

EAST LYME BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING OF MARCH 18, 2015
MINUTES

FILED IN EAST LYME
CONNECTICUT
March 19 2015 AT 9:00 AM/PM
BROCK D. LAMUS, etc
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

Present: Mark Nickerson, Holly Cheeseman, Rose Ann Hardy, Rob Wilson.

Mr. Nickerson called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m. and led the Pledge. He noted that Mr. Seery was travelling and that Mr. Salerno was away on business.

1b. Additional Agenda & Consent Calendar Items

There were none.

1c. Delegations

There was none.

1d. Approval of Minutes, Meeting of March 4, 2015

MOTION (1)

Ms. Cheeseman moved to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 4, 2015 as submitted.

Seconded by Mr. Wilson.

Aye: Mr. Nickerson, Mr. Wilson, Ms. Cheeseman.

Nay: None.

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

1e. Consent Calendar

MOTION (2)

Ms. Cheeseman moved to approve the Consent Calendar for the meeting of March 18, 2015 in the amount of \$8672.47.

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

2a. Special Appropriation \$1811 – Grant from DEEP Watershed Mgt. Program – Hole in the Wall
Mr. Nickerson said that it is anticipated that the \$1,811 Grant will be awarded to the Town of East Lyme to purchase plantings and provide upgrades to the detention basins associated with the Outdoor Stormwater Classroom at the Hole-in-the-Wall parking lot. Long Island Sound (LIS) is considered CT's largest and most important natural resource; providing breeding & nesting areas for a variety of plants & animals. Untreated stormwater runoff creates water quality problems for LIS. When it rains, pollutants are carried to LIS after stormwater passes over impervious surfaces such as rooftops & pavement; carrying accumulated greases, oil, salts, fertilizers & pesticides that can damage & kill plants & wildlife. The proposed upgrades & plantings at the detention basins will improve the aesthetics of the basins, while contributing to

improved water quality prior to stormwater being discharged to Long Island Sound. The remaining project cost of \$ 3,453.75 is based on an estimated “matching” contribution from Town staff. The matching contribution is based on labor time from Town employees to prepare the detention basins for the plantings and install the plantings; there will be NO in-kind funds that the Town of East Lyme allocates for this program.

MOTION (3)

Ms. Cheeseman moved to approve a special appropriation in the amount of \$1,811 grant from the CT DEEP Watershed / NPS Management Program – Section 319, to an account to be established titled, (DEEP NPS 319 - Stormwater Classroom) to provide support for the purchase plantings and upgrades to the detention basins associated with the Outdoor Stormwater Classroom at the Hole-in-the-Wall parking lot and forward to the Board of Finance for approval.

Seconded by Ms. Hardy. Motion passed 4-0.

2b. Zoning Commission Alternate Appointment

This item was tabled until next meeting to enable the entire Board to vote.

2c. Parahus Account Expenditure – COA – up to \$2240 for freezer

MOTION (4)

Ms. Cheeseman moved to approve an expenditure of up to \$2240 for the purchase of a freezer for the Commission on Aging from the Parahus Account.

Seconded by Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Nickerson noted that the Rotary Club was donating \$2240 to the Parahus Account to enable the Commission on Aging to purchase this freezer.

Mr. Wilson requested that Ms. Wilson send a letter thanking the Rotary and copying the Selectmen.

Motion passed 4-0.

5. Ex-Officio

Mr. Wilson attended the Flanders Fire House banquet at Langley’s noting he thanked them for their service and said that the Board appreciates all that they do.

Ms. Cheeseman had no report since Zoning had been cancelled.

Ms. Hardy had no report since Planning had been cancelled. She noted the recent resignation of Mr. Kalal from the Commission of Natural Resources saying that a replacement was needed. She also stated that there has been a long time vacancy on the Smith Harris Commission and the Water and Sewer Commission and suggested that these vacancies be put on the web page in hopes of finding applicants.

5b. First Selectman's Report

Mr. Nickerson noted that he had attended meetings for the Connecticut Council of Municipalities and Council of Governments. He said that legislative bills that were in front of the legislature were discussed along with the status of the State budget. He met with 24 French students for an exchange program pot luck dinner and declared them unofficial East Lyme citizens. He delivered the Selectmen's budget to the Board of Finance and they have started their review. He toured LB Haynes School and noted that the Board of Education's plan is to close this school and give it back to the Town with a suggestion that it be used as a new town hall site. He said that he was amazed at the size of the building and what great shape it was in. He added that more discussion would be needed on this topic and promised "more to come."

MOTION (5)

Ms. Cheeseman moved to adjourn the March 18, 2015 meeting of the East Lyme Board of Selectmen at 7:32 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Darlene C. Stevens". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name of the signatory.

Darlene C. Stevens, Recording Secretary