Town of Lyme Board of Selectmen Minutes for May 20, 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), Pauline Field (Police Chief), Fred Stearns (Road Agent), Steve Williams (Highway Dept.), Peter Mulvihill and Tom Yurkosky (Recreation Commission Ballfield Sub-committee).
- 2. Fred came in to update the Board on Highways current progress, which was proceeding well. There was a discussion on a complaint about potholes between Stella's and the State park-and-ride. It was agreed that was was not a town responsibility and Dina was instructed to write to DOT Enfield advising them of the complaint, with copies to Bob Coyle and Peter Dayton. The Board also discussed the traffic flow at Stella's, the Post Office and Hardware Store. The Board asked David to investigate what had been agreed in the site plan review.
- 3. At 8:04 AM Dick moved and Simon seconded a motion to go into non-public session under the authority of RSA 91-A:3 II(b) "the hiring of any person as a public employee" to consider hiring for the Highway Department and for beach life guards. The motion passed unanimously and the Board went in to non-public session.
- 4. At 8:26 AM the Board returned to public session, having agreed to investigate the possibility of hiring of a part-time as-needed crew member and agreeing to appoint fourteen lifeguards for the summer beach season at Post Pond.
- 5. At 8:27 AM Dick moved and Simon 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 be likely to affect adversely the reputation of any person" to consider a staffing issue. The motion passed unanimously and the Board went in to non-public session.
- 6. At 8:47 the Board returned to public session.
- 7. The Board agreed that any fill excavated from ditches may be dumped at nearby property owners, otherwise it shall be dumped at either of the agreed pits in town. Property owners may make a request for such fill only to the Road Agent. The Board instructed that, given both the issue of liability issues and the use of town equipment on private property, such fill may only be dumped in a location on the property of the owner's choosing and that there shall be no spreading or 'pushing out' of such dumped material.
- 8. Peter Mulvihill and Tom Yurkosky came in to discuss progress of the Chase Beach and Balch Field permit and related easement. Dina Cutting attended in her role as chair of the Recreation Commission. Dick emphasized the basic rule that committee members do not contact Town Counsel; such contacts are undertaken through the chairs only. He also emphasized the cost of legal advice. There was a discussion possible language for the easement. Dina, Matt Stevens for the Conservation Commission and Jae Whitelaw were engaged in endeavoring to create satisfactory language and they asked to be given until the end of June to report back with such language. Peter asked that the Board consider planning for an appeal before any easement language was submitted to UVLT and DES.

- 9. The following administrative matters were discussed and actions taken:
 - a. The public and non-public minutes of May 13th were approved.
 - b. The manifest to the value of \$215,910.82 was reviewed and approved.

c. A Yield Tax assessment was signed for:

Jim And Patty Jenks Map 410 Lot 31 \$890.58

d. A Land Use Change Tax assessment was signed for:

Erica Schoenberg and Ronnie Lesser Map 415 Lot 9 \$21.00

- e. Dick updated the Board on the most recent Planning Board meeting of Thursday 13th.
- f. Charles updated the Board on the most recent Energy Committee meeting of Monday 17th.
- g. Simon made proposals regarding the Town Buildings Maintenance Committee. Dick moved that the charge for the committee to amended to increase the number of public members from two to four. This was agreed unanimously and it was agreed to appoint the following members to the committee:

Don Elder 1 year term Mike Woodard 2 year term Frank Bowles 3 year term

- h. Jim Fields has offered the town a set of scales, originally owned by Weymouth Pike, on along-term loan. The loan could only be in the Town Offices location. The Board agreed that, as a loan, Patty could take responsibility for accepting these. The actual display location was still under consideration, but they were currently placed between the bathrooms.
- i. Dick had prepared a response to the NHDOT Environmental Officer's letter regarding the Route 10/East Thetford Road intersection. The Board authorized him to sign this on behalf of the Board.
- j. Dick moved and Charles seconded the amendment to the Lyme Center Academy Building hire policy, which included limits on car parking. This was agreed unanimously.
- k. Dick moved and Charles seconded that the injectors repair to the 2004 Sterling truck, at a cost of \$3,142.43, be paid from the Emergency Major Equipment Rebuilding Trust Fund. This was agreed unanimously.
- 10. There was discussion on the agreement to be drawn up with the Town of Dorchester on cross-town line support. It was agreed that all that was necessary were letters signed by both Boards confirming the basic agreement. This agreement was:
 - a. Emergency Services: The eastern portion of Dorchester is covered by Canaan emergency services. Both Lyme and Canaan are in the Upper Valley Mutual Aid Association and emergency services are therefore covered under the mutual aid agreement, with dispatch being handled by Hanover.
 - b. Plowing: Lyme will ask permission for its plows to continue from the town line to the triangle turn-around. There shall be no obligation for Lyme to undertake any maintenance

beyond the town line.

- 11. At 10:38 AM Dick moved and Simon seconded a motion to go into non-public session under the authority of RSA 91-A:3 II(b) "the hiring of any person as a public employee" to consider hiring for the Transfer Station. The motion passed unanimously and the Board went in to non-public session.
- 12. At 10:56 AM the Board returned to public session, having agreed to recess the non-public session to reconvene at the Transfer Station on Wednesday 26 at 3:30 PM.
- 13. The meeting recessed at 11:00 AM to reconvene at the Transfer Station on Wednesday 26 at 3:30 PM.

Simon Carr Recorder