Selectpeople's Minutes
Monday, November 16, 2026
4:00 PM LYME TOWN HALL

Present: Christy Zelek, John Kiker, Tom St. Louis and five members of the public

C. Zelek called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

T. St. Louis made a motion to accept the minutes from the November 2nd meeting. J. Kiker seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Building Permit Rate Increase Proposal: Josh Adams, Building Official shared that the rates in Lyme haven't been changed since 2001. The fee structure would bring Lyme rates in line with surrounding towns.

Appointments: Richard Smith was appointed as Acting Fire Marshal. Thomas Reynolds and Roger Dill were reappointed to Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commission.

W. Koch spoke about his written request to the Board of Selectpeople to reappoint Jeanne Rutigliano, who resigned in January 2025, to the Zoning Board of Appeals for one meeting and vote. The Board of Selectpeople agreed it would be improper to appoint anyone for one meeting and vote.

Tax Refunds: There was one refund in the amount of $261.13.

Resolution to Accept Land Grant: The Town of Lyme resolved to enter into and deliver to the State of CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, any and all documents which it deems necessary and appropriate to accept a grant for $97,026 for the Hartman Park Forest Resilience Project.

Resolution for Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan: The resolution to accept the Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan was executed.

Discussion of Old Lyme Recreation: A. Sheiness, Finance Chair, explained the potential formula for determining Lyme's fair share of costs for Lyme youth participation in programs offered in Old Lyme such as basketball, soccer, summer day camp, and after care. We are asking for beach pass stickers to Haines Park.

Discussion of Senior Center Plaque: Newfield Construction has asked to dedicate the library at the senior center to Danielle Couture, who managed the construction of the new building, and died unexpectedly. The board agreed to the donation of a plaque, with an explanation of her contributions to the project.

Other Business: Special Town Meeting and Board of Education election will be tomorrow at Lyme School.

J. Kiker made a motion to adjourn. T. St. Louis seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:33 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Zelek, First Selectwoman
For the Board of Selectpeople