

**Town of Lyme  
November 6, 2013  
2014 Preliminary Budget Public Hearing  
6:30 P.M.**

Supervisor Aubertine called tonight's Public Hearing to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present at tonight's Meeting: Supervisor Aubertine, Councilwoman Harris, Councilmen Bourquin, Henderson and Villa, Town Accountant Cathy Satterley, Assessor's Roz Gotham and Marsha Barton, and Highway Superintendent Pat Weston.

Clerk Wallace read the Public Hearing Notice as it was posted in the Watertown Daily Times on October 31, as follows:

*Notice is hereby given that the Preliminary Budget of the Town of Lyme for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2014 has been completed and filed in the Office of the Town Clerk at 12175 NYS Route 12E, Chaumont, NY where it is available for inspection by any interested person during normal business hours Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.*

***FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Lyme will meet and hold a Public Hearing thereon at the Municipal Offices at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday November 6, 2013 and at such Hearing any person may be heard in favor of or against any item or items therein contained. Pursuant to Section 113 of the Town Law the proposed salaries of the following Town Officers hereby specified are as follows:***

<b><i>Supervisor</i></b>	<b><i>\$10,663.00</i></b>
<b><i>Highway Superintendent</i></b>	<b><i>\$53,045.00</i></b>
<b><i>Town Clerk</i></b>	<b><i>\$32,731.00</i></b>
<b><i>Town Councilmen 3 @</i></b>	<b><i>\$ 4,807.50</i></b>
<b><i>Deputy Supervisor</i></b>	<b><i>\$ 5807.50</i></b>
<b><i>Assessors 2 @</i></b>	<b><i>\$12,000.00</i></b>
<b><i>Assessor Chair</i></b>	<b><i>\$16,000.00</i></b>

***By Order of the Town Board of the Town of Lyme***

***RESOLUTION 2013 – 151: Motion by Supervisor Aubertine and seconded by Councilwoman Harris closing the Public Hearing at 6:30 p.m. Five ayes. Motion carried.***

***RESOLUTION 2013 – 152: Motion by Supervisor Aubertine and seconded by Councilwoman Harris moving the Town Board into a Budget Work Session. Five ayes. Motion carried.***

The Comptroller had recommended that the Library Account and the Consolidated Health Account be moved to a L and SM Account, so those changes were addressed and the changes will appear in the 2014 Budget.

The Town Board Members revisited the Budget and moved methodically through each line item.

The Town Board unanimously agreed to increase the Garden Club line by \$500.00, making it \$3,500.00 for the upcoming year.

Councilman Villa thanked Highway Superintendent Weston for his involvement in the Garden Club. The Village and Hamlet of Three Mile Bay always look very nice.

The Ball Field Contractual will be \$14,000.00. From May 1<sup>st</sup> through August 31<sup>th</sup> the ball fields and abandoned cemeteries will be mowed twice a week; September 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup> mowing of the ball fields and abandoned cemeteries will be done once a week. There will be \$6,000.00 in the abandoned cemetery account.

The amount contributed to Caring for Cats will come out of Control of other Animals.

The following line items will pertain to Cemeteries:

A8810.43	Abandoned Cemeteries	\$5000.00
A8810.12	Three Mile Bay Personnel	\$2400.00
A8810.13	Leave for Now – Will Be Deleted	
A8810.42	Three Mile Bay Cemetery Contractual	\$6000.00

<b>A8810.4</b>	<b>Abandoned Cemetery Mowing</b>	<b>\$6000.00</b>
<b>A8810.41</b>	<b>Contractual</b>	<b>\$1000.00</b>
<b>A8810.11</b>	<b>Fox Creek Personnel – Will Be Deleted</b>	

The Town Board worked very hard to keep the tax rate increase at a minimum. The Town residents will see an increase of .51 cents per thousand for 2014.

The tax rate for 2014 will be .86 cents per thousand. The Town will be collecting \$34,203.00 less than what was collected in 2013.

*At 8:00 p.m. a Motion was offered by Councilwoman Harris and seconded by Councilman Villa to adjourn tonight's meeting. Five ayes. Motion carried.*

*The Minutes of Tonight's Meeting and Public Hearing are Respectfully submitted by,*

*Kim Wallace  
Town Clerk*