

Town of Lyme
Board of Selectmen
Minutes for May 6, 2010

1. At 8:00 AM Dick opened the meeting. The following attended part or all of the meeting: Dick Jones (chair), Charles Ragan (member), Simon Carr (member), Dina Cutting (Administrative Assistant), Patty Jenks (Town Clerk) and Pauline Field (Police Chief).
2. The following administrative matters were discussed and actions taken:
 - a. The NPS minutes of April 29th were approved as submitted.
 - b. There was a discussion on the public minutes of 29th and Simon will submit these with revisions.
 - c. The manifest to the value of \$72,767.63 was reviewed and approved.
 - d. Dick briefed the Board on the Conservation Commission meeting of Thursday 22nd.
 - i. Green-up day had been successful; there had been approximately 20 volunteers, well organized by Blake Allison. Dick had taken approximately 90 tires, mostly from three separate dumps. One area still needs some work to remove a refrigerator.
 - ii. There had been discussion of the Chaffee management plan and conservation easement, to include reference to RSA 210:9. The Board agreed that the Recreation and Conservation Commission chairs should work with town counsel to agree suitable wording, which could then be brought to the respective commissions' next meetings.
 - iii. The Trout Brook/Rte 10 erosion had been discussed and the Commission had considered that the use of christmas trees above the water level was desirable. There was further discussion on this. It was agreed that rip-rap would be used to one foot above normal water level, with christmas trees anchored in the bank above. Dave Robbins would prepare a regular wetlands application. It was hoped that a volunteer could be found to provide the christmas trees and that volunteers from the Conservation and Recreation Commissions would fix them in place. Funding should come the Selectmen's miscellaneous fund.
 - e. Simon and Patty briefed the Board on the Anniversary Committee's meeting of May 5th.
 - i. The committee has determined that a number of sub-committees should be developed to tackle various parts of the celebration and also identified volunteers who were willing to sit on them.
 - ii. The committee has also tabled indefinitely the concept of a physical remembrance of the anniversary.
 - iii. The event is planned for the first weekend in August 2011. It was noted that this is in the middle of the annual softball tournament at the ballfield. However, this should not prove a conflict as the anniversary events are

planned for Lyme Common and Lyme Center.

- f. Dick moved and Simon seconded that Dan O'Hara and Matt Brown be re-appointed to the Energy Committee for three-year terms and their appointments were signed.
3. There was a discussion on road signage, triggered by new non-recommended signs that had recently been installed on Baker Hill Rd. Historically, any optional signs had been requested and paid for by residents and the Highway Dept had installed them. After discussion it was determined that Pauline, in consultation with Fred, should draft a suitable application form. Applications would then be reviewed by the Highway Safety Committee, with appeal to the Selectboard, if necessary. In the matter of the new signs, it was agreed that they should be removed and that Dick will talk with Fred. The Board voted that Dick was authorized to sign a letter to the residents, on behalf of the Board, explaining this. Simon proposed that residents should be reimbursed the cost of the signs.
4. Puline asked if the minutes of the Highway Safety Committee, which only met quarterly, could be posted in draft form on the web site. The Board will consider further the issues involved in posting any draft minutes.
5. At 9:30 Dick 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" to consider a hardship abatement. The motion carried unanimously and the Board went into non-public session.
6. At 9:37 the Board returned to public session having agreed to grant a hardship abatement.
7. The meeting adjourned at 9:41 AM.

Simon Carr
recorder