

Town of Lyme
March 12, 2008
Regular Town Board Meeting
6:30 P.M.

The regularly scheduled monthly Town Board Meeting was called to order by Supervisor Aubertine and was opened with a Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at tonight's meeting: Supervisor Aubertine, Councilman Johnson, Madill and Schreib, Attorney Mark Gebo, Bookkeeper Tom Bowie, Assessor's Sandy Cornell, Marsha Barton and Roz Gotham, ZBA Chairman Harry Staudenmayer, Clerk Wallace and approximately 20 others.

Privilege of the Floor

Bob Thomas – Didn't really have anything tonight. Not much has changed in the past couple of months.

Marsha Barton – Asked Mr. Thomas about the safety glass at the Public Safety Building. Mr. Thomas responded by stating that they have been meeting with the architects. That situation will be addressed. He stated "you have to feel secure to be secure." They have been looking at the whole situation. It will probably be a couple of years before it is completed.

Sandy Cornell – You don't really have security there if you don't have security with the people who can open the doors. She had concerns about someone going into the building with a gun and there not being enough security. There have been situations in the past couple of months where people have gone into courthouses and people have been shot.

Supervisor Aubertine told Mr. Thomas that we had a problem on Point Salubrious again with the ice fisherman and we really need to do something this summer to try to correct the situation. He had also read in the paper where the State had awarded the Town of Lyme a grant. He hasn't seen anything yet and wasn't sure if it was designated for the boat launch or out a Golden's Marina. Scott has not heard anything in regard to this.

Mr. Thomas stated that he had appointed Jack Miller, from the Town of Lyme, as the vice chairman of the Fish Island project in Dexter. With the experience that Jack gets with his involvement on this project will be beneficial to the Town of Lyme when the opportunity for a similar project arises here. The project has to do with people with special disabilities and giving them the opportunity to fish. This project is connected with the Seaway Trail.

Amy Barton- Requested to increase the return check fee; it is now at \$15.00. Citizens Bank has doubled their fees from \$5.00 to \$10.00. With the cost of trying to recover the money she feels it is a good idea to increase the fee.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 33: motion by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Madill to increase the returned check fee for the Town

*from \$15.00 (current fee) to \$25.00 (twenty-five dollars). Four ayes.
Motion carried.*

Amy continued with saying that she had received in the mail from the Association of Receivers and Collectors, a number of items, one being, that the State would like to change the Tax Collectors position from an elected position to an appointed one. This would take effect in 2009, if it were passed. The position of the school tax collector would be simply abolished and transferred to the Tax Collector. We are in a Town of the second class. The State is looking to consolidate services in hopes to save money. Rather than the tax collector being elected there is a possibility of them being appointed and that person will not have to be a resident of the Town, but of the State. This is a concern. In an effort to save money it could actually end up costing more. In her case, the position would be abolished at the end of her term in 2011. The School Tax collector would be abolished in 2009 and at that point turned over to the Town. She does not want to see another position at the local level taken away. There is a lot to think about and she would like to get the Boards thoughts, ideas and opinions.

Gene Stover – Would like to address the new charge on the returned check fee in the next issue of the Lyme Light.

Charlie Mount – The Three Mile Bay Fire Department got their fuel oil bill. The maximum they can write a check for at one time is \$1500.00 at one time. They would like to request sending us a couple of payments because the bill was over \$1500.00. The Board was in agreement to having the Fire Department pay in a way that was convenient for them.

There will be a dinner honoring Kent Wiley for 60 years of service to the Community on March 22nd at the Three Mile Bay Fire Hall. Happy hour starts at 6:30 p.m.

Bruce Kingsley – He understands that the Jefferson County Health Department has put a ban on shore wells. Is the Board aware of this? He feels this could really handicap a lot of the construction along the waterfront. Councilman stated that shore wells are not permitted in the State, period. They are not an option. Councilman Schreib will get the names and numbers of people to contact in regard to the situation.

Highway Superintendent Report

We had a phone call from Bonnie Parker earlier in the meeting and Tommy has been taken to the hospital by ambulance this evening.

Supervisor Aubertine has spoken to Superintendent Parker and Billy Scarpocchi regarding the cell phone policy. Billy does not want to sign the policy as written. The cell phone will be in the truck. Superintendent Parker felt he does not need to sign it because he is an elected official. Supervisor Aubertine feels it is important that they can be contacted if necessary. The School, 911 and the State, contacts Tom regularly.

Councilman Madill would like them to give the phones back if they are not willing to sign the cell phone agreement.

Supervisor Aubertine is not thrilled with the policy himself. It is very general and it seems there is no room for not getting into trouble with it. The policy indicates “no personal use what so ever”. Tom is reluctant because he feels there is no room for error and he is worried about getting in trouble with it.

Councilman Schreib feels that it is a good policy and if people use their cell phones responsibly there should be no problem.

The repairs on the loader are complete.

Supervisor Aubertine discussed the topic of Part-timers with Tom. He said that part-timers are being used. He is using Brian Cosselman, Ray McIntosh, and Leon Walker.

Superintendent Parker has talked with Supervisor Aubertine in regard to taking the bidders for the abandoned cemeteries around and explaining to them the work that needs to be done.

Councilman Johnson asked to go back to the Part-times subject. This Town Board wants Superintendent Parker to hire more part-timers and use the budget they have appropriated to cut down the overtime expense to this Town. He has not heard the Superintendent Parker has embraced this idea as of yet. Councilman Johnson, as well as the others, has a concern with this. It is not against the Union Contract.

Councilmen Johnson and Madill have been discussing this subject for the past two years. Change is difficult but it is for the betterment of the taxpayers. Councilman Schreib has given the mathematics as to what benefit it is to the Town. At the end of the year if Tom is over on the full time budget and under on the part time budget and wants funds transferred, it will be a problem.

Audit of Bills

Supervisor Aubertine commended the Clerk’s and Councilman Johnson for all the effort that goes into the bills and abstracts. Councilman Johnson stated that he gets a real education on where the Town’s money is being spent.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 34: Motion by Councilman Madill and seconded by Councilman Johnson to approve Abstract # 5 in the amount of \$13,599.91. Four ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 35: Motion by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Schreib to approve Abstract # 6 in the amount of \$141,815.46. Four ayes. Motion carried.

There were question regarding Henderson Trucking (Voucher #60 - DA) and a cylinder that was purchased. Tires purchased from Iroquois Tire (Voucher #62 – DA). Question regarding USDL, (Voucher #67 – DA) and highway

blend (Voucher #68). Those Vouchers were pulled from Abstract # 6 and will be addressed accordingly to satisfy the questions of the Board.

Supervisor Aubertine had noticed a National Grid bill for the ball field that had kilowatt usage in January and February. The bill had indicated that there was no usage for the December 2007 but in January and February 2008 there is showing some usage. He will call and find out the status.

Supervisor's Report

Tom Bowie presented the February 2008 Supervisor's Report. The concerns requested by the Board in the February meeting regarding the font size and placement of the account numbers were addressed to the Boards satisfaction.

There are some concerns with over expenditures and those accounts will be watched.

Marsha Barton inquired about pay dates. Mr. Bowie indicated that once the dates are established, paydays would be every other Tuesday. Councilman Johnson asked for a schedule for the year so the Town employees will know when to expect their checks.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 36: Motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Johnson to accept the Supervisor's Report for February 2008, as presented. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Clerk's Report

Total revenues for the Town Clerks Office for the month of February 2008 were \$3,958.75.

Committee Reports

Supervisor Aubertine has had two letters from people interested in helping with the Point Salubrious and Three Mile Point water district formation.

Letter sent to Sara Pesek, Syracuse University – Environmental Finance Center, 621 Skytop Road, Suite 1000, Syracuse, NY 13244:

The Town of Lyme has received your letter regarding the program held on February 27, 2008 (Lake Ontario Costal Communities – Challenges and Opportunities), but regrettfully it arrived a few days after the registration date, so we were unable to send a representative from our area.

Our Community is very interested in water and sewer infrastructure and currently we are in the process of expansion in these areas. With so much emphasis on the environment and the protection of our natural resources, we feel it is imperative that we educate ourselves as much as possible for the betterment of our community.

If you have any further information regarding grants or financial assistance, we would appreciate your help in facilitating us with anything that might be beneficial.

We would ask that you keep us in mind for any future programs in association with LOCI.

We appreciate your efforts and are looking forward to meeting you.

Marsha Barton asked what the Infrastructure committee is and what might they be doing that the Municipal Water Board is not? There are two different groups trying to do the same thing. Shouldn't the Infrastructure Committee be coordinating with the Water Board?

Supervisor Aubertine and Councilman Johnson are not taking over the Water Board. They are trying to find out if there are any other opportunity out there that might assist the Water Board. They are just trying to find out about initiatives out in the world today to help with the infrastructure of our Town. They realize that they need to work closely with the Water Board.

Supervisor Aubertine and Councilman Johnson will attend the next Water Board Meeting on Wednesday March 26th at 6:30 p.m. to explain the Infrastructure Committee and its function.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 37: Motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Madill to approve the January and February 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Three Mile Bay Improvement Committee – The Town Board had decided last month that it is a lot of money to commit to. Supervisor Aubertine has met with Paul Norton to let him know that although the Town cannot do anything for him right now, he encourages Paul to gather support in Three Mile Bay and maybe even look into a way to come up with funding. In Scott's eyes that project is not dead. He would like to see something happen in Three Mile Bay. He told Paul we would do what we could to try to do something. He has spoken to Steve Gagnon from the Department of Transportation and he said it is possible for the Town to apply for a Highway Work Permit. It is a process that could take a year or two. Paul is going to try to get together the concerned citizens of Three Mile Bay to see what they would like to do.

Paul Norton feels we should meet with the State as a group. He is concerned that we are going to miss out; they do have some other options on the table. He feels this project not only affects the citizens of Three Mile Bay but the Town as a whole. Paul believes we will secure some funding. He is currently working with several politicians; Senator Aubertine's office, Ed Gaffney, Carla Melgren from the Tug Hill Commission (the Governor's Office had contacted them to help us). This would include help for more than just the lighting.

Councilman Madill is concerned that we have to commit to securing \$158,000.00 for the project by July 2008. The biggest part of the cost is the excavation work.

Youth Committee – Charlie Mount – They are currently finishing up their winter sports schedule, it has not been as busy as in the past.

The Summer Program will be starting. There is a business in the Town that has sponsored an entire team; this will help offset budgeted expenses.

The Teen Center is closed until after the school break. There have been only two or three students in attendance per day.

Scott Radley would like to request the use of the school's soccer field for the summer soccer program. Scott feels that if his program falls under the Town of Lyme's Youth Commission Program that it would be more apt to be approved by the School Board.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 38: Motion by Councilman Madill and seconded by Councilman Johnson to approve Scott Radley's junior soccer teams and that they be endorsed beneath the Youth Commission, under all rules and regulations falling under the umbrella of the Town's insurance. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Turning back to the Three Mile Bay Lighting District:

In order to officially request the work, the Town will have to pass and submit a resolution with a complete set of highway plans, including any requested work by the Town must be completed by July of 2008 in order to be prepared for the bidding process. They will need to know well in advance of this if the Town still wants to pursue these betterments. Due to the complexities of incorporating the ornamental lighting along with the necessary electrical system they will need to know quite soon if the Town is still interested. The street request will also need advanced notice in order to incorporate the necessary items and designs. In order to officially request the work the Town will officially have to pass a resolution to that affect. The funding will have to be in hand at the Town level by the July time frame. In order for the project to go on to bid a second resolution will need to be submitted stating that the Town agrees to pay for the work. That is why you will need the money in hand. In order for the State to award the contract to the winning bidder the funds will all have to be deposited with the State Comptrollers Office. We will be sent a letter requesting the funds within so many days once the sealed bids are opened.

The Resolution authorizing the State of New York to incorporate the construction of new ornamental lighting along New York State Route 12E in the Town of Lyme.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 39: Motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded By Councilman Madill accepting the DOT's resolution as written by the DOT. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Paul Norton again stated that there are some enhancement grants becoming available. There was a design made up in 2000 or 2001 and a question ere asking the residents of Three Mile Bay what they would like to see in their Community. The project was killed because the DOT decided not to do the Main Street Project until now, reasons unknown. There have been two Public Meetings at the Fire Hall. Paul had put information in the Lyme Light last month letting people know that he would be the contact person and asking if anyone would be interested in getting involved; he received no calls. Three Mile Bay has a lot of good things happening with this Main Street program and the DEC buying Bachy's. This could be another nice thing that could happen.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 40: Motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Madill indicating that if Paul Norton does not obtain the money for the project by the designated time that the Town of Lyme will not be responsible or bear the cost for the Ornamental Lighting in Three Mile Bay. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Assessor's Report

Marsha Barton –

Field Review – The Assessor's have completed their fieldwork for the 2008 tax roll.

Exemption Processing – March 1st was the deadline for receiving exemption applications for the 2008 roll. The only exception is under certain conditions. The Enhanced Star Application can be accepted until Grievance Day and approved thru the Board of Assessment Review.

2008 Tax Roll – The Assessor's are working on the final changes for the roll and preparing the change book. They have developed a new format this year that will be more efficient and easier to use in the future.

Zoning Permit Book - For the past couple of years they have had a very hard time getting the Zoning permits together. They have a much more efficient plan in place that will produce a more detailed zoning permit book for the 2008 zoning permits.

Municipal Water Board

Water Board Vacancy Recommendation – They would like to ask for a resolution to appoint David Rush to fill the term of Bruce Kingsley, which will expire 1/1/2011.

Water – Reserve Repair and Maintenance Account – The Board has been provided a copy of the financial breakdown of the monies to be deposited in the Water reserve Repair and Maintenance account. They would like to ask for a resolution to have the accountant set up the account and make the deposit.

Sensus Reader - They have ordered a new reader for reading the water meters.

Standard Monitoring Plan – DANC – Bill Scarppchi is completing the necessary paperwork to be submitted to EPA and the Department of Health, as required by April 1st. A copy will be provided to the Town Board when it is completed.

Change in Charge Increase from DANC – Last month, the Municipal Water Board reported there would be an increase from DANC. There has been a change in the increase. Based on the meeting, last week with the Operators, it was determined that the filters would not have to be changed out as soon as anticipated. Therefore, the rate increase of the DANC capital charge would be from \$14.04 to \$15.73, an increase of \$1.69 per EDU, per quarter, instead of over 46.00. The increase in the water charge will remain at \$3.09.

Letter From Rural Development – In regard to the letter from Rural Development concerning Water district # 5 (Old Town Springs Road), they have contacted Bernier and Carr. They are in the process of gathering all the needed paperwork. They will need a copy of the 2008 financial report from the Town.

Point Salubrious Proposed Water District – The legal notice is being reviewed by Mark Gebo and will be advertised in the newspaper, as soon as he approves it. The database and maps that have to be provided to bidders are ready.

Water Use Law – The Water Board is going back to the drawing board on the revision of the Water Use Laws into one document. Attorney Gebo has reviewed the first attempt and made several suggestions and corrections. As soon as the second draft is ready, it will be forwarded back to Mr. Gebo for review. They will also be asking Kris Dimmick to review, to see if there are any recommended suggestions.

Lastly, the Water Board will be responsible for preparation of an annual accounting each year.

The Water Reserve Fund Pass Book will be secure in the Town Clerk's Office, along with the Savings Pass Books that are currently used for deposits for each water district.

Copies will be distributed to the Supervisor and Town Board, Town Clerk and the Town Accountant.

At the beginning of each year, a report will be generated and distributed to the above that will show a complete breakdown of how much is in each of the five separate accounts.

Any interest earned on the account, providing no funds have been drawn in that year, will be divided and added to the proper account. For 2008 interest earned, the division will be the following:

Water Facility	18%
Water District #1	5%
Water District #2	28%
Water District #3	0%
Water District #4	49%

Per Mark Gebo, if this Repair and Maintenance Account reaches \$100,000.00, the Board should consider opening a second account. Capital Reserve Account.

The Repair and Maintenance Account can only be used for Repair and Maintenance. The Capital Account can be used for capital Projects.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 41: Motion by councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Madill to establish an account for the Water Reserve Fund, keeping separate ledgers of reserves in each district, transferring \$30,508.78. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Three Mile Bay Cemetery Report

Julia Gosier – Julie is working with a family who has several cemetery lots, to find the best use of the vacant gravesites in those lots. The research and reorganization of records, which she has been doing since taking this job, is making this kind of project possible.

Julie started making preliminary preparations for the first Spring burial, which will be in late April or early May.

She has recently had a long phone conversation with the State division of Cemeteries regarding the handling of many different tasks within the scope of responsibility of a municipal cemetery supervisor. She will now begin work on a new set of rules and regulations for our cemetery.

Julie is hopeful that Joe Repp will be reappointed as the seasonal cemetery employee, keeping everything basically the same as last year. He is always available and has done an excellent job in the past. He is hired from May 1st thru October 31st and was paid \$12.00 per hour; he is willing to work for the same rate this year. It is a job that we have interviewed for in the past. Attorney Gebo indicated that the job is not required to go out for bid. Our Procurement Policy does require a couple of quotes.

Councilman Johnson feels we should advertise to be consistent.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 42: Motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Madill to advertise in the Watertown Daily Times, per job description provided by Julia Gosier. The Town will accept applications until the date in the advertisement. Ad will run for one week. The Oversight Committee will do interviews and make their recommendation by the April Meeting. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Planning Board

Boo Harris – They are continuing to work on the wind Law. There will be a Joint Meeting with the Town board on March 20, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at the Chaumont Fire Hall. Andy Nevin, County Planning, would be available if anyone would like him present at the next meeting.

ZBA

Mary Bates will not be back in time for the April meeting. Harry's Chair ended this month. The ZBA has a Co-chair; if they have a quorum and a co-chair they should be able to operate.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 43: Motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Johnson to renew the CD at the Citizens Bank at an interest rate to meet or exceed the market rate. Four ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 44: Motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Madill to approve the 2007 New York State Snow and Ice Agreement and authorize the Supervisor to sign as such. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Correspondence

North Country Affordable Housing – programs available for low income households, for example a household of four can not exceed \$40,700.00. There are programs available for mobile home replacement and new construction programs, with grants up to \$30,000.00 toward the cost of replacing an older mobile home with a modular or stick built house or for straight new home construction. Owner occupied rehab – this is a matching grant to provide necessary repairs to a homeowners dwelling. There are accessibility modifications for the disabled or elderly. For more information call 785-8684.

There was also a letter from the County Attorney regarding County Route 125. Before the Town is willing to take over the section of 125, they have requested that the County do some additional work on the shoulders of the road in the area of the Morris Track Ball Field. The County Highway Superintendent said he was not aware of this.

Correspondence

Letters addressed to the Supervisor and the Town Board from Bob and Jody Asbury, County Route 125 Chaumont offering their help in the efforts of the Point Salubrious Water District formation and Richard Nagel, Point Peninsula, asked the Board to consider some of the positive aspects of industrial wind farms prior to making any final decisions. He closed his letter by suggesting the Board turn the old railroad bed into a hiking, biking, snowmobile trail in exchange for letting the power line go through.

Old Business

New Highway Pickup – Superintendent Parker provided the Board with information on a Fairport Ford, quoted at between \$36,000.00 and

\$38,000.00, with out the plow. Councilman Schreib had contacted OGS – Robert Greene Truck Division in Rockville, NY and they sent a specification for a Chevrolet – 3500, 4 x 4. Their price was \$36,800.00 with a plow. He is waiting to here Superintendent Parker’s comments regarding the truck. Supervisor Aubertine will discuss any additions or exceptions Tom would like to see made to the vehicle. Currently the highway has two plows down. It would be nice to have something else to fall back on, to at least get out there and sand. This would be the truck that would also be used to plow the Village.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 45: Motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Johnson to accept the recommended names proposed by New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, of Boat Launch Drive and Long Point Drive, with provisions they put up the road signs, so named, at all the intersections and roads, at their expense. Four ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 46: Motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Madill to advertise in the Watertown Daily Times for Abandoned Cemetery bids for mowing. The Supervisor, who in now the acting Historian, will coordinate dates and times to see the Cemeteries. Bids will be open on April 9th, at 6:15 p.m. at the Regularly Scheduled Town Board Meeting. Four ayes. Motion carried.

Julia Gosier indicated that historically, in this Town, the Town Historian is in charge of the Abandoned Cemeteries.

Review of Quotes for Doors

RESOLUTION 2008 – 47: Motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Johnson to accept the bid from Liberty Glass and Windows for one aluminum 42” door, furnished and installed in prepared opening, as so described in quote 1308 for \$1,664.35. Four ayes. Motion carried.

The purchase of the Clerks’ door was approved at the last meeting. Norm will call 84 Lumber to order it and will also call a carpenter for installation.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 48: Motion by Councilman Madill and seconded by Councilman Schreib authorizing Supervisor Aubertine to sign the applications to the Comptroller for the approval of Water District # 5. Four ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 49: motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Madill to declare a negative declaration of the Environmental Impact for District creation of Water District # 5. Four ayes. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2008 – 50: Motion by Councilman Schreib and seconded by Councilman Madill declaring the Town of Lyme Board act as Lead

*Agency on the construction portion of the project of Water District # 5.
Four ayes. Motion carried.*

Attorney Gebo will take care of the circulation of notifying the other agencies requiring such.

Privilege of the Floor

Jessie Linstruth, Case Road, Chaumont – Has a concern with things going on with the expansion or building in the Town. He got a letter in the mail the other day 10 or 11 million dollar project over at the school for improvements. Jessie attended Lyme Central and graduated from there. He realizes there are a lot of things that need to happen there to bring things up to par.

He is currently finishing up the dirt on the Chicken Hatchery that we gave up in the Town. He works for Marzano Excavation and he did all the dirt for the site.

As a concerned tax payer, the reason he came here tonight was not to get on the Board for anything but to request...Maybe if we grow in the Town, and he realizes it will cost money to grow. We can't kick everybody out and expect the taxpayers to pay everything. If we do we will have a lot of vacant land to cut hay off of because people will end up leaving. If you can't put shore wells in and we have to get rid of those then the coastal people will leave. He wants this Town to grow, that's why he moved back here. He's been in Oklahoma, North Carolina, all over the world. He came here because he loves it. He also wants to see some growth. He doesn't want to see it become a Watertown; he doesn't feel anybody wants this place to expand like that. But, we do need to take seriously, some of the things. He was in on the Board meeting last year when the people came who wanted to put up the twenty-eight houses out on the Chaumont Depauville Road. There are no twenty-eight houses out there. There are twenty-eight taxpayers that could have helped offset the cost of the School. I know some of the consideration was that the school wasn't big enough. Now they want to make it bigger, they could have helped pay for that. If we would begin to look down the road a little bit and expand our view, it's not just about what we need now. He's not even going to get into the windmill thing. He can't put them on his ground and he has been to a couple of those meetings and there are firm believers on both sides. His request to the Board is that they begin to consider more of these opportunities. He hears about the Dollar Store and doesn't know if that's going in or not. We have to take something into the town besides a bank or two. The banks take our money and make money off of us; they are not a moneymaker for us. The Chicken Hatchery, just to enlighten the Board a little bit, he has worked with the people very closely and they are spending millions of dollars. He knows there was a concern with their tractor-trailers. Probably all these concerns could be brought over to all the hay movers that load hay in the dark at any given time and on any given road in the Town of Lyme, all over the area. Nobody has ever thrown a flag over those tractor-trailer pulling out in the road, they've never had a problem. But yet we threw out people that would have raised jobs, brought tax money into the Town because a little bit of change had to take place. He wants to see the Town grow, that's why we elected

you guys to be up there. But, you have to help us by allowing some things in here. He realizes it's not all on the Boards shoulders, but it can't come out of all the taxpayers' pockets to offset the cost of the growth of this Town. There are only two ways it can get better; either let new stuff come in or we will be like Sackets and get the Historic Grants and grow that way. Whichever way, we have to choose a path and go down that path seriously. We can't keep dancing; we are getting angry taxpayers. He has a lot of friends and neighbors that are feeling the same way. The problem is that we're not going to suffer; the kids are going to suffer over at the school. We have already been through school we have our jobs, you guys are a lot older than I am, and you are getting close to retirement age. You guys probably live fairly well but those kids over there, without the improvements that they need are not going to start out very well are they, because of foolish decisions we make as older people. Maybe there are certain things we don't want because it inconveniences us. We are not going to be here forever. We have got to take care of those younger than us. His concern is that we begin to look at this new construction because he imagines there are going to be a lot more new opportunities. Don't think he is up there trying to get more work so he can have more dirt work. President Bush has given us 500 million dollars on the Base; he has all the dirt work he needs. He doesn't want to be paying the highest taxes in the State of New York, just to live in the Town of Lyme. The water is not that good. He can go to Clayton, Alex Bay, Henderson, and Sackets; if he wants to pay that premium he is going to live someplace where it's a give and take scenario. That's all he has to say. He's

A Preacher and he could go on all night.

Motion to adjourn by Councilman Madill at 9:37 p.m.

Minutes Respectfully submitted by,

*Kim Wallace
Town Clerk*