

Town of Lyme  
Board of Selectmen  
Minutes for February 7, 2013

At 8:00 AM Simon called the meeting to order. The following were present for part or all of the meeting: Simon Carr (Chair), Richard Vidal (Vice-Chair), C. Jay Smith (member), Dina Cutting (Administrative Assistant), Shaun O'Keefe (Police Chief), Ross Macintyre and John Mudge.

1. Approved the minutes of the January 31, 2013 Meeting as amended.
2. Matters arising: The truck has been removed from the Fire Department parking lot. Shaun discussed an item previously brought up by the Budget Committee regarding the idea of charging a fee for false alarms. He talked to several towns. Some do this by Ordinance and some by rule. Generally more than 3 false alarms in a sixth month period results in a charge, generally \$50.00, for each additional false alarm. The idea is not to make money but to make people more diligent about not setting off their alarm or getting their systems repaired when there is a problem. He will research this further.
3. Reviewed and signed a manifest in the amount of \$379310.36. This included \$350,000.00 for the school. Reviewed and signed a manifest in the amount of \$88.60. This was the amount of Land Use Tax which was deposited to the Conservation Commission fund.
4. The following administrative matters were discussed and actions taken:
  - a. Reviewed and signed the warrant.
  - b. Reviewed & approved two assessment appeals by a vote of 3 – 0 based on the information and recommendation provided by the assessing agent:
    - i. Map 405 Lot 30.1 – Yurko family Trust LLC – reduced to \$1,022,300.00
    - ii. Map 407 Lot 70 – Michael & Juliette Madan – reduced to \$1,038,900.00
  - c. Discussed the Milfoil treatment. Need to commit \$180.00 in order to meet the time frame for notices/posting of treatment. Approved 3 – 0.
5. At 8:30 held a meeting with Ross Macintyre and John Mudge to discuss FERC Project 1892, the relicensing of the Wilder Dam and a request for a study of bank erosion to be sent to FERC. Both Ross and John noted that they would be putting in requests for a study and presented some of their research and findings on bank erosion along the riverbank and studies which they had researched regarding soil composition and bank erosion. The Board noted where it was at this point and expressed their interest and a desire to work together with them since the Town also planned to submit a request and Ross had already done much of the research. The town's main concern is the damage which has occurred and continues being done to River Road. Board will look at the research and draft a request to FERC from the Town. There will be a DES/UVLSRPC meeting on January 15<sup>th</sup>.

6. Resumed Administrative Matters:

- d. Discussed the dead and damaged trees by the Lyme School parking lot. The one maple is dead needs to come down and another is damaged and presents a safety hazard. The school has a proposal from a tree service in Bradford to remove the maple, alleviate the hazard and does some other tree work for the school. Dina will talk to Jeff and negotiate how this will be handled. Also discussed parking or lack thereof. Need to look at this in the future.
- e. Committee and Commission Reports:
  - i. Richard discussed the Conservation Commission concerns with the change to the LUCT going to a fund rather than directly to the Commission. Commission has agreed in principal to using the Chafee area for parking for the Independence Day Celebration and will mark out an area to be cut for this purpose.
  - ii. Jay discussed the Roads Committee meeting. Main discussion was to get back to what we had started last May and catalog the chronic failure areas of certain roads and come up with a long range plan for fixing these areas.
  - iii. Simon attended the Planning Board Public Hearing which voted to approve the amendment to table 4 -1 to allow retail as an accessory use in certain districts.
  - iv. It was noted that the Budget committee approved the money Warrant Articles Wednesday night.
  - v. Fast Roads has installed equipment in the Town Office and there is a potential for having the Town Buildings on line by the middle of this year.
- f. Discussed the problems with the septic system. It is fixed and working for now but piping will be checked in the spring.
- g. Motion by Simon, seconded by Richard and Board voted 3 - 0 to go into non-public session at 9:40 am under RSA 91-A:3 II(c) "Matters affecting reputation".
- h. Board returned to public session at 9:51 am having discussed time frame for serving papers and the upcoming oral arguments before the State Supreme Court.
- i. Noted that Tasco has installed the electric door latches, release buttons and panic buttons. Only item which needs to be completed is installation of the automatic door closer on the selectmen's office.
- j. Meeting adjourned at 9:53 am.

/s/C. Jay Smith  
Recorder