

December 8, 2021
Town of Lyme
Moratorium Extension Public Hearing 6:20 P.M.
Regular Monthly Meeting 6:30 P.M.

Moratorium Extension Public Hearing:

Supervisor Aubertine called the Moratorium Extension Public Hearing to order at 6:20 p.m. Supervisor Aubertine read the public hearing notice.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Town of Lyme will be holding a Public Hearing on Wednesday December 8, 2021 at 6:20 p.m. at the Municipal Town Office 12175 NYS RT 12E, Chaumont, NY to consider the proposed amendments to our Zoning Law to extend the moratorium on applications and/or construction of Recreational Vehicle Developments, Campgrounds and Marinas in the Town of Lyme. The regular monthly meeting and any other business that may come before the Board will follow. A full text of the above referenced laws are on file with the Town Clerk and may be inspected during normal business hours. All persons wishing to be heard on the issue should be present at the time and place set forth or have written comments submitted to the Town Board or Clerk prior to that date and time. Any person requiring special accommodations to participate in such Public Hearing should notify the Town Clerk at 315-649-2788 at least 3 business days prior to the hearing.

Dated: November 22, 2021

BY ORDER OF THE TOWN BOARD
OF THE TOWN OF LYME

Ariana Henderson, Town Clerk

Supervisor Aubertine read the intent and purpose of the law:

The Town Board of the Town of Lyme has determined that the current Laws of the Town of Lyme relative to the regulation of Recreational Vehicle Developments, Campgrounds and Marinas within the Town may be inadequate to address the proper development of such land use activities and the impact thereof on the surrounding properties and the general health and welfare of the community. In order to permit the Town sufficient time to conduct a review of the current laws and enact revisions if deemed appropriate, it is the finding of the Town Board that it is necessary to extend the moratorium of six (6) months on such land use activities pending the adoption of said of revisions to the current laws. He then read the ground rules for the hearing and opened the floor for public comments. There was no public comments.

Resolution 2021-187: Councilmember Gosier made the motion to close the Moratorium Extension Public Hearing; Councilmember Villa seconded the motion; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Call to Order:

Supervisor Aubertine called the regular monthly meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. opening the meeting with a prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present included Supervisor Aubertine, Deputy Supervisor Bourquin, Councilmember Gosier, Councilmember Countryman, Councilmember Villa, Town Clerk Ariana Henderson, Highway Superintendent Patrick Weston, Legislator William Johnson, Jim Millington, David Bourquin, and Tina Fahringer.

Deputy Supervisor Bourquin presented Supervisor Aubertine with a plaque for his service of 14 years and thanked him for the time and dedication he has given the Town of Lyme. He also mentioned several accomplishments Supervisor Aubertine completed.

Privilege of the Floor

Legislator William Johnson: Mr. Johnson reported the County Legislators had their meeting last night with nothing exciting to report. He is on the redistricting committee for the County. The population census from 2010 to 2020 went up 210 people in the Town of Lyme. The total population of the County went up 422 people. Jefferson County is also now in a State of Emergency due to the rise of covid cases.

Supervisor's Report

Resolution 2021-188: Councilmember Gosier made the motion to approve the budget transfers recommended by the Town accountant; Councilmember Villa seconded the motion; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Resolution 2021-189: Councilmember Gosier made the motion to approve the November Supervisor's Monthly Financial report; Councilmember Countryman seconded the motion; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Highway Superintendent's Report

Portable Radio Battery Update: Pat Weston researched a portable battery radio charger and didn't have luck finding one. He will continue to swap out radios when needed. There was another water main break on Old Town Springs Road District #5. They lost about 240,000 gallons of water. The highway department got it fixed in about 3 hours. They aren't sure what is causing the breaks. They contacted Gregor at Bernier and Carr to let him know they have had about four in four months.

Clerk's Report

Monthly Receipts were as follow: Total Local Shares Remitted: \$4,115.04; Total State County & Local Revenues: \$4,170.54 Total Non – Local Revenues: \$55.50

These figures include the Village's payment for photo copies for the year.

Audit of the Bills

Resolution 2021-190: Councilmember Villa made the motion to approve Abstract #23 in the amount of \$46,496.30; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Resolution 2021-191: Councilmember Villa made the motion to approve Abstract #24 in the amount of \$98,353.34; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes

Resolution 2021-192: Councilmember Villa made the motion to approve the November regular meeting minutes; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Resolution 2021-193: Councilmember Countryman made the motion to approve the November 4, 2021 budget hearing minutes; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Resolution 2021-194: Councilmember Countryman made the motion to approve the October 7, 2021 budget work session minutes; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Assessor's Report:

There was no report.

Municipal Water Board Report:

There was no report.

Planning Board:

There was no question on the minutes.

Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA):

There was no ZBA report.

Youth Commission:

Youth Commission was approved for the use of the Lyme Central School gym and two parents are allowed into the gym for each player of the home team. Councilmember Countryman reported that there were a few glitches with the new camera system. Supervisor Aubertine stated that he couldn't find the schedule of games online to watch the game. Councilmember Countryman was surprised the school website didn't have the game schedule and would look into this.

ZEO/CEO Report:

There was no questions on the ZEO/CEO report.

TMB Cemetery:

There was no report.

TMB Ambulance Committee:

Councilmember Countryman said he received a phone call from David McIntyre who was not happy with the Watertown Daily Times article on the Town of Cape Vincent budget. The article read that the Town of Lyme was contributing \$250,000.00 but the Town of Cape Vincent was only contributing \$150,000.00 to the Ambulance. Alex Gault will be doing a re-print of the article. Councilmember Countryman said that Dave McIntyre is having some difficulties with members in Cape Vincent but reassured Countryman that the Town of Lyme would receive their CON. Jeff Call stated that he has gotten Dave Bourquin's signature but is still in need of Charlie Mount's. Cape Vincent has not signed the contract because of some of the wording. Councilmember Countryman said that the Town would receive any extra funds that the ambulance didn't spend which is unlikely. We paid \$4,000.00 to the Three Mile Bay ambulance for Guilfoyle services. The Town will still receive a bill from October. The TMB ambulance ended the services with Guilfoyle and the calls will now be fulfilled by the Town of Cape and Guilfoyle.

New Business:

BAR Member:

Resolution 2021-195: Deputy Supervisor Bourquin made the motion to advertise for two board of assessment review members; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Set Year End Meeting Date/Advertise:

Resolution 2021-196: Councilmember Villa made the motion to advertise for the Year End Meeting to be held December 28, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.; seconded by Councilmember Countryman; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Organizational Meeting:

Resolution 2021-197: Councilmember Villa made the motion to advertise for the Organizational Meeting to be held on January 4, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.; seconded by Councilmember Countryman; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Municipal Solutions:

Fourth Coast recommended the Town hire Municipal Solutions as its financial advisor for the New Town Municipal Building and Highway Garage. The proposal was sent to the board. The fee is \$140.00 per hour plus expenses.

Resolution 2021-198: Councilmember Gosier made the motion to hire Municipal Solutions as our financial advisor for the process' of the New Municipal Offices and Highway Garage building; seconded by Councilmember Villa; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Municipal Solutions:

Fourth Coast recommended the Town hire Municipal Solutions as its financial advisor for the New Town Municipal Building and Highway Garage.

Resolution 2021-199: Councilmember Villa made the motion to have the Town Attorney draft a moratorium law to review our zoning law regarding solar to protect the citizens of this town; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Assessor Request:

Marsha Barton sent an email request that stated she would like to pay the new assessor that is elected to train with Angela and herself before the New Year. The rate of pay would be \$15.00 an hour for the month of December.

Resolution 2021-200: Deputy Supervisor Bourquin made the motion to hire Susan Locy as our new assessor and pay her \$15.00 an hour for training in December 2021; seconded by Councilmember Villa; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Bond Resolutions:

Supervisor Aubertine read the full description for both Bond resolutions. (See attached)

Resolution 2021-201: Councilmember Villa made the motion A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SERIAL BONDS OR A STATUTORY INSTALLMENT BOND OF THE TOWN OF LYME IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,066,300, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH ARE TO BE USED FOR SITE PREPARATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW HIGHWAY GARAGE FOR THE TOWN OF LYME.; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Aubertine, Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Motion carried.

Resolution 2021-202: Councilmember Villa made the motion A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SERIAL BONDS OR A STATUTORY INSTALLMENT BOND OF THE TOWN OF LYME IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,716,050, THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH ARE TO BE USED FOR SITE PREPARATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW MUNICIPAL BUILDING FOR THE TOWN OF LYME.; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Aubertine, Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Motion carried.

Defibrillator:

Supervisor Aubertine received information on defibrillators and passed on the information to the Town Board. Councilmember Villa stated that he thinks it is very important to have. He believes we should have one at the Municipal Building and the Highway garage.

Resolution 2021-203: Councilmember Villa made the motion to outfit a defibrillator for the Town of Lyme Highway Garage and Municipal Offices for the best price on the State bid; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

NYS Snow and Ice Contract:

Supervisor Aubertine read the NYS Snow and Ice Contract.

Resolution 2021-204: Councilmember Villa made the motion to accept the NYSDOT Municipal Snow and Ice agreement adjustment/calculation worksheet for the 2021/22 Snow and Ice Season; seconded by Councilmember Countryman; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Old Business:

Core and Main Quote:

Supervisor Aubertine stated that they didn't receive much more information regarding the water program upgrade. Core and Main suggested doing the upgrade for one year. Deputy Supervisor Bourquin said that we have had nothing but problems since we bought the new reader. Councilmember Countryman asked what other Towns use for their systems. Deputy Supervisor Bourquin said many other Towns use the same system. Councilmember Villa said it is an ongoing trend to require updates each year. It is a way for the companies to make more money.

Resolution 2021-205: Councilmember Villa made the motion to approve the reader upgrade through Core and Main for the water department; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Aubertine, Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Motion carried.

Code Review Proposal:

There was a question at the November Meeting on what the fee would be for additional meetings with Barton and Loguidice on reviewing the zoning law. Barton and Loguidice stated that they would bill us hourly for any additional meetings.

Resolution 2021-206: Councilmember Villa made the motion to hire Barton and Loguidice to review and edit the Town of Lyme Zoning Law; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Aubertine, Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Motion carried.

B & C Water Tower Painting:

Supervisor Aubertine had questioned Gregor from Bernier and Carr regarding the cover letter for the Water Tower Painting which read it would cost \$17,000.00 per hour. Gregor made the

appropriate changes to the cover letter stating the total cost of the specific service was \$17,000.00.

Resolution 2021-207: Councilmember Villa made the motion to approve the Professional Engineering Agreement with BCA Architect and Engineer for the Three Mile Bay Water Tower Painting; seconded by Councilmember Countryman; Aubertine, Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Motion carried.

Moratorium Extension:

The Town Board will review the Moratorium Extension Law and go over the SEQR form at the January Meeting after we receive the recommendations of the County Planning Department.

Teamsters Contract:

Supervisor Aubertine stated that there was only a few words changed in the Teamsters contract and we need a formal approval from the board.

Resolution 2021-208: Deputy Supervisor Bourquin made the motion to approve the Teamsters Contract as written; seconded by Councilmember Villa; Aubertine, Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Motion carried.

Online Privilege of the Floor

There was no online privilege of the floor.

Privilege of the Floor

Supervisor Aubertine thanked the employees and residents of the Town for electing him and supporting him as supervisor for 14 years.

Executive Session

There was no executive session.

Adjournment

Resolution 2021-209: Councilmember Villa made the motion to adjourn at 7:41 p.m.; seconded by Councilmember Gosier; Bourquin, Countryman, Villa and Gosier AYE; Aubertine ABSTAINED; Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ariana Henderson

Ariana Henderson
Town Clerk