

PRESENTATION ANALYSIS/ RECOMMENDATIONS

I. CONSIDERATIONS/ TALKING POINTS TO ADDRESS

Make a no longer than 15 to 20 minute presentation* on the Project. The Presentation should include these components in this order:

- Identify and put a name to what you are doing (Project) - Your Intention
- Explain the "Purpose" in terms of objectives of the project and the benefits to the Town
- Summarize the details of the project in layman's terms - This is 10 of the minutes.
- Identify the Timeline / Deadline and what point you are at presently
- Identify estimated or preliminary cost and factors affecting it such as grants, cost sharing.
- Identify source of funds for the project and /or ongoing maintenance of such a project
- Inform those in attendance you will be asking for comments and questions
- Conclude with reiterating your intention and what the next steps will be (What actions will take place, another meeting and time etc.)

II. COMMOM CONCERNS IN PUBLIC PRESNETATIONS AND HEARINGS

- Why are you doing it?
- What is in it for me? How does it benefit me, the town, the environment etc.?
- Who else benefits? (This is the public suspicion that someone is making big money)
- How much does it cost?
- Where are you getting the money? Do I have to pay directly for it in some way?
- Does this save money for me, the town, reduce my taxes, in any way?
- Will this disrupt my property, street, travel, use of facilities etc.? If so how long?
- Do we have to do this now? Can we wait? Why or Why not?
- What do you want from me at this time or in the future?

III. QUESTIONS YOU WILL LIKELY GET

Is there a problem with pollution now?

Why aren't you letting the beach associations take care of the problems -they are paying for this?

Why are you doing this now?

It's too late, you have not helped the shoreline property owners all these years and are just trying to find a way to stop them from taking care of it themselves (right?)

How many septic systems are failing? Doesn't the WPCA work with problems?-Why do we need all this instead?

Where is the land for this? Does the Town own it? How are we getting it (the land) are we buying it? – why- how much? Can we confiscate the land with the state and not pay?

Don't we have or can't we get easements for free?

What good is just taking liquid waste out? What about the rest? (solid)

Do we have an order to do this from the DEEP?

Who authorized this? How much have we spent on this so far?

The beaches with the consent order are proceeding with sewers so why are we doing this?

Why hasn't the town taken steps to stop the sewers and fix the systems that are bad or deny occupancy?

This will lead to sewers for the whole town and the study will cause the DEEP to order that (right?)

The new First Selectman wants to help the beach residents as she promised by having the whole town pay for sewers and share the cost of waste disposal (right?)

This is a Task Force working on a system that will lead to sewers as the new Selectmen are no longer working on sewer avoidance (right?)

Is it true you already have estimates that this whole thing will cost nearly half a million dollars plus the cost of buying land for millions?

How come the town was not informed of how much money was spent so far?

How can you send out an official contract request when the money to pay for it was not approved?

Where did you get the money to pay for this and the other study and who approved it?

With our current economy and upcoming increases in taxes due to the school upgrades why are we looking to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on this when we have no pollution?

Show me the report from the Dept of Health or from the Health Director that we have pollution and where it is?

Have not the First Selectman exceeded her authority here? Why isn't the WPCA involved?

Is it legal for the Town to even plan this? Is it approved? When and who has to approve this in the state?

Is it true we are allocating open space to be used for a giant community septic system and land like near Buttonball (I assume that is a place or street) has already been identified? Has the town the right to use open space? Have the people who donated the open space been consulted?

Have some kind of negotiations been going on between the First Selectwomen and the property owners to purchase land already? Where is the money coming from?

If this study indicates this cannot work what is going to happen next?

Have the beach associations – OC add OLS agreed not to start their project until the study is done?

Has OCB agreed to this? What about the other Beach Associations?

What does Point of Woods do?

Can't the town tie into what POW is doing?

Weren't you told it was too late to address this at your last public forum? Why have you continued?

What is the long term benefit to Old Lyme as a community if we do this?

Will this help / stop the pollution of the CT River and Sound?

How does this help Rogers Lake property owners?

Will this work take place on the shore (I assume they meant Shore Road) road during the summer?

Are you stopping the Cherrystones Building project and installing a Town wide septic system?

Do houses with or without problems still need a septic system with this?

Does each shoreline association now need a community septic system going to a bigger septic system somewhere?

What about cesspools, how are they replaced? Who is determining what homes are or will be affected?

Is Town water affected? Do we have enough land to do this for the whole shoreline?

How is this cheaper than sewers? How do we know for sure?

Can the Town get reimbursed by the state and by affected property owners for this project and who (or) what will over see or monitor it (the project I assume)?

How would you sell this to the general public

In your opinion, what will be the DEEP's more critical performance attributes in this study?

Knowing what we want, what chances do you give one site handling all the capacity needs? What chances we will have enough land /multiple sites to handle the capacity needs?

Will the town of Old Lyme shut off individual residential systems in the winter when the town believes to be seasonal?

Will the town pay for this or share the cost since everyone benefits?

Who will own the leach field and equipment?

What happens in a power failure?

Will houses be forced to join?

Will this be smelly next to Cherry Stones?