

Town of Lyme
Select Board Meeting
Minutes for October 10, 2013
Approved: October 17, 2013

The following were present for part or all of the meeting: Charles J. Smith (Chair), Richard A. Vidal (member), and Susan J. MacKenzie (member) and Dina Cutting (Administrative Assistant). Derby Mountain Construction, James Jenks.

1. Chair Smith called the Selectboard meeting to order at 8:05AM
2. MacKenzie moved to approve the minutes of the October 3rd, 2013 meeting and the October 7th Non-Public session. Seconded by Vidal. Voted unanimously in favor.
3. Mr. Jenks came to discuss items concerning the ball field project. He passed out copies of a letter to the Board members. He stated that this project had not gone very well. Weather and other complications had held this project up. The Selectmen reported the permit had been revoked last week and he had to shut down. He noted he had received communication that he would need to be ready to start back up as soon as the permit was reinstated. He stated he had other jobs to do and would not be able to start back for a couple of weeks. Mr. Jenks was agitated and felt the Mrs. Cutting had misled him about the meeting Monday evening with the Recreation Commission. He felt he should have been able to attend this non-public session along with the Recreation Commission. Mr. Smith confirmed that Mr. Jenks would not have been allowed as this was a non-public Selectboard meeting concerning a legal matter that concerned the Recreation Commission and the Town. Mr. Smith noted this project had taken much longer than reasonable and should have been completed last year. He reiterated that if the permit was restored the ball field needed to be completed as soon as possible. Mr. Jenks apologized to the board for not having this project done and took full responsibility. He then stood up, stated he would not be finishing this project, made accusations concerning the Selectmen's Administrative Assistant and the Board and left the meeting.
4. After a brief discussion it was the sense of the Select board to have Mrs. Cutting contact L&M and ask if they could finish this project. Mr. Vidal mentioned he would call another construction firm to ask about availability. It is imperative this work get done as soon as possible.
5. Matters arising:
 - MacKenzie noted the Baker Hill project came out great and looks nice. The highway crew should be commended for their fine work.
 - Mr. Robbins is moving ahead with the permit process for River Road.
 - A Letter to Helen Dennis concerning her driveway culvert was reviewed, approved and signed. MacKenzie will mail this letter.
 - Deadline for proposed department budgets is Friday. Mrs. Cutting will send out another reminder.
6. The manifest in the amount of \$545,052.92 was reviewed and signed. (\$500,000 of this manifest is school)
7. Mowing bids were opened and reviewed:
 - Sean's Lawn N' Garden Services: this bid was submitted with a per cut, per location price.
 - Cura Property Management LLC: \$40,620.00
 - Winslow Mountain Lawn care: \$45,900.00
 - Lyme Lawn care LLC: \$39,400.00

The Selectboard reviewed the 4 bids. The Selectboard was not comfortable with an "open ended" contract based on how many times you cut and where. Sean's Lawn N' Garden Service was not considered.

- At this time Smith moved to accept the bid of \$39,400.00 from Lyme Lawn Care LLC. Seconded by Vidal. Smith noted they had received tremendous accolade for how the

- parks mowing has been done this past year. The motion was voted unanimously in favor.
8. Committees & Commissions:
 - Roads Committee-MacKenzie noted the group had reviewed the 5 year outlook for the paved roads. The numbers look do-able. More to come on this.
 - Smith reported he attended the Conservation Commission meeting Monday evening: The Conservation Commission voted to rescind the Water Release policy. The Commission was concerned this policy may come back up in the future. Smith noted individual property owners can now regulate beaver and beaver dams to protect their property without a special permit. Vidal reported the Conservation Commission will be saving the piping from the beaver deceivers in case it is needed in the future. A wash out on Big Rock needs to be repaired.
 - Building Committee-Cutting reported this committee voted to meet bi-monthly unless an emergency comes up. They reviewed the Highway Garage concerns. Mr. Stearns has addressed and has a plan for most of these issues. Stearns will be collecting information for the condensation issues and will be reporting back to the Building Committee. A plan and recommendation will be coming to the Selectboard at a later date. The Committee asked if Cutting could be charged with applying for the grant for the generator at the Town Highway department. Library reviewed various items they are working on. Next meeting the committee will be discussing budget requests for the Capital Reserve fund.
 9. At 9:02AM Smith moved to enter non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A: 3II (e). Seconded by Vidal. Voted unanimously by roll call vote. Present at this session was Smith, Vidal, MacKenzie, Calder and Cutting.

The board discussed a legal matter.

At 9:12AM Smith moved to enter public session. Seconded by Vidal. Voted unanimously in favor. Smith moved to go ahead with Calder's recommendation on this legal matter and abate \$175,000 from Gore View property because of the Saw Mill noise and the shared driveway. Seconded by Vidal. Voted unanimously in favor.
 10. Cutting noted that some 2014 budget request information had been received. The folder will be available for the Selectboard to review.
 11. At 9:17AM Smith moved to enter non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A: 3II (a). Seconded by MacKenzie. Voted unanimously by roll call vote. Present at this session was Smith, Vidal, MacKenzie, and Cutting.

The board discussed and reviewed various salaries and pay rates.

At 9:45AM Smith moved to enter public session. Seconded by Vidal. Voted unanimously in favor. Vidal moved to increase the Transfer Station employee's hourly rate by .50, Seconded by MacKenzie. Voted unanimously in favor.
 12. There being no further business at 9:47AM Smith moved to adjourn. Seconded by MacKenzie. Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dina Cutting

