Town of Lyme Budget Work Session November 5, 2008 6:00 P.M.

The Meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m. with all Town Councilmen, Bookkeeper Cathy Satterly, from Sovie and Bowie and Superintendent Parker in attendance.

Those present at tonight's meeting worked arduously toward figures in the Budget that would help keep the 2009 tax rate down to a minimum increase. There was much deliberation throughout the evening, with the majority of the time spent on the Highway Budget. With the rising cost of salt, sand and fuel, the Highway Department is faced with a difficult situation in the upcoming year.

It was also determined at tonight's meeting that there would be no raise increases for any of the Town's elected officials for 2009. Due to the increased costs of day to day operations and the current economic situation, the Town Board felt that this would be the proper measure to take in their efforts to keep the Budget increases at a minimum.

The Councilmen, Ms. Satterly and Superintendent Parker worked together on a Preliminary Budget that could be presented at tomorrow night's Public Hearing.

The Work Session was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by

Kim Wallace Town Clerk