Old Lyme Board of Selectmen
Regular Meeting Monday, May 4, 2009

The Board of Selectmen held a regular meeting at 7:30 P.M. on Monday, May 4, 2009 in the Meeting Hall at the Old Lyme Memorial Town Hall. First Selectman Timothy Griswold, Selectman Skip Sibley and Selectwoman Bonnie Reemsnyder were present.

1. Approval of Minutes: 20 April 2009 (Regular)

The minutes of the regular meeting on April 20 were reviewed.
Selectwoman Reemsnyder had a correction to item 5, b. Public Works Union Contract: the back wages were for FY2007 and FY2008. Selectman Sibley moved to accept the minutes as corrected and Selectwoman Reemsnyder seconded the motion. SO VOTED.

2. Communications:

a. Rep. Giuliano – Congratulations on Historic Resources Inventory Grant

Representative Marilyn Giuliano congratulated the Town of Old on receiving a Historic Resources Inventory Grant. First Selectman Griswold read a resolution authorizing him to sign a grant application to update the Historic District Handbook.

Resolved: That the First Selectman is authorized and directed to sign an application on forms prescribed by the Connecticut Commission on Culture and Tourism for financial assistance in accordance with the provisions of C.G.S. Sec. 10-392 and C.G.S. Sec. 10-411 of the Connecticut General Assembly, in an amount not to exceed $3,500, and upon approval said request to enter into and execute a Grant Contract and Preservation Restriction with the state for such financial assistance to this municipality or non-profit organization for updating the Historic District Handbook.

Selectwoman Reemsnyder made a motion, seconded by Selectman Sibley, to adopt the resolution. SO VOTED.

3. Appointments: None

4. Old Business:

a. Town Budget Meeting – Monday 18 May @ 7:30 PM Middle School Auditorium

There will be a Town Budget Meeting on Monday, May 18, at 7:30 PM in the Middle School Auditorium. A vote will be held to approve the town budget, including the school budget.

b. Regional School District 18 Budget Referendum – 5 May @ Cross Lane Firehouse

The School Budget Referendum will be held on May 5 at the Cross Lane Firehouse. Polls will be open from 6 AM to 8 PM. People are encouraged to vote on the budget.

c. Bus Barn – Inland Wetlands Approval

The Bus Barn project needs three separate approvals. First, the Planning Commission has confirmed the facility is in accordance with the Town's Plan of Conservation and Development. Second, the Inland Wetlands Commission has just approved the plan, with a condition. The condition is that a fuel spill prevention policy be created and added to the lease. Third, the Zoning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on the plan on June 6, 2009. If the project is approved by Zoning, there will be a town meeting in July or August to request approval of the funds to construct the facility.

d. Church Corner Project – Bid Results

The bids were opened on May 1 and most were substantially below our engineer's estimate of about $498,000. The bids ranged from about $329,000 to $534,000, with 5 bids clustered from $329,000 to $398,000. The engineer will evaluate the bids and recommend the best one. American Industries was the low bidder, second was Sullivan Paving from Essex and third was Machnik Bros. of Old Lyme. Colossale Construction was the high bidder. Construction will not start until mid-July. The drainage work will be done separately in May/June.

e. Community Resources Roundtable – Update

There was a meeting two weeks ago of the "front line" people and the Thames Valley Council for Community Action (TVCCA) organization. TVCCA discussed the large range of social service programs they offer. A list is being created that will detail services provided by local social service organizations.

e. Public Works Garage Committee – Update

The Committee has awarded three bids: garage door work, the emergency generator and the boiler replacement and related work. Bid solicitations for roof and siding work were sent out and are due back on May 21.