

Town of Lyme  
Board of Selectmen  
Minutes for February 11, 2010

1. At 8:00 am Simon opened the meeting. The following attended all or parts of the meeting: Simon Carr (chair), Dick Jones (member), Charles Ragan (member), Pauline Field (Police Chief), Elise Garrity (selectmen's clerk), Patty Jenks (Town Clerk), Pete Mulvihill, Colin Robertson and Tom Yurkosky.
2. The Board discussed office procedures with the staff to insure that all the necessary functions get accomplished during the Administrative Assistant's absence. There are no problems with processing the payroll, however it was decided that only necessary payments be made (without a manifest) and that at least one Selectman in addition to the Treasurer would sign any checks.
3. Colin came in (in his capacity as president of the Lyme Water Association) to discuss the Association's plans for applying for a grant/low interest loan for improvements to its distribution system.
4. Pete and Tom came in to discuss the status of the Chase Beach/Balch Field wetlands permit. Simon briefed them on the most recent position of NHDES on the mitigation easement required as a condition of the permit. Both NHDES and the potential conservation easement holder have said that they will not approve, for wetlands impacts mitigation, an easement on the Chaffee Wildlife Preserve that includes a provision for manipulating the water level as proposed by the Town in its permit application. A discussion of how to proceed followed without reaching any conclusions.
5. The following administrative matters were discussed and actions taken:
  - a. The regular session's and both non-public sessions' minutes of February 4<sup>th</sup> were approved as submitted.
  - b. Intent-to-cut applications for Jim and Patty Jenks (map 410 lot 31) and Marselis Parsons (map 408 lot 18) were signed.
  - c. The Board briefly discussed Monday's working group meeting with NHDOT and the UVLS Regional Planning Commission on possible improvements to the RT10-East Thetford Road intersection.
  - d. Dick briefed the Board on Tuesday's UVLSRPC Transportation Advisory Committee meeting. Although additional funds may become available for Municipal Bridge Aid, the wetlands permit for the proposed repairs to the Fisher Bridge must be obtained before the Town may apply for a grant for the construction phase of the project.
  - e. The Board briefly discussed possible action in regard to controlling traffic on the Dorchester Road during mud season. A proposal to require passes for skiers would not be allowed under NH law, as the x-country skiing area in Dorchester is not a commercial activity.

- f. At Colin's request, the Board briefly discussed possible improvements to the High Street-RT10 intersection by the Town Offices. The Board's position is that since both roads are state highways and the Town Offices' did not require a new curb cut permit, any engineering design or construction funding is the responsibility of NHDOT.
6. The meeting adjourned at 9:38.

R. G. Jones  
recorder