

**LYNDEBOROUGH BOARD OF SELECTMEN
MEETING MINUTES
May 18, 2011**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Selectman Boette called this meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18, 2011 in the large meeting room in Citizens' Hall.

Those persons present were as follows:

Members

Present: Arnie Byam, Donnie Sawin & Kevin Boette

Staff

Present: Jim Bingham (Town Administrator), RA Perry

Public

Present:

Media

Present:

Recorder: Kate Thorndike

I. Agenda Items

II. Agenda Items

6:30 – Appointment – Lorraine Carson, Signatures for boundary agreement

6:35 – Approval/Correction of Minutes of 5/11/2011 as needed.

6:40- Review and signing warrants and correspondence, etc.

7:00 - **Citizens' Open Forum**

7:30 – Historic District Commission – adjourn for joint meeting with the HDC at Center Hall to review building repair and refurbishment needs, & discuss funding strategies for refurbishing Center Hall.

III. Adjournment 9:30

Appointment – Lorraine Carson, Signatures for boundary agreement

Lorraine Carson met with the Board and presented a history of the boundary dispute and two copies of the approved boundary agreement between Milford and Lyndeborough. The Board signed the documents.

Selectman Byam moved to approve the May 11, 2011 minutes as presented.
Selectman Boette seconded the motion, so moved.

VOTE: Selectmen Byam, Sawin and Boette voted in favor, and
Selectman Byam declared the motion to have carried
unanimously (3–0).

There was a brief discussion on the importance of getting all of the Board of Selectmen documents signed each week. **TA Bingham** will be double checking the documents prior to the end of each meeting.

Selectman Boette asked about the status of the IT work and expressed concern that the Town Clerk/Tax Collector was still having technical problems and it was impacting the town residents. Her problems began when the IT work was done. There are also other outstanding problems that need to get addressed. **TA Bingham** contacted TDS and they could not see a problem on their end. Main Stay Technologies will be back this Friday to fix any outstanding problems and get everyone up to speed.

Paving discussion: Road Agent Perry: Less money coming in and higher prices equals less paving done. **Road Agent Perry:** The only reason I didn't do the paving this year was because of the economy.

There was discussion re: specific versus general paving objectives as well as other issues such as the risk of leaving roads undone that continue to deteriorate.

Selectman Byam: We've always been project based when it comes to our paving plans and it helps for people to understand. **RA Perry:** I could use a couple of new line items for additional services/products. **Selectman Byam:** Let's sit down with Burton Reynolds and Kent and try to establish exactly where we stand. We may want to tweak the plan and review what needs to be done. **Selectman Boette:** Remember, it is just a guideline; you can alter it if necessary.

Selectman Boette: Let's invite the Lyndeborough school board members in to see where their thoughts are on the school budget. If that budget is going down, an impact from a paving warrant article on the town warrant won't have as big of an impact.

Road Agent Perry: By the way, if that old town hall is allowed to deteriorate to the point where voting has to move to Citizens' Hall, the state will no longer maintain the portion of Center Road leading to the Hall.

TA Bingham gave the Board the cash balance. All of the department heads have been informed to be careful with spending until tax bills have been mailed out.

Selectman Sawin: ACTION...I will check on the new PD vehicle's target date to get an idea of when that expense will hit.

TA Bingham: The auditors had their final day today. It went very smoothly. Any discrepancies are so minimal that they're immaterial. Everyone who was asked to contribute materials did so in a timely manner and I am very appreciative of Kay in particular who handled a lot of the auditor's questions. They promised to get their audit report out to the town much sooner than last year. We are always looking for ways to improve efficiencies and they will be offering some day to day suggestions for the office as well. **Selectman Boette:** Wilton recycling discrepancies? **TA Bingham:** No, that would be on the Wilton side. I talked with Peg and they still hold to their numbers. I've spoken with Burton Reynolds and he's going to look at his numbers from the meeting as well.

The Safe routes to school meeting is tomorrow at 3:30 and then the ConCom Public Hearing is at 7:00 for input on the possible land purchase.

A discussion on the potential ConCom purchase of the land belonging to the Society for the Protection of NH Forests followed.

TA Bingham updated the Board with some information in preparation for the HDC meeting.

Citizens' Open Forum

Historic District Commission/BOS Joint Meeting at Center Hall:

The Board of Selectmen adjourned for a meeting with the HDC at Center Hall to review building repair and refurbishment needs and to discuss funding strategies for refurbishing Center Hall.

III. ADJOURNMENT

All scheduled items having been addressed, Selectman Byam moved to adjourn; Selectman Sawin seconded the motion.

VOTE: Chairman Byam called for a verbal vote on the motion. All members voted in favor.

Chairman Byam then declared the meeting to be adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Date: May 18, 2011
Kate Thorndike, Recorder

Arnold A. Byam, III,
Chairman

Donald R. Sawin

Kevin J. Boette

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN ON 5-25-11