

TOWN OF EAST LYME
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 12, 2014

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10:05 AM PM Lesley A. Blais
East Lyme Town Clerk

Moderator, Eugene Cushman, called the Annual Town Meeting to order at 7:00 PM at the East Lyme High School. There were 33 people in attendance. Town Clerk, Lesley A. Blais, read the call of the meeting, stating it had been signed by the Board of Selectmen, published in The Day, posted on the signpost and filed in the Town Clerk's office.

Moderator announced the rules of the meeting citing CGS Statute 7-6, eligibility to vote at a town meeting, saying that registered voters or taxpayers appearing on the Grand List of October 1, 2013 and having a minimum assessment of \$1,000 are eligible. He also cited CGS 9-360 dealing with the penalties for voting if not franchised.

Moderator decided Item #2 would be discussed and acted upon first.

Item #2 of the call: Special Appropriation \$158,603 to Town Aid Roads (01-30-317-500-224) and Revenue Account (01-03-300-3301) Town Aid Roads Assistance.

Motion was made by Mark Nickerson and seconded by Steve Kelly to adopt the item.

Paul Formica explained the Town had finished with our process before the General Assembly had completed their process. We had anticipated receiving \$183,276 from the State but actually received \$158,603 in additional money. This needed to go through the appropriation process and has been passed by the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Finance. The amended budget for Town Aid Roads, \$341,879, will be used to improve our road system.

After some brief discussion, Item #2 of the call was passed.

Item #3 of the call: To adopt a Five Year Capital Plan.

Motion was made by Steve Kelly and seconded by Mark Nickerson to adopt the Five Year Capital Plan.

Paul Formica reviewed the Five Year Capital Plan. (see attachment) He explained that the Five Year Plan is worked on every year by a number of members of the Capital Improvement Plan Committee as well as a member of the Board of Finance, Superintendent of Schools, Director of Public Works, Parks & Recreation, First Selectman and Finance Director. He stated they get together to determine capital needs as they are moved forward for the next five years. The State has a requirement that we have a plan for any money they provide us. In terms with how the Capital Improvement Plan works within the budget process, plan year one (2014-2015) is a plan just like the next four years of the plan; nothing is written in stone. These are just items that we plan for and anticipate when we may need various items. When we get to this portion of the

budget cycle, then plan year one reflects what is in the general appropriation if the budget should pass. Paul Formica then reviewed the various departments as they appear on the Long Range Capital Plan attachment.

Ron Rando expressed his concern about our bonding debt. He was concerned about putting new windows and a sprinkler system in the Niantic Center School. He asks that nothing be done until the decision is made concerning the future of our schools. If there is a decision made to close Niantic Center School, then the new windows and sprinkler system should not be put in place.

Karen Rac asked why the Board of Education needed a 1-Ton pickup truck? She also questioned why the town would plan for a \$1M synthetic field/lighting project for Keser Field? She feels this would not be necessary.

Paul Formica responded that they are attempting to coordinate vehicles and to buy all the same thing. The 1-Ton pickup is a vehicle that will stand up over time and could possibly be used for many situations such as snow plowing. He stated that the Parks and Recreation director indicated that it would be beneficial to have all synthetic fields for playing fields.

After further discussion, Moderator called for a vote on Item #3. There was a motion made by John Drabik and seconded by Ron Rando for a vote by hand count. The motion passed. After the hand count, Item #3 to adopt the Five Year Capital Plan was passed.

Item #1: To review and discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014 as recommended by the Board of Finance.

Item #1a: In accordance with Chapter 7.3 of the Town Charter, the moderator shall adjourn the annual budget meeting to a referendum on the voting machines. The budget resolution will be submitted to the persons qualified to vote in a town meeting by referendum by machine vote, which referendum shall take place on May 22, 2014 at the East Lyme Community Center from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Moderator opened the floor for discussion of the budget.

Paul Formica presented a slide show and reviewed the budget for the 2014/2015 year stating the increase to this year's budget is 3.7% or \$1,940,000,000. Paul Formica reviewed some of the items that have caused the increase in the budget. He stated the building department is requesting \$10,912.00 for a part-time assistant building official due to the several large projects that are coming up. The IT program has had some issues so we are going to a service contract where we have bought blocks of time. The heating oil has gone up \$15,000 and electric rates have gone up \$5,000. CL&P has requested a 5.9% increase in rates and if granted, that is not included in that number. We are asking for a \$10,000 increase for a custodian to use one day a week for carpentry work for the town. The general government miscellaneous is up \$154,075 which has to do with

pension. The health insurance is up \$30,000 and our insurance liability is up. Our labor contingencies are up \$17,500 because we are negotiating two contracts and so we put an additional labor contingency item in that budget anticipating any future raises. The police department shows a \$60,000 increase out of its \$84,000 increase for DUI grant. Public works department is up \$233,000, \$181,000 of which is an increase in Town Aid Roads.

The increase in revenues include various items such as the transportation fund increase of \$58,000, Town Aid Roads: \$180,000, State-owned property: \$290,000, Pequot Fund: \$62,000, Building Permits:\$145,000, Beach Permits:\$30,000, Conveyance Taxes: \$25,000.

After discussion from the public, Moderator called for a motion to adjourn to a referendum that will be held on May 22, 2014 at the Community Center between the hours of 8 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Motion was made by Ruth Reluga and seconded by Mike Schultz. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lesley A Blais
Town Clerk

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Department Requests
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Priority Ratings:

- Essential for the provision of public health and safety.
- Required by State and Federal regulations.
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DEPT. #	2014/15 Priority	2014/15 PLAN	2015/16 PLAN	2016/17 PLAN	2017/18	2018/19	TOTAL REQUEST
102	ASSESSOR Revaluation (next reval in 2016 est \$294,000) and subsequent in 2021 est cost \$427,000 start funding	52,000 \$52,000	127,000 \$127,000	106,750 \$106,750	106,750 \$106,750	106,750 \$106,750	\$499,250 \$499,250
103	TAX COLLECTOR Folding/Mailing Machine	\$0 \$0	\$13,051 \$13,051	\$13,051 \$13,051	\$13,051 \$13,051	\$13,051 \$13,051	\$52,204 \$52,204
105	ENGINEERING CNRE (CAD Software & Survey Equipment) GF to CNRE Engineering Survey Van (current 1995) (Acq Police SUV)	0 \$0	5,000 \$5,000	5,000 \$5,000	5,000 \$5,000	5,000 \$5,000	\$20,000 \$20,000
109	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY Computer Equipment Replacement of computers town departments New Phone System (acquisition program) Fiber Optics for Phone System Total	12,500 \$12,500	15,000 6,300 15,000 \$36,300	15,000 6,300 15,000 \$21,300	15,000 6,300 15,000 \$21,300	15,000 6,300 15,000 \$21,300	\$72,500 \$25,200 \$15,000 \$112,700
113	BUILDING MAINTENANCE Electric folding doors in ELCC activity room Paint ELCC exterior Paint Library Interior Sprinkler System Repairs 8 Capital Dr & ELCC Replace broken fixtures in ELCC Parking Lot HANDICAP Entrance ELCC inside center Generator Town Hall HVAC Pump Replacement - Town-wide Johnson Controls ? Various Town-wide Roof Replacement Police Department Sallie Port Probate Heating System Upgrade Total	\$4,300 15,871 11,000 7,500 12,000 5,000 65,000 37,000 50,000 75,000 \$352,671				40,000 37,000 50,000 20,000 \$87,000 \$107,000 \$87,000	94,300 15,871 11,000 7,500 12,000 5,000 85,000 185,000 250,000 75,000 20,000 \$760,671
117	PLANNING GIS Upgrade	8,000 \$8,000	8,000 \$8,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	16,000 \$16,000
118	FINANCE DEPARTMENT						

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			45,000	45,000	45,000		135,000
		\$0	\$45,000	\$45,000	\$45,000	\$0	\$135,000
			15,000				15,000
		\$0	\$15,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,000
		7,500					7,500
		\$7,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,500
		16,589	23,309	23,309	23,309	7,000,000	7,000,000
		53,500				23,309	109,825
		73,725	57,604	40,430	23,344		53,500
		\$143,814	\$80,913	\$63,739	\$46,653	\$7,023,309	195,103
							\$7,358,428
		6,612	6,612	6,612	6,612	551	26,999
						125,000	125,000
		16,000				125,000	125,000
		11,000					16,000
							11,000
		\$33,612	\$6,612	\$6,612	\$6,612	4,000,000	4,000,000
						\$4,250,551	\$4,303,999
		\$1,300,000					\$1,300,000
			\$700,000				\$700,000
		\$16,200		\$675,000			\$675,000
		\$1,316,200	\$700,000	\$675,000	\$0	\$0	\$16,200
							\$2,675,000
		44,313	44,313	44,313	44,313		177,252
		7,336	7,336	7,336	7,336	612	29,956
		\$51,649	\$51,649	\$51,649	\$51,649	\$612	\$207,208
		432,934	335,124	222,997	103,561	7,016	1,101,632

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		40,109	86,409	86,409	86,409	86,409	385,745
	Vehicles/Equipment 2014/15 per plan (\$411,500)	35,700	62,500	0	0	0	35,700
	Equipment for Vehicles/Equipment noted above CNRE Funds	62,500	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	125,000
	Single Stream Recycling Carts Acquisition Program		6,000	0	0	0	48,000
	MSW/Recycling Carts		50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	6,000
	Snow Plows	0	200,000	150,000	150,000	150,000	200,000
	Sidewalk Repair	200,000	900,000	900,000	900,000	900,000	550,000
	Sidewalk Construction (Gorton Pond along Route 161)	900,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	4,500,000
	Improve road infrastructure existing Town roads	100,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	500,000
	Various Town-wide Parking Lot	10,000	550,000	350,000	350,000	350,000	50,000
	Maintenance of Town owned Dams		350,000	500,000	500,000	500,000	550,000
	Fueling Station & Tanks						700,000
	8 Capital Parking Lot & Site Construction						500,000
	Salt shed/Bus Office	\$1,781,243	\$2,662,033	\$2,381,406	\$1,261,970	\$1,165,425	\$9,252,077
418	Commission on Aging						
	Vehicle Replacement (2 - 12 passenger busses) Acquisition	15,317	11,487	11,487			38,291
	ELCC Expansion	\$15,317	\$81,487	\$11,487	\$0	\$0	70,000
420	LIBRARY						
	Library Expansion Project	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,000,000	6,000,000
421	PARKS & RECREATION						
	Cini Park Restrooms	500,000					500,000
	Athletic Field Development/ Roxbury Road Park		4,000,000				4,000,000
	Synthetic Turf Field/Lighting Upgrade Keser Field		1,000,000				1,000,000
	Parks Master Plan	7,500					7,500
	Peretz Park Improvements	100,000			100,000		100,000
	Basketball Court Renovation Peretz Park						100,000
	Peretz Park Parking Lot Overlay						100,000
	Deep Tine Aerator (new currently contract out) (acquisition)						0
	Overseeder (replace existing mid-1980's) (acquisition)						0
	Riding Paint Striper						20,000
	Leaf Vacuum						10,000
	McCooks - Improvements (Stairs, Walkways, Pavilion)			20,000			20,000
	McCooks - Bandshelter Amphitheater			10,000			10,000
	McCooks - Picnic Pavilion/walkway replacement			75,000			75,000
	Fencing Little League Complex (replace)					100,000	100,000
	Replace Vehicles Acquisition Program	58,880	50,061	42,113	32,860	2,585	186,499

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		6,300	8,610	8,610	8,610	8,610	40,740
		5,000	30,000				5,000
		0	25,000	50,000			30,000
		\$677,680	\$5,113,671	\$205,723	\$141,470	\$211,195	75,000
							\$6,349,739
		50,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	450,000
		250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	250,000	1,250,000
			200,000				200,000
			75,000	75,000			150,000
		\$300,000	\$625,000	\$425,000	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$2,050,000
		\$4,752,186	\$9,677,716	\$4,098,717	\$2,136,455	\$19,274,193	\$39,923,067
		165,615	157,065	121,174	53,472	3,809	501,135
		13,859	13,859	13,859	13,859	13,859	69,295
		48,000	48,000	48,000	48,000	48,000	240,000
		77,222					77,222
		106,025					106,025
				30,000			30,000
				750,000			750,000
				350,000			350,000
				100,000			100,000
				90,000			90,000
		209,000					209,000
		120,000					120,000
		550,000					550,000
		180,000					180,000
		40,000		270,000			270,000
				100,000			100,000
				750,000			750,000
						15,000,000	15,000,000
							100,000
							750,000

TOTAL, TOWN GOVERNMENT REQUESTS

999

EDUCATION

- BOE Acquisition Program (vehicle, telephone, MIS eq)
- BOE One TON Pick-up Truck (acquisition)
- District Wide Technology Plan 2014/15 est
- District-wide - Security Needs (Sch. Security, Competitive Grant Program)
- District-wide - Security Needs - Local Share
- Niantic Center ADA - Gym Access
- Niantic Center Energy Windows (est 50% reimbursement)
- Niantic Center Other-Sprinkler System
- Central Office ADA Ramp
- Central Office Energy-Windows
- Central Office New Roof
- District-wide - Upgrade Network
- ELHS - Reserve for Artificial Turf Field Replacement
- ELHS Other - Tennis Courts resurfacing
- ELHS Lights w/tennis court & family locker room
- ELHS Other - Gym Sprinkler System
- Elementary School Proposed Construction Engineering Design
- Elementary School Proposed Construction (initial bonding)
- Flanders ADA Handicapped Bathroom
- Flanders Energy Window Replacement (est 50% reimburse)

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Flanders Other - Sprinkler System				400,000			400,000
Haynes - Redesign and Build Drop Off/Parking			600,000				600,000
Haynes - electric upgrade to east wing			\$818,924	\$3,023,033	\$115,331	\$15,065,668	\$20,532,677
TOTAL, BOARD OF EDUCATION REQUESTS		\$1,509,721	\$818,924	\$3,023,033	\$115,331	\$15,065,668	\$20,532,677
TOTAL TOWN & EDUCATION REQUESTS		\$6,261,907	\$10,496,640	\$7,121,750	\$2,251,786	\$34,339,861	\$60,471,944

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		\$894,686	\$868,716	\$739,967	\$527,705	\$540,443	3,571,517
		\$227,474	\$218,924	\$183,033	\$115,331	\$65,668	810,430
		577,222	15,000	0	0	0	592,222
		3,809,000	8,895,000	5,740,000	1,150,000	33,150,000	52,744,000
		429,225	369,000	348,750	348,750	348,750	1,844,475
		324,300	110,000	110,000	110,000	110,000	764,300
		0	20,000	0	0	125,000	145,000
		\$6,261,907	\$10,496,640	\$7,121,750	\$2,251,786	\$34,339,861	\$60,471,944

FUNDING SOURCES:

Town
BOE
Grants
Bonds & Notes
Capital & Nonrecurring Fund
Capital & Nonrecurring Fund (LoCIP)
Other Funds
TOTAL FUNDING REQUIRED

Note:

Items to be added
20/20 Building Improvements

\$0

\$0

\$0

\$0

\$0

\$0

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\$0

\$0