

Old Business:

The Selectmen prepared a memo to the members of last year's Lyman School Tax Rate Stabilization and Quality Education Committee and others reminding everyone that Lyman now has a third seat on the Lisbon Regional School Board which needs to be filled. The dates to file for candidacy for 2020 open school board seats are Jan 29th to Feb 7th at the SAU Office in Littleton or with District Clerk Cindy Derosia in Lisbon. A notice regarding the openings will be appear in the newspaper soon. * An Epson projector was purchased from Staples for Town Hall presentations. * A second monthly progress report was received from a homeowner working to resolve zoning issues. * The Board worked on proposed 2020 budget revenues in preparation for the Feb 4th Annual Budget Hearing.

New Business:

The Board completed and signed a questionnaire for the 2019 audit which will begin the first week of Feb. * The Town will renew NH Health Officers Association memberships for Christopher Hodge and Deputy Bruce Beane. * The Selectmen confirmed that Commerford Nieder Perkins may begin work on the 2020 statistical update prior to Town Meeting as the money for this project will come from an existing Capital Reserve Fund and not from the 2020 budget. * At least one break-in and other suspicious activities have been recently reported in Lyman. The Selectmen will look into installing security cameras in and around the Town Hall. * The Town of Lyman was required to register with the new Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration Drug & Alcohol Clearinghouse since highway personnel hold Commercial Drivers Licenses. * The Board discussed invoicing homeowners for false alarms as the Town is charged \$400 for each of these call outs by the Lisbon Fire Dept. There are only a few each year, but they are often the same residences which are usually unoccupied seasonal homes. Trudell motioned to adopt a policy to send a warning letter to the homeowner for the first false alarm and invoice them \$400 (or the amount charged to the Town) for subsequent alarms, 2nd by Beane, all voted in favor. * The Board reviewed the rules pertaining to an Optional Tax Credit for Combat Service which would require a warrant article being passed at Town Meeting but decided not to pursue it this year. * The Board also discussed the pros and cons of changing over to semi-annual property tax billing. The Town spent over \$7,500 in interest on 2019's \$600,000 Tax Anticipation Note. That amount will likely continue to increase as the Town borrows money sooner and in larger amounts to make the monthly school tax payment and meet the Town's budgeted obligations. Many taxpayers have also suggested that two half-year bills would be more manageable than the one large bill at year-end. The NH Dept of Revenue estimates that only about a dozen municipalities still bill annually. This change requires that a warrant article be passed at Town Meeting.

Trudell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm, 2nd by Beane, all voted in favor.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, Jan 13th, at 5:00 pm.