

**Town of Lyme
October 8, 2014
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
6:30 P.M.**

Supervisor Aubertine called tonight's Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.; opening with a Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at tonight's meeting: Supervisor Aubertine, Councilwoman Harris, Councilmen Bourquin, Henderson and Villa, Assessors Barton and Gotham, Three Mile Bay Cemetery Superintendent Julia Gosier, BAR Member Dave Bourquin and one other.

There was no Supervisor's Report prepared for tonight's meeting due to software problems. The September 2014 Supervisor's Report will be available at the next scheduled Budget Work Session.

Highway Superintendent's Report

Pat and his MEO's have been working on the Highway Garage doing some much needed repairs and buttoning up for winter. The roof on the Highway Garage has been repaired and it seems to have stopped any leaks.

Pat is preparing for winter and they have been busy getting the trucks and equipment ready for service.

The shoulders on the Moffett Road have been finished.

Clerk's Report – September 2014

Total State County and Local Revenues:	\$6,940.37
Total Local Shares Remitted:	\$6,613.49

Audit of the Bills

RESOLUTION 2014- 114: Motion by Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilwoman Harris approving Abstract #19 in the amount of \$6,706.53. Five ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2014 – 115: Motion by Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Bourquin approving Abstract #20 in the amount of \$83,151.88. Five ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2014 – 116: Motion by Councilwoman Harris and seconded by Councilman Henderson approving the Minutes of the September 10, 2014 Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes with the exception of Resolution 2014 – 103; Councilwoman Harris abstained from that vote. The change shall read that Councilwoman Harris abstained and there were Four ayes and the Motion was carried.

Committee Reports

Municipal Water Board Report – Marsha Barton

RESOLUTION 2014 – 117: Motion by Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilwoman Harris allowing Scott Whitaker, 10584 County Route 8, Chaumont, New York to become a customer and add a new service line in Water District #4. Five ayes. Motion carried.

Water Facility – There have been more problems with the timer, CREG Systems has been back for more repairs; there is a possibility that the timer may need to be replaced.

Lance Development – The Municipal Water Board has yet to receive any of the approvals required to move forward with the Lance Development. Bernier and Carr are reviewing the plan, map and report and they will be forwarding their approval to the Department of Health. This step has been required by the Health Department since the Town will own the infrastructure once the project has been approved.

Mixer Update – Bernier and Carr are preparing a report to be sent to the Department of Health to receive permission from the Department of Health to move forward with the installation.

Condition Assessment – Utility Services has inspected the water tank. They will be attending the meeting and will have a full report available at that time.

Youth Committee Report – Supervisor Aubertine

The school has requested having the fall soccer league move their games over to the school fields, mainly for support of the Booster Club's concession trailer, but also to accommodate the larger 11 on 11 man teams.

There are approximately 32 children, grades 4 – 6 participating in the fall soccer program. The games will be held on Sundays until October 19th. The fall soccer coaches are Rob Goutremout, Derek Parker and Adam.

Basketball paperwork will go home with students this week and sign-ups have started. Practices will begin October 26th in the school gym for grades 2 – 6. Coaches for the basketball program are Jennifer Sosa, Leo Wilson and Charlie O'Brien.

Mike Nichols is cleaning out the Youth Center in the basement of the Masonic Lodge. The fire department will be taking the ping pong and air hockey tables and most everything else will be thrown away.

Three Mile Bay Cemetery Report – Julia Gosier

The Cemetery will have to be mowed one more time this season.

The Wells Cemetery foundation work has been completed. Mr. Wilson did a nice job.

Planning Board Report – Gail Miller

The Planning Board had an excellent meeting with the County.

A final proposal regarding the Zoning Ordinance will be provided to the Town Board prior to their next meeting. The Planning Board will give the Town Board potential dates for a Joint Meeting to be held in December.

ZEO/CEO Report

Building/Zoning Permits Issued:	9
Demo Permits Issued:	1
Certificates of Occupancy	1
ZBA Referrals:	2
Site Visits and Inspections:	6
Complaints:	1
Investigations:	1

Permits Issued For:

Home or Cottage:	2
Garage/Barn:	2
Fence:	1
Additions:	2
Other:	1
Septic:	1

New Business

Masonic Lodge Contract – Supervisor Aubertine explained that the Masonic Lodge does such a wonderful service to the community that he would like to continue to help them although the building is no longer used for the youth program. The Town continues to pay for the Masonic Lodge electricity, which is detailed in the agreement between the two entities.

Councilman Villa would like to support the Masonic Lodge in a similar manor as we support other organizations such as the Garden Club and Community Foundation; he would like to see a fixed amount that would be included in the annual budget.

Supervisor Aubertine suggested making the Masonic Lodge a line item of approximately \$1,500.00 for next year. He feels we should maintain the current agreement until the end of this year.

The Masonic Lodge discussion will be TABLED until the 2015 Budget Work Sessions.

RESOLUTION 2014 – 118: Motion by Councilwoman Harris and seconded by Councilman Villa scheduling the following Budget Work Sessions:

October 20, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

October 23, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

October 24, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

A Public Hearing for the Preliminary Budget will be held on November 6, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

Five ayes. Motion carried.

Resolution in Support of the International Joint Commission's Lake Ontario-St. Lawrence River Plan 2014 –

RESOLUTION 2014 – 119: Motion by Councilman Henderson and seconded by Councilman Villa supporting the International Joint Commission's Lake Ontario – St. Lawrence River Plan 2014 as follows:

WHEREAS, the ecological health of Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River is paramount to the economy of the region, contributing billions through sectors including but not limited to tourism, commercial and recreational fishing, boating, shipping, and power generation.

WHEREAS, landowners, public infrastructure, business, and communities are now threatened by erosion, and by lack of coordination in management of the shoreline, and have experienced flooding in the past; and

WHEREAS, the levels and flows of Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River are regulated through a dam in the River in accordance with a regulation plan that is over 50 years old; and

WHEREAS, the current regulation plan “Plan 1958D” has proven inadequate to address unforeseen conditions, requiring frequent deviations attempting to stabilize the Lake, and has caused clear environmental harm to wetlands, coastal habitats, and the myriad economically and environmentally important species of plants and animals they harbor, thereby degrading the quality of life for all citizens of the Lake Ontario – St. Lawrence River Region; and

WHEREAS, the International Joint Commission has sponsored a 10-year, \$20 million process to develop a new regulation plan that addresses the concerns of all stakeholders in New York, Ontario and Quebec; and

WHEREAS, the International Joint Commission now proposes “Plan 2014” as the new regulation plan for the Lake Ontario – St. Lawrence River system: and

WHEREAS, Plan 2014 will increase production of hydropower by the dams in the St. Lawrence River, and maintain the benefits that regulation of the River and Lake has provided to international shipping; and

WHEREAS, by restoring some of the natural fluctuations in water levels, while avoiding extreme high and low levels, Plan 2014 will restore the plant and animal diversity of coastal wetlands without public investment and dramatically increase opportunities for hunting, fishing and wildlife viewing.

NOW THEREFORE, the Tow of Lyme supports Plan 2014 and urges its swift adoption by the U.S. and Canadian Federal Governments.

Four ayes. Motion carried. Councilman Bourquin was not in favor of supporting the Resolution.

Privilege of the Floor

Gail Miller – County Route 125 Chaumont – Commended the Town Board for their support of “Save the River”. Gail feels that there will be much better results with water levels and all that are affected by them.

A Motion was offered by Councilwoman Harris and seconded by Councilman Villa adjourning tonight’s meeting at 7:20 p.m. Five ayes. Motion carried.

The Minutes of tonight’s meeting are respectfully submitted by

***Kim Wallace,
Town Clerk***