

Town of Lyme
Board of Selectmen
Minutes for September 13, 2012

At 8:00 AM Simon opened the meeting. The following were present for part or all of the meeting: Simon Carr (chair), Richard A. Vidal (member), C. Jay Smith (member), Dina Cutting (Administrative Assistant, Shaun O'Keefe (Police Chief), Jean Smith (Cemetery Commission), Mike Hinsley (Cemetery Commission), Laurel Ross (Cemetery Commission), Bill LaBombard (Sexton).

1. Approved the minutes of September 6, 2012 with one amendment.
2. Matters Arising: Simon noted that he had signed the milfoil treatment permit and that the sign board needs to be taken down on River Road.
3. Public Comments: There will be an Eagle Court of Honor for Wesley Paul Ulman on September 22nd, 2012 at the Lyme Congregational Church at 1:00 p.m.
4. The following administrative matters were discussed and actions taken:
 - a. Reviewed and signed a Manifest in the amount of \$576,551.01. This amount included \$98,000.00 for construction of the new River Road, \$175,973.12 to L&M for the River Bank stabilization, and \$300,000.00 for school.
 - b. Discussed sending a representative to the NHMA Legislative Policy Conference on September 21st and decided it was not necessary.
 - c. Received a draft of the auditor's report. Will review and discuss next week.
 - d. Noted a permit to remove a manufactured home application for 32 Pelton Ln.
 - e. Reviewed the MS1.
 - f. Committee and Commission Reports: Richard noted that the Conservation Commission passed the idea of a boat wash area back to the Selectboard. It was decided to send a letter to the abutters about holding a meeting this winter to discuss the issue. Simon noted the Planning board continued to discuss the Master Plan. Discussed the election procedures. Everything went well but we need to look at rearranging the shift schedule for selectmen so one person is not there for 10 – 11 hours. Simon discussed the Budget Committee meeting. One change this year will be canceling the Department Heads meeting with the committee on October 17th and just having them meet with the Committee after the Selectmen have submitted the Town budget.
 - g. Discussed the final report received from Holden on River Road and a letter regarding the inspection and report of the condition of the plantings which we are required to submit to NHDES in 2014. Board decided not to have Holden check the plantings in September 2012 and to address the NHDES report requirement when we are closer to the report deadline.

5. At 8:30 am the Cemetery Commissioners and the Sexton were present and Simon explained the purpose of this meeting was to discuss the change from Cemetery Commissioners to Cemetery Trustees in accordance with the RSA's.
 - a. Discussed the budget and who would prepare it, what needed to be included and when it had to be in to the Selectboard. Cemetery Trustees need to submit a budget this year since they will be operating on that budget after Town Meeting in March 2013.
 - b. Discussed maintenance and the big mower and other equipment and what would happen to it. Big mower would not be replaced. How maintenance is done in the future would be worked out by the Cemetery Trustees and the Selectboard and put into a Memorandum of Understanding. Contracting out maintenance for cemeteries as well as all other Town properties would produce savings to the Town. Discussed Sexton duties are separate from general maintenance. Discussed "other maintenance" such as sink holes. This would be up to the Cemetery Trustees. The board would like to continue to discuss these issues with the Cemetery Trustees/Commissioners in order to have it resolved by Town Meeting. Discussed the budget and first draft is due October 12th.
6. Discussed current appeal before the Supreme Court and pending tax abatement cases coming up.
7. Motion by Simon, seconded by Richard and Board voted 3 - 0 to go into non-public session at 9:20 am under RSA 91-A: 3 II (a) "Compensation of public employees".
8. At 9:32 am the Board returned to public session having voted to use the August CPI figure for any increases to compensation.
9. The Meeting adjourned at 9:33 am.

/s/C. Jay Smith, Recorder