on the Town's web site and concluded that minutes of Town boards and committees would not be posted until approved noting that draft minutes would be available in the Town Offices as required by the right-to-know law.
 - j. The Board reviewed the single bid received for painting the Academy Building and agreed not to award a contract as only one bid was received.

- k. The Board reviewed and briefly discussed the following pending items: Town Highway Garage condensation issues, repairs to the Fisher bridge, reconfiguration of the High Street-RT 10 intersection, possible amendment of the Town's fiscal year, petition concerning traffic on the Dorchester road during mud season, and staffing v contracting for routine maintenance of Town buildings.
4. At 9:16 the meeting was recessed until the arrival of Bill Lambert (NHDOT) from Concord. The meeting reconvened at 10:15 upon his arrival.
5. The Board discussed traffic/pedestrian safety concerns at the Lyme School on RT10 and in Lyme Center village on the Dorchester road. Following the discussion, Bill and Pauline conducted a site visit to review possible improvements in Lyme Center village.
6. The meeting adjourned at 10:40.

R. G. Jones
recorder