

**November 9, 2022
Town of Lyme
Public Hearing 6:15 P.M.
Regular Monthly Meeting 6:30 P.M.**

Public Hearing for 2023 Budget:

Supervisor Countryman called the Public Hearing for 2023 Budget to order at 6:15 p.m. There was no public present and no comments.

Resolution 2022-170: Councilmember Villa made the motion to close the public hearing at 6:28 p.m.; Councilmember Gosier seconded the motion; all were in favor; motion carried.

Call to Order:

Supervisor Countryman called the regular monthly meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., opening the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present included Supervisor Countryman, Deputy Supervisor Bourquin, Councilmember Gosier, Councilmember Farrell, Councilmember Villa, Town Clerk Ariana Henderson and McKenzie Lehman.

Privilege of the Floor

Legislator William Johnson: Legislator Johnson was not present due to the County meeting being held on the same night.

Supervisor's Report

Resolution 2022-171: Councilmember Gosier made the motion to approve the October Supervisor's Monthly Financial report; Councilmember Farrell seconded the motion; all were in favor; motion carried.

Highway Superintendent's Report

There was no report. Supervisor Countryman stated that there was a complaint about trucks traveling on Academy Street in Three Mile Bay. Highway Superintendent Pat Weston fixed the road signs stating "no trucks" so they were more visible from the road.

Clerk's Report

Monthly Receipts were as follow: Total Local Shares Remitted: \$4,566.55; Total State County & Local Revenues: \$4,594.55 Total Non – Local Revenues: \$28.00

Audit of the Bills (Abstracts #21 & #22)

Resolution 2022-172: Councilmember Gosier made the motion to approve Abstract #21 in the amount of \$1,207.06; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

Resolution 2022-173: Councilmember Gosier made the motion to approve Abstract #22 in the amount of \$131,260.38; seconded by Councilmember Villa; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

Approval of the Minutes

Resolution 2022-174: Councilmember Gosier made a motion to approve the minutes from September 27, 2022, October 6, 2022 and October 12, 2022; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

Committee Reports

Assessor's Report:

There was no report. Supervisor Countryman stated they would go into executive session regarding the email received by the board from an assessor.

Municipal Water Board Report:

There was no questions on the submitted minutes.

Planning Board:

There was no questions on the submitted minutes.

Youth Commission:

Supervisor Countryman informed the Youth Commission that the money in the budget for an employee to line fields and help the Youth Commission was not spent in 2022. The Youth Commission would like their members to receive a small stipend instead of hiring a private individual. They are ready to start basketball at the school.

Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA):

There was no report.

ZEO/CEO Report:

There was no report.

TMB Cemetery:

Councilmember Gosier reported that Harry Wilson is working on the monument repairs. She checked three of the repairs today and they are looking great. We haven't received a bill yet.

Cape Vincent Ambulance:

Supervisor Countryman stated that he was unable to attend this month's meeting but will make it to the next.

Old Business:

Appoint Water Board Member:

Supervisor Countryman stated the Water Board recommended Chris Rowland as a new water board member.

Resolution 2022-175: Councilmember Gosier made a motion to appoint Christopher Rowland to as a Water Board Member; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

Advertise Point Salubrious Water District:

Resolution 2022-176: Councilmember Villa made a motion to advertise for the Point Salubrious Water District #6 Public Hearing December 6, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Town of Lyme Municipal Office; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

New Business:

2023 Budget:

Resolution 2022-177: Councilmember Farrell made a motion approve the 2023 Budget; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Countryman, Bourquin, and Gosier AYE; Villa NAY due to one area of the budget he finds inappropriate; Motion carried.

Veterans Memorial Park utilities to feed neighbors:

Reggie Schweitzer is looking to connect to the water and sewer lines at the park for the potential apartments he is building. McKenzie Lehman said that he will be sending a letter to the Town stating what he would like to do. BCA will need more information about flows and what he is thinking.

McKenzie updated the Board on the progress of the park. They poured the floor for the restroom, the bulk head for the dock and will continue to work on the restrooms weather permitting. The lamp posts for lighting should be in by December.

Prepayments for Veterans Memorial Park:

Resolution 2022-178: Councilmember Villa made a motion to submit the payment for Powis Contracting for \$98,921.10 to DASNY contingent on receiving the necessary paperwork; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

Resolution 2022-179: Councilmember Villa made a motion to submit the payment for Northern Pioneer Contractors, Inc. for \$11,923.35 to DASNY; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

Municipal Building:

Supervisor Countryman stated that the Town has been working/discussing the new buildings. If the Town decided to do a design build it would be possible according to Colleen at the USDA. She said we can change the building design several times as long as it doesn't exceed the amount approved to borrow. Rob Campany from Fourth Coast has worked with design builds in the past. There is some concern about the amount the building is currently will cost to build. They discussed the basement being eliminated to save on cost. There was a discussion on offsite storage. Councilmember Gosier said that Clerk Henderson should have input on what happens for file storage. Deputy Supervisor Bourquin stated that the Highway Garage is ready for bid. He agrees there needs to be discussion on the Municipal Building. Rob is available to meet

tomorrow or Friday. The Board agreed to meeting Fourth Coast tomorrow November 10th at 3:00 p.m.

Privilege of the Floor

There was no privilege of the floor.

Online Privilege of the Floor

There was no online privilege of the floor.

Executive Session

Resolution 2022-180: Councilmember Villa made the motion to enter Executive Session at 7:04 p.m.; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

Return to Open Meeting

Resolution 2022-181: Councilmember Villa made the motion to enter Open Meeting at 8:09p.m.; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried.

Adjournment

Resolution 2022-182: Councilmember Villa a made the motion to adjourn; seconded by Councilmember Farrell; all were in favor and the motion was carried; meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ariana Henderson

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Town Clerk