

MINUTES OF
JANUARY 23, 2023
TOWN OF OLD LYME
ANNUAL TOWN BUSINESS MEETING

Approximately forty-five (45) townspeople attended the Town of Old Lyme Annual Town Business Meeting on Monday, January 23, 2023, at 7:30 p.m. in the Meeting Hall of the Memorial Town Hall, 52 Lyme Street, Old Lyme, Connecticut.

First Selectman, Timothy C. Griswold, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., and he called for nominations for a moderator for the meeting.

A motion was made by Martha Shoemaker and seconded by Matt Ward, to nominate Attorney Vicki Lanier to serve as moderator. There being no other nominations for the moderator, First Selectman Griswold called for a vote on the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Attorney Lanier asked Vicki Urbowicz, Town clerk, to read the call of the meeting.

Following the reading of the call of the meeting, Attorney Lanier asked David Kelsey to present the Annual Town Report.

1. To accept the Annual Town Report for the fiscal year July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022, as submitted by the Board of Finance.

David Kelsey, Chair of the Board of Finance, presented the Annual Town Report, giving credit to Michele Dickey for her outstanding work as editor of thirty Town Reports. David also thanked Vicki Urbowicz (Town Clerk), Michele Hayes (Selectman's office), Lauren Dickey, Brian Girasol, and Brian Cole for their help on the report as well.

David announced that Michele Dickey is retiring after 30 years of preparing the Annual Town Reports. Michele's reports covered the period from fiscal year 1993 to fiscal year 2022. David acknowledged the tremendous amount of work Michele has put into each Annual Town Report over the years and thanked her for service.

Andy Russell made a motion to accept the Annual Town Report for fiscal year 2022 and Kim Russell Thompson seconded the motion. All voted in favor of the motion, and none were opposed.

Motion Carried.

2. To make a presentation of plans for a new website to replace the Town of Old Lyme's existing website (THIS IS NOT AN ACTION ITEM).

Attorney Lanier asked Jennifer Datum and Cheryl Poirier to present the plans for the new website.

Jennifer Datum and Cheryl Poirier presented the plans to upgrade the Town of Old Lyme's website. This upgrade was made possible by receiving ARPA funds in the amount of \$44,444. These funds were allocated and approved in July of 2022 and in August of 2022. The Town contracted with CivicPlus for the new website design. The website is set to go live on February 14, 2023.

3. To announce the recipient of the Board of Selectmen's Citizen of the Year for 2022.

Attorney Lanier asked First Selectman Griswold to announce the Old Lyme Citizen of the Year for 2022.

Timothy Griswold read a statement on behalf of the Board of Selectmen declaring that Edie Twining is the Citizen of the Year for 2022. He elaborated on Edie's work on the Town's Economic Development Commission and as Chair of the Hall Road Improvement Committee. She is also on the Boards of the Old Lyme Land Trust and the Old Lyme Historical Society. The audience applauded Edie on her accomplishments.

Meeting adjourned 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Urbowicz
Town Clerk