

Town of Lyme
Select Board Meeting
Minutes for February 20th, 2014
Approved: February 27th, 2014

The following were present for part or all of the meeting: Charles J. Smith (Chair), Richard A. Vidal (member), Susan J. MacKenzie (member), Chief O'Keefe (Police Chief), Dina Cutting (Administrative Assistant), Kevin Peterson (Moderator), Patty Jenks (Town Clerk), and Sharron Greateorex (Deputy town Clerk).

1. Chair Smith called the Select Board meeting to order at 8:00AM.
2. Peterson reviewed the upcoming training for new ballot clerks and moderator. Jeff Lehmann, Republican head representative for the Republican Party has stepped down. This has left the party without a chair, the law is unclear about this and the Moderator has found a temporary replacement, Earl Strout. The Select board would like Town Clerk to notify them if the large booth will be required by the State for this election. March 10th, 2014 at 5:00Pm will be the set up time. Vidal will be picking up 2 tables from the Fire department to offer for various groups and town committees who will be putting up an informational display. At this time the board and moderator reviewed various warrant articles. Upcoming dates: March 4th, 2014 7:00PM little Town Meeting, Thursday March 6th, 2014 6:00PM School District Meeting and Tuesday 9:00AM Town Meeting. All meeting located in the School community room.
3. Smith moved to approve the minutes of the February 6th, 2014. Seconded by Vidal. Changes and corrections were offered. Voted unanimously in favor with amendments.
4. Matters arising:
 - Franklin Hill-the small section at the Dorchester Road end is very dangerous. The select board will discuss with Stearns about recommending closing this small section during winter months.
 - Milfoil-DES has sent a long range plan and a lengthy e-mail with information concerning the future outlook and an estimate of costs. Amy Smagula, DES Limnologist/Exotic Species Program Coordinator has 79 infested bodies of water in NH and she does not have the time or resources to paddle the pond and mark milfoil like it should be done. If a group of community members can mark these spots the divers can come in and remove more efficiently. She thinks this coming summer may be a turning point. The herbicide treatment that was done in 2013 seemed to have worked well by the end of the season, she will plan to treat earlier in 2014 (spring rather than fall) to try to cut back any new growth before it takes root. Cutting will discuss the monitoring of the pond with the Recreation Commission. There will be other issues that will need addressing when the divers come, i.e. boat mooring, trailer storage and any extra help they may need. After a discussion with Amy, Frank & Dina Cutting volunteered to contact and organize the monitoring group for this summer with the support of the Recreation Commission. Cutting will work towards getting the Milfoil committee active again in hopes they will address the boat landing wash station and education for boaters at Post Pond Landing.

At this time the select board signed the contract for herbicide treatment contingent on the passing of Article 16 at Town Meeting; task 1 (notification of abutters) will take place. MacKenzie moved to allow Charles Smith sign any documentation concerning this grant. Seconded by Vidal. Voted unanimously in favor.

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5. Public Comment: None
6. Manifest: None
7. Oath of office signed for 2 ballot clerks
8. Health and Deputy Health Officer Appointment form was signed: Jeff Hanissian, Health officer; Michael Hinsley, Deputy Health officer.
9. Evans Forest Management contract was approved and signed for 2014
10. Committee & Commission reports:
 - MacKenzie reported the solarize Lyme group is still looking at various companies for this work.
 - Roads Committee: The South River Road project was discussed. We are going ahead with getting permits to start the surface ditching, grinding the pavement and addressing the most immediate bank and road failure. Will ask Smith to go ahead with the grant application. Discussed the necessity of getting the funding up front. One source is a municipal bond, other sources of bond funding was also discussed. The committee also discussed the Goose Pond Road project and all the complexities that that area has.
 - Planning Board: Voted to continue the meeting until February 27th, 2014 due to weather.
11. NH Lakes host program: This program will be given to the Milfoil Committee.
12. Cutting will draft job description to be considered by the board for the Administrative Assistant and the Assessing Clerk.
13. Ongoing business:
 - Reviewed various topics
14. There being no further business Smith moved to adjourn at 9:40AM. Seconded by Vidal.
 - Voted unanimously in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dina Cutting