

**LYNDEBOROUGH BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING MINUTES  
June 1, 2011**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Byam called this meeting to order at 5:43 p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, 2011 in the large meeting room in Citizens' Hall.

Those persons present were as follows:

**Members**

**Present:** Arnie Byam, Donnie Sawin & Kevin Boette

**Staff**

**Present:** Jim Bingham (Town Administrator), RA Perry, FC McQuade

**Public**

**Present:**

**Media**

**Present:** Jessie Salisbury

**Recorder:** Kate Thorndike

**I. Agenda Items**

5:30 – Non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II ( a )

6:35 – Approval/Correction of Minutes of 5/25/2011 as needed.

6:40 - Review and signing warrants and correspondence, etc.

7:00 – Update action item list / Administrator’s Report

7:30- **Citizens’ Open Forum**

7:45– Appointment – Fran Bujak, Jim Buttons, Jeff Brock

8:00 – Old Business:  
Health Insurance

**II. Adjournment 8:45**

**Non-public Session RSA 91-A: 3 II (a) Personnel**

**Selectman Byam** moved to go into a non-public session regarding reputation under the provisions of Non-public Session RSA 91-A: 3 II (a). **Selectman Sawin** seconded the motion, so moved.

**VOTE:** Selectmen Byam, Sawin and Boette voted in favor, and Selectman Byam declared the motion to have carried unanimously (3-0).

The Board then went into nonpublic session, as recorded separately, at 5:43 p.m. The Board returned to public session at 5:54 p.m.

Approval/Correction of Minutes of 5/25/2011 as needed.

**Selectman Byam** moved to accept the May 25, 2011 minutes as corrected.

**VOTE:** Selectmen Byam, Sawin and Boette voted in favor, and Selectman Byam declared the motion to have carried unanimously (3-0).

**Non-public Session RSA 91-A: 3 II (a) Personnel**

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**VOTE:** Selectmen Byam, Sawin and Boette voted in favor, and Selectman Byam declared the motion to have carried unanimously (3-0).

The Board then went into nonpublic session, as recorded separately, at 6:35 p.m. The Board returned to public session at 6:47 p.m.

Review and signing warrants and correspondence, etc.

**Action Items:**

- DS: Contact Kent re: coming in with Jen and Emily to offer his support of the positions and salary. Contact LGC
  
- KT: Order recorder and wireless mouse/keyboard  
Send Karen Holland contact information for the Ledger Transcript  
YTD to next week from Kay

Update action item list / Administrator's Report

## **Citizens' Open Forum**

Jessie Salisbury gave the Board a brief update on the RR Foundation at Memorial Park.

**Selectman Byam:** **Town Administrator Bingham** put in his resignation with the town effective immediately.

**Jessie Salisbury:** Was there any particular reason given? **Selectman Byam:** Not really, he is pursuing other interests.

Old Business:

Brief discussion on metal detecting and the need for a possible ordinance.

-Health Insurance

The Board discussed the health insurance options soliciting input from **RA Perry** as well as Kate Thorndike and agreed to a new provider.

**Selectman Boette** moved that the Board accept the proposed SchoolCare Health Insurance HMO plan as the Town of Lyndeborough's provider for the 2011/2012 insurance year.

**VOTE:** Selectmen Byam, Sawin and Boette voted in favor, and Selectman Byam declared the motion to have carried unanimously (3-0).

**Selectman Byam:** Kent, please keep in touch with the Board and let us know if your guys have any issues with the new insurance. **KT:** We will pay close attention and make sure everyone has all necessary contact information. **ACTION...**I will set up an orientation for the employees as soon as possible.

**Appointment – Fran Bujak, Jim Buttons, Geoff Brock**

**SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL: SIDEWALK**

**Selectman Boette:** Thanks for coming in. We're thinking if the School Board was to act as a bit of a steering committee on this project it would help. We'd like to offer our support and there are a lot of grant monies available. One thing that was stressed at the meeting was to offer the sidewalk as a healthy alternative to walk/ride to school. If we could get a safe walk to the library as well that's a plus. They will pay up to \$250,000 for the sidewalk. **RA Perry:** Do it up front using a bid process and after the construction a reimbursement is made. **Selectman Boette:** We just don't want it to sip through the cracks. **Chairman Byam:** It could tie up downtown really nicely. **RA Perry:** The grant money is focused on the health not road safety.

**Geoff Brock:** Sue Tussing has been concerned about the kids walking for quite some time. This is something that Sue is passionate about and what I'm hearing is that we'll have full support

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from the town. I think the Board will be fully behind this and we'll let Sue continue to be the driver. **Selectman Boette:** Yes, but who's funding what when will have to be worked out.

**Fran Bujak:** What is the life expectancy and what about upkeep? Who will be responsible for that?

**RA Perry:** This grant money also pays for repairs to existing sidewalks. If you show that your kids are using those sidewalks, the money is there.

**Chairman Byam:** Let's revisit this in six weeks. **RA Perry:** We need to form a committee; Highway, PD, private citizens, Ellen Martin as the crossing guard and FD, hopefully to meet monthly.

**Geoff Brock:** We'll see if we can get Sue Tussing to report to the Board on 7-27-11 about status.

**ACTION...KT:** Send Lyndeborough Views deadline information to Geoff Brock. August 17<sup>th</sup> is the next deadline.

**Selectman Boette:** **ACTION...** I'll contact Frank Holden and ask him about some crossing walks. **Selectman Sawin:** **ACTION...** Let talk with Lee Mayhew about getting involved on the committee as well.

**Geoff Brock:** We'll know about the funding from the state by June 30<sup>th</sup> for the kindergarten. Everything looks good but we won't know until then. We're looking at a potential of \$450,000 for a new building and \$250,000 for sidewalks

Center Road is closed from Herrick to Pinnacle for the FD drill on Sunday

**ACTION...KT:** **Check on** generator POs., check on the IDs cards, welfare packets.

*There was a brief road discussion on what roads need to be planned on for next year, what it would cost to chip seal some of the smaller roads, ditching, a possible road committee to do some field work and some other issues.*

**RA Perry:** I need a strong advocate on the Budget Committee this year. Everyone pushed for the road plan. I've done this three times and I was supposed to have three times the money that I got. Half of the work I've had to deal with is fixing badly done jobs because they were done cheaply. I'll give you the necessary numbers that you need. I've spoken with Burton Reynolds and our paving plan is pretty much out the window. It is discouraging and I know that everyone wants these things done but we can only work with the limited funds that we have.

**Jessie Salisbury:** Is there a short term plan in place to address Jim's leaving? **Chairman Byam:** Stay tuned. **Selectman Boette:** Hopefully there will not be any negative impact on the residents in the interim.

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Karen and Walter Holland came in and spoke with the Board about Community Day, setting a link on the website to YouTube video from Memorial Day, rededicating the Hartshorne cannon, etc.

**KT: ACTION...Look into** procedure for calling a Special Town Meeting.

**III. ADJOURNMENT**

All scheduled items having been addressed, Chairman Byam moved to adjourn; Selectman Sawin seconded the motion.

**VOTE:** Chairman Byam called for a verbal vote on the motion. All members voted in favor.

Chairman Byam then declared the meeting to be adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Date: June 1, 2011  
Kate Thorndike, Recorder

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Arnold A. Byam, III,  
Chairman

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Donald R. Sawin

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Kevin J. Boette

**APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN ON JUNE 8, 2011**