

**Town of Lyme  
2013 Budget Work Session  
October 17, 2012  
6:30 P.M.**

**Supervisor Aubertine called tonight's Budget Work Session to order at 6:30 p.m.**

**Marlene Norfolk – Commercial Property Assessor**

Marlene has been an Assessor for the City of Watertown for 36 years and 6 years for the Town of Wilna. She has done several revals over the years and has a great deal of experience with assessing experience of commercial properties. There are approximately 1500 commercial properties in the City of Watertown and approximately 500 commercial properties in the Town of Wilna. Marlene has recently assisted Alexandria Bay with their commercial assessments.

Marlene's rate of pay is \$30.00 per hour plus mileage at the State rate.

Marlene has started getting acquainted with the Town of Lyme and with Marsha's help and the Board's approval she can begin with the commercial reval process.

***RESOLUTION 2012 - 159: Motion by Councilman Villa and seconded by Councilman Bourquin approving the hiring of Marlene Norfolk at an hourly rate of \$30.00 to help the Town of Lyme begin with the 2013 reval process on the commercial properties located within this Township. Five ayes. Motion carried.***

**Lyme Community Foundation – Julie Bocciolett**

The Lyme Community Foundation was a dream 15 years ago, no one believed that it all happened the way it did. The Commuity Foundation is like an umbrella that has linked our entire community and it works in conjunction with all the other Town entities. It is home of the Chamber of Commerce and several other organizations meet there, with no charge to any of them.

The Lyme Light has been a conduit of information for the whole community. Currently it is costing \$500 per month to send the Lyme Light to all those on their mailing list. The Lyme Community Foundation continues to do more and more for the Community but funds become less and less each year. Julie asked the Town Board to please consider their budget request this year. If the Community Foundation could not be sustained it would be a detriment to the community.

### **Lyme Free Library – Warren Barkley**

The Library would be comfortable with a 2% increase in budgeted funds from the Town for 2013. The Library has applied for a State Grant for a much needed addition. The addition would be a 12' x 50' extension that would increase handicap accessibility, house a new bathroom and furnace. The total grant is \$130,000 with the Library contributing \$30,000 of their own money. The grant will be awarded to the Goutremout Brothers. The Library would like to ask for consideration with help on the \$30,000 part of the project.

**Councilman Villa** asked Warren if the Library would be interested in receiving “in kind” services from the Town’s Highway Department for help with the excavation work on the project. Highway Superintendent Weston stated that they would be willing to do what they could to help with the project. Warren thought it was a great idea.

The Town Board proceeded with the 2012 Tentative Budget and went through it line by line, methodically contemplating the requests that were submitted by departments and individuals involved with the Town.

***RESOLUTION 2012 - 160: Motion by Councilman Villa and seconded by Councilwoman Harris scheduling a Public Hearing for the 2013 Preliminary Budget November 7, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. to be held at the Municipal Offices 12175 NYS Route 12E, Chaumont, New York 13622. Five ayes. Motion carried.***

***RESOLUTION 2012 - 161: Motion by Councilwoman Harris and seconded by Councilman Bourquin adjourning tonight’s meeting at 11:00 p.m. and scheduling to reconvene on Monday October 22, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. Five ayes. Motion carried.***

The Minutes of tonight's Work Session are Respectfully Submitted by,

Kim Wallace  
Town of Lyme, Town Clerk