



BOARD OF FINANCE

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Special Meeting

The Lyme Board of Finance held a special meeting in conjunction with the Old Lyme Board of Finance on Tuesday January 21, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. at the Old Lyme Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, CT 06371.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Hagan, Chair, Kathryn Wayland, Peter Evankow, Judith Duran, Bob House (alternate present seated for Jarrod Leonardo), Bruce Anderson (present but not seated, and Jennifer Thomas, Secretary

ABSENT MEMBERS: David Brown, Jarrod Leonardo, Susan Tyler (alternate)

Board of Selectmen present: John Kiker

OLD LYME BOF MEMBERS: Andrew Russell, Chair, Bennet Bernblum, H.P. Garvin, III, J. David Kelsey, Janet G. Sturges, Anna Reiter, Adam S. Burrows (alternate), Judith Read (alternate), Matthew Olson (alternate), Michele Hayes, clerk

Also present: Tim Griswold OL First Selectman, Nicole Stajduhar OL Finance Director

The special meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. Russell stated that this meeting in an informational meeting early in the budgeting process, and no votes or decisions will be made at this meeting.

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**Discussion of the operating budget for the Lymes' Senior Center.**

Present: Stephanie Gould, Lymes' Senior Center Director

Stajduhar and Gould went over the preliminary operating budget with the group. Lyme's estimated portion of the overall Senior Center operating budget is 24%. Preliminary numbers show an increase of \$1,905.00 from the previous year's budget.

The discussion included cleaning costs and a slight increase in hours for the part time employee.

**Discussion of the operating budget for the Rogers Lake Authority (RLA).**

Present: Dennis Overfield, co-chair and Mark Hastings, member

The overall preliminary operating budget is down \$10,500.00 from last year. Lyme's portion of the Roger's Lake Authority budget is 50%. The RLA does not anticipate treating the lake for weeds for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, but instead would like to complete whole lake weed survey on the effectiveness of the treatment plan and whether other areas of the lake should be treated. The best time to complete the survey would be early June.

**Discussion of the operating budget for Town Woods Park.**

The preliminary operating budget for Town Woods Park is down \$1,800.00 from the 2019-2020 budget. It is estimated that Lyme will cover 19% of the Town Woods Park operating budget for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

**Discussion of the capital budget for Town Woods Park.**

Stajduhar reviewed the preliminary capital and nonrecurring budget. Lyme's share of the capital budget is set at 25%. The preliminary budget shows a request for \$24,000.00 across several line items.

**Discussion of the capital budget for Rogers Lake Authority.**

Lyme's portion of the Rogers Lake Authority budget is 50%.

Rogers Lake Authority shows a capital budget request of \$25,000.00 for water survey, mussel survey, and herb application.

Overfield stated that figure has come down to \$17,000.00 after receiving a firm quote.

The boards discussed that this line item can be removed from capital because the budgeted \$35,000.00 from the 2019-2020 fiscal year for weed treatment was not used, and so the bottom line including the \$17,000.00 weed survey will still be on budget.

**Discussion of the capital budget for the Senior Center.**

Lyme's portion of the Senior Center capital budget is 25%.

Russell asked Jeri Baker, chair of the Board of Directors of the Lymes' Senior Center and current chair of the Lymes' Senior Center Building Committee to address the boards. Baker provided a statement to the members and read the statement into the record. The building committee is requesting funding in the amount of \$50,000.00 for a feasibility study to identify options and costs for expansion of the senior center. The committee would like to complete the study within 18 months and present to the Boards of Finance by mid-2021.

The board noted that some of the proposed capital improvements totaling \$66,000.00 by the senior center might not make sense to complete if the building will be expanded in the next few years.

**Adjournment**

The Lyme portion of the joint Board of Finance meeting was adjourned by Hagan at 9:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Thomas, Secretary