

EAST LYME BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
MEETING OF DECEMBER 1, 2010  
MINUTES

PRESENT: Paul Formica, Mark Nickerson, Jack Hogan, Rose Ann Hardy.

1a. Pledge Allegiance to the Flag

Mr. Formica called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. and led the Pledge.

Mr. Formica introduced Assistant Principal of the High School Jeffrey Provost and presented him with a proclamation about his being chosen Assistant Principal of the Year.

1b. Additional Agenda & Consent Calendar Items

There was none.

1c. Delegations

Holly Cheeseman of 16 Mitchell Drive said the holiday decorations on Main Street are “glorious”.

1d. Approval of Minutes, Meeting of November 17, 2010

Mr. Formica noted a change to be made on Page 6., second item should say **Board of Education.**

MOTION (1)

Mr. Nickerson moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 17, 2010 as amended.

Seconded by Mr. Hogan.

Aye: Mr. Formica, Mr. Nickerson, Mr. Hogan.

Nay: None.

Abstain: Ms. Hardy. Motion passed 3-0-1.

1e. Consent Calendar

MOTION (2)

Mr. Nickerson moved to approve the Consent Calendar for the meeting of December 1, 2010 in the amount of \$7.25.

Seconded by Mr. Hogan. Motion passed 4-0.

2a. Resolution – STEAP Grant

Mr. Formica noted that one of the requirements of this grant was to have this resolution made and certified by the Town Clerk.

Mr. Wilson arrived at 7:40 p.m.

MOTION (3)

Mr. Nickerson moved the following resolution:

WHEREAS, pursuant to The Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) CGTS 4-66g, the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development is authorized to extend financial assistance for economic development projects; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and in the public interest that the Town of East Lyme make an application to the State for \$ \$200,000 in order to undertake the Main Street Enhancement Project Phase III and to execute an Assistance Agreement

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE East Lyme Board of Selectmen

1. That it is cognizant of the conditions and prerequisites for the state financial assistance imposed by  
The Small Town Economic Assistance Program (STEAP) under CGTS 4-66g
2. That the filing of an application for State financial assistance by  
The Town of East Lyme in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 is hereby approved and that Paul M. Formica – First Selectman of the Town of East Lyme is directed to execute and file such application with the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, to provide such additional information, to execute such other documents as may be required, to execute an Assistance Agreement with the State of Connecticut for State financial assistance if such an agreement is offered, to execute any amendments, decisions, and revisions thereto, and to act as the authorized representative of Town Of East Lyme.

Seconded by Mr. Wilson. Motion passed 5-0.

2b. Appropriation \$7740 – CNRE CAD Software – Replacement Survey Equipment  
Town Engineer Bill Scheer was present and noted that the Town surveying equipment is over 20 years old and if this new equipment is purchased, would cut the field time by 50%.

Ms. Hardy inquired if this new equipment would interface with our computers.

Mr. Scheer said that the current software was purchased two years ago and was compatible with the equipment he was requesting to purchase.

MOTION (4)

Mr. Hogan moved to appropriate \$7,740 from the CAD software and survey equipment CNRE for the purchase of new replacement survey equipment and send to the Board of Finance for approval.

Seconded by Mr. Wilson. Motion passed 5-0.

2c. Insurance Waiver Request – EL Republican Town Committee – ELLCC  
MOTION (5)

Mr. Nickerson moved to approve the request of the East Lyme Republican Town Committee for an insurance waiver for their use of meeting rooms at the East Lyme Library Community Complex through January, 2012.

Seconded by Mr. Wilson. Motion passed 5-0.

2d. Appointments – Part time Constables  
MOTION (6)

Mr. Wilson moved to appoint Robert Cutillo of 7 Grand Street Niantic, CT and Paul Holmes of 9R Center Road, Waterford, CT to serve as part time constables through June 30, 2011.

Seconded by Mr. Hogan. Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Formica noted the letter to the Director of Ledge Light in the Selectmen's folders and said that there are five other towns exploring an option for another health district. He said that per the contract, a letter putting Ledge Light on notice that we might not renew our contract for the upcoming year was necessary.

5a. Ex-Officio

Ms. Hardy had no report but added that the Zoning meeting was cancelled for tomorrow.

Mr. Nickerson attended the Town Building Committee meeting where there was discussion about the work being done at the new Colton Road building. He agreed with Ms. Cheeseman's comments made earlier about the holiday decorations adding, Main Street makes you proud to be an East Lymer. He said the decorations were a fabulous improvement.

Mr. Hogan attended the Board of Education meeting and said he was very impressed with the kids presentations about November 11<sup>th</sup> and the video for the accreditation committee.

Mr. Wilson said that the Parks and Recreation meeting was tomorrow and said that the Holiday Stroll was great.

Mr. Nickerson congratulated the girls volleyball team on becoming state champions.

Mr. Formica added his congratulations noting that Molly Giannattasio was named All State.

5b. First Selectman's Report

Mr. Formica said that the Incentive Housing plan had been approved by Planning, Zoning and the Selectmen and had moved on to the CT Office of Policy and Management.

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He said that our long time utility engineer Brad Kargl had a very dangerous house fire and lost everything and said that he will be starting something to coordinate assistance.

He attended the SECTER Annual Meeting.

He attended a Probate District meeting and added that the cost for the move of the Registrars and the renovations to the building would be borne by all of the towns.

He attended a press conference with the CT State Police announcing the recovery of approximately one million dollars worth of stolen items due to the hard work and diligence of Detective Marr and Officer Cuomo.

He attended a Zoning Commission meeting where after discussion, the Board endorsed the Incentive Housing Zone.

He attended a meeting with the Department of Health and the DECD regarding the water interconnection between East Lyme and New London.

He attended a 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary celebration for Phyllis and Bob Stevenson.

He attended a meeting of the Council of Governments Legislative Committee where they received a forecast for next year's state budget.

He attended the East Lyme High School pre game football dinner.

He took part in the Niantic Stroll and praised the holiday decorations.

He attended a retirement ceremony for Steve Hartzell having served 34 years with the Navy.

He attended a meeting of the Niantic River Watershed. He said anyone interested in serving from East Lyme should contact his office.

He attended a retirement celebration for New London City Manager Marty Berliner.

He attended a stream flow coalition meeting in Hartford.

He noted he was exploring regional efforts for the following:

Health district; policing; expanded Animal Control and the regional water plan.

He said he received a postcard from one of Ms. Hardy's students and complimented her on the work she does with her students.

Mr. Birmingham arrived at 8:01 p.m.

6. Public Comment

Joe Mingo of 397 Boston Post Road said he had seen a public TV program about liquid assets (water) where they noted that the average American uses 176 gallons of water a day and the average African uses 5 gallons of water a day. He said developments are increasing and no one is increasing our water sources. He said we have a serious shortage of potable water.

Karen Rak of 27 Black Point Road said that at the last Selectmen's meeting, it was announced that the Town had received a report regarding the gas station and asked when that report would be released to the public.

7. Selectmen's Response

Mr. Formica said that the draft environmental report was in however, negotiations with the owner were still on-going. He said when they are concluded, the report would become public.

Ms. Hardy inquired if the generator at the Middle School was operational and had come in under budget.

Mr. Formica responded that it was operational and no additional money was necessary.

MOTION (7)

Mr. Nickerson moved to adjourn the December 1, 2010 meeting of the East Lyme Board of Selectmen at 8:11 p.m.

Seconded by Mr. Wilson. Motion passed 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Darlene C. Stevens, Recording Secretary