## SELECTMEN'S MINUTES

May 24, 2021 at the Town Hall

Present: Bruce Beane, Jim Trudell, Administrative Assistant-Tabbetha Shosa,

Absent: Wendy Ho-sing-loy, Celine Presby-Treasurer

Other: Michael Slavtcheff, Claude Lapete, Cynthia Lapete, Candace Heineke

Chairman Beane called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

## Manifests & Invoices:

The manifest for 05/24/2021 was authorized and new invoices for future payment were reviewed and initialed.

#### Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report was read by Shosa showing a balance of \$65,933.13 in the WGSB checking account, \$50,000 in the NOW account, and \$164,889.96 in the WGSB Insured Cash Sweep (ICS) account. Beane motioned to approve the Treasurer's report as given, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trudell, all voted in favor.

### **Meeting Minutes:**

Minutes for the May 17<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed. Trudell motioned to approve the minutes as written, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Beane, all voted in favor.

#### Committee/Department Reports & Needs:

- The BOS reviewed and signed the 1<sup>st</sup> Tax Warrant for the 2021 year. Carignan will process and mail out the first round of tax bills on Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Shosa provided a brief overview of the Municipal Officials training that she attended on Tuesday, May 18<sup>th.</sup> A recording of the training was provided and can be forwarded to any town officials that are interested.

# Correspondence:

- The BOS received the Grafton County Commissioners' Proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Budget. Trudell will review.
- The BOS reviewed the NH Electric Co-op Scenic Roads report. There are no roads in Lyman currently classified as scenic roads.

# **Permits and Applications:**

The BOS reviewed and signed one timber tax warrants and certifications.

## Public Matters:

- Claude and Cynthia Lapete discussed a recent ticket that was issued by the towns Animal Control Officer, Michael Slavtcheff. Slavtcheff explained that a complaint about their dog being off property was received a week prior and a warning was issued at that time. He received an additional complaint from a different resident a week later stating that the Lapete's dog had torn apart their trash. A ticket was issued per the Lyman Animal Control Rules and Regulations after the second complaint was received. The Lapete's discussed their concern that their dog could potentially be wrongfully accused in the future and that this could lead to more costly tickets. Slavtcheff will ask for photographic evidence from the complainant should additional complaints be made.
- Candace Heineke attended the meeting to discuss multiple request on behalf of the Lyman Community Group.

The LCG would like to continue their efforts to improve Grange Hall so that it can be used by Town residents in the future. The BOS explained that these efforts would be welcomed but that the cost would be very substantial based on the improvement and building code updates that the State has said are required.

The LCG would like to begin holding their monthly meetings at the Lyman Town Hall again. Candace explained that the use of this space would allow the group to accommodate more residents and could help greatly in the group's efforts to expand. The BOS explained the additional rules that will be implemented in light of COVID and CDC guidelines and stated that they would welcome the group holding meetings at the Town Hall moving forward. The BOS requested that the LCG provide an updated insurance binder before their next meeting and Shosa supplied Candace with the necessary form.

The LCG would like to request access to the Town of Lyman Webpage. The BOS explained that at this time the Town Webpage is only be used for official town business regarding Governmental bodies within the Town such as the Board of Selectmen, Planning Board, Zoning Board, and Town Meeting information.

Candace requested the BOS assistance on an investigation that she was launching regarding financial records and minute inaccuracies for the Lyman Community Group. Beane explained that the BOS do not participate in the LCG bookkeeping and record keeping methods and this would be a discussion that Candace should have within the LCG. She continued to explain concerns with potential financial inaccuracies and the affect this could have on new membership and her own family's contributions. Trudell echoed what Beane had previously stated and explained that the BOS would not be involved in any investigations regarding the LCG and that she should discuss this with the members of the LCG so that the group could determine what steps, if any, they would like to take. Candace continued to express concerns and Trudell stated that they had clearly explained her options and that the Selectmen would not hear any more on the subject.

#### **Old Business:**

- The BOS reviewed and signed the MS-535.
- An invoice from the Lisbon Fire Department was received in the month of February.
  The invoice was paid in full and a request for reimbursement from the landowner
  was submitted. The BOS will investigate repayment by the landowner further since
  the Town has not received payment from the landowner.

#### **New Business:**

- Recent Timber Tax bills that were incorrectly assessed Doomage have been corrected and reviewed. Property owners will receive updated Timber Tax bills that reflect this change later this week.
- The BOS reviewed and signed a new request for use of the Lyman Town Hall. The additional guidelines and rules have been added to the request form and will include the following. The bathroom, tables, chairs, doorknobs, and light switches must be wiped down and disinfected after use. CDC mask guidelines must be followed. The current guidelines state that any individual who has not received a full COVID vaccine will be required to wear a mask. The individual applying for the use of the Town Hall is agreeing to take responsibility for and ensure that all those in attendance at their function will adhere to all of the rules and regulations set forth by the BOS.

Trudell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Beane, all voted in favor.

The next regular Selectmen's meeting is scheduled for June 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at the Lyman Town Hall.

Approved:			