

**Town of Lyme
July 19, 2011
Joint Meeting with Village
5:00 P.M.**

Supervisor Aubertine called tonight's meeting to order at 5:20 p.m.

Present at tonight's Meeting: Supervisor Aubertine, Councilwoman Harris, Councilmen Villa and Bourquin, Mayor Val Rust, Village Trustees Bill Borden, Jim Price, Mike Nichols and Scott Willett, Highway Superintendent Pat Weston and Brian Cosselman.

The Town of Lyme has received a proposal from the Village in regard to the circumstances they are undergoing with the lack of DPW employees. The Boards are hoping to find a resolution to the problem tonight.

Superintendent Weston stated that it has been tough the past few weeks, trying to keep up with the Village work. He has stepped up to the plate and done all he and the Highway Department could to keep things running as smooth as possible, given the current circumstances. He feels that if he has to take over the Village's DPW responsibilities he will need an eight-man crew in order to operate effectively.

Councilman Villa stated that the Town would do everything they could to help the Village, but the Village cannot impose extra expenses on the Town. Dan is in favor of anything we can do to help as long as the added expenses are not passed on to the Town taxpayers.

Mayor Rust realizes that the Town will have a hard time with the transition. Val submitted three possible proposals to the Town Board, along with Village Maintenance and Operational List and the 2011 – 2012 budgeted appropriations concerning the DPW.

Trustee Borden feels that the Town Board should find out what issues they face and then make determinations accordingly.

The Village has no choice right now other than to have DANC provide them with a sewer operator. Bryon Perry attended tonight's meeting indicating that they would try to work within the constraints of the Village's Budget. DANC will move forward providing what is necessary for manpower and

services in order to keep the Village compliant and moving in the right direction.

A Motion to adjourn the Joint Meeting and have the Town Board reconvene in two minutes was made by Councilwoman Harris and seconded by Councilman Villa at 6:15 p.m. Four ayes. Motion carried.

A Motion was made by Councilwoman Harris and seconded by Councilman Villa reconvening the Town Board Meeting at 6:15 p.m. Four ayes. Motion carried.

The Town Board discussed the options presented by the Village. After much deliberating the Town Board approved the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION 2011 -118: *Motion by Councilman Villa and seconded by Councilman Bourquin having the Town assume the responsibility of the Village DPW; providing the necessary services for street maintenance, rubbish removal and the water department for an annual payment of \$60,000 to be paid to the Town of Lyme with an annual due date of July 1st. This Resolution will take affect pending Village Board approval. The agreement will be renewable per annum. Four ayes. Motion carried.*

RESOLUTION 2011 - 119: *Motion by Councilman Bourquin and seconded by Councilman Villa making Garth Thompson a full time Union Employee for the Town Highway Department. This declaration will be contingent upon the Village accepting the proposal of RESOLUTION – 2011 -118. Four ayes. Motion carried.*

A Motion was made by Supervisor Aubertine and seconded by Councilman Villa to adjourn tonight's meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Kim Wallace
Town Clerk*