

**October 29, 2025
Town of Lyme
Budget Meeting**

A budget work session of the Town Board of the Lyme, County of Jefferson and the State of New York was held at 12175 NYS Route 12 E at 3:00 P.M., on the 29th day of October 2025.

Supervisor Millington called the Budget Work Session to order at 3:20 P.M.

Those present included Supervisor Millington, Deputy Supervisor Bourquin, Councilmember Farrell, Councilmember Gosier, Councilmember Jerome, Town Clerk Ariana Henderson, Clerk to the Supervisor Lynda Jackson and Jennifer Kingsley, Janelle (Town Accountant).

Budget Discussion:

Changes were made under General Fund A: Parks Personal Services (PS) Mowing increased to \$12,500 and Cemetery PS Mowing increased to \$20,000. These adjustments will cover the cost of the new Highway Department employee responsible for mowing. The employee's salary will be split equally between the A and DA funds.

Julie noted that the Village is not paying sufficient rent. She expressed that it is unfair for taxpayers outside the Village to subsidize Village operations. Councilmember Farrell agreed.

A discussion followed regarding the five-year average of sales tax revenue, which is approximately \$1.4 million. Janelle reminded everyone that sales tax is behavior-based and advised a conservative approach to estimating future revenues.

Further discussion was held regarding the equipment reserve account.

The board also discussed the Supervisor's salary and the Clerk to the Supervisor's salary. The Supervisor's salary will increase to \$17,523, representing an 8% raise.

Clerk Henderson shared the Lyme Lakers Athletic Alliance's request regarding the "Cleats for Feet" program. The LLAA is seeking permission to place a shed or storage container at the Lyme 12E fields. The Board expressed support for both the program and the proposed shed.

Resolution 2025-236: Councilmember Gosier moved to approve the purchase of a shipping container to be used as a shed for the "Cleats for Feet" program and to allow its placement on Town property at the 12E soccer fields; Councilmember Farrell seconded the motion; all in favor; motion carried.

Adjournment

Resolution 2025-237: Councilmember Gosier made the motion to adjourn at 4:50 p.m.; Supervisor Millington seconded the motion; all were in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Town Clerk