

**Old Lyme Board of Selectman Special Meeting Minutes**  
**30 January 2023 at 4:00 PM**  
**Old Lyme Town Hall, American Legion Room**

**1. Call to Order at 4:08 p.m. by First Selectman Tim Griswold.**

**2. Appointments of Positions with Terms Ending on January 31, 2023:**

ADA Coordinator - Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to approve the appointment of Amy Bonatti as the ADA Coordinator (this position has no specific term). There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Affordable Housing Commission - Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to approve the appointments of Jennifer Miller and Amy Hosier to three-year Regular terms ending 31 January 2026 and the appointment of Anthony Vasiliou to an Alternate three-year term expiring 31 January 2026. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Conservation Commission - Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to approve the appointments of Traci Russell and Nicole Kabel to Regular three-year terms expiring 31 January 2025, Tom Sherer and Anthony Daniels to three year Regular terms expiring on 31 January 2026 and the appointment of Charlotte (Holly) Lyman, Gary Gregory and Madelyn Longfellow to one-year Alternate terms expiring 31 January 2024. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Economic Development - Selectwoman Shoemaker moved and Selectman Ward seconded a motion to approve the appointment of Joseph Cemean and Scott Smith to Regular five-year terms ending 31 January 2028. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Flood Erosion Control Board - Selectwoman Shoemaker moved and Selectman Ward seconded a motion to approve the appointment of Steve Martino to a two-year Regular term ending 31 January 2025. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Historic District Commission - Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to approve the appointment of Debi Czarnecki to a Regular five-year term ending 31 January 2028, and the appointment of Edward Pinn to an Alternate three-year term ending 31 January 26. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Inland Wetlands Commission - Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to approve the appointments of Rachael Gaudio, Jared Bombaci and John Mesham to Regular three-year terms ending 31 January 2026. Discussion: First Selectman Tim Griswold said there are other Alternate applications that need to be considered at the Board of Selectman meeting on February 6, 2023, so no action was taken on the Alternates. The motion was approved.

Open Space Commission - Selectwoman Shoemaker moved and Selectman Ward seconded a motion to approve the appointments of Evan Griswold and Greg Futoma to three-year Regular terms ending on 31 January 2026 and the appointment of Michael Aurelia to a Regular three-year term ending 31 January 2026. Discussion: Selectman Ward asked if there were any rules being violated with 6 Democrats and 1 Republican on the Commission. First Selectman Tim Griswold said this could be an issue and more homework is needed. Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to table the motion. There being no discussion, the motion to table was approved.

Parks & Recreation commission - - Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to approve the appointments of Robert Dunn, Brandan McKeever and Ryan Lee to Regular three-year terms ending 31 January 2026. Discussion: Selectwoman Shoemaker was concerned that the Commission held only 8 meetings last year. First Selectman Tim Griswold asked that the ordinance be reviewed to see how often this commission should be meeting. The motion was approved.

Pension Committee - Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to appoint Rick Stout to a Regular three-year term ending on 31 January 2026. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Planning Commission - Selectwoman Shoemaker moved and First Selectman Griswold seconded a motion to approve the appointments of Matt Ward, Jim Lampos and Christopher Kerr to one-year Alternate terms expiring 31 January 2024. As Mr. Ward is one of the Alternates, he did not vote. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Rogers Lake Authority - Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to approve the appointment of Janell James to a three-year Regular term expiring 31 January 2026. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Shellfish Commission - Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to approve the appointment of Todd Machnik to a three-year Regular term ending 31 January 2026. Discussion: First Selectman Griswold said the ordinance states that there are only three Regular positions available and no Alternate positions. Selectman Ward thanked Mike Aurelia for his application. The motion was approved.

Sound View Commission - First Selectman Griswold said Stephanie Liversey is the Manager of the Pavilion and her appointment might pose an issue as Frank Maratta, a Regular member of the Commission, is the owner of the Pavilion. Selectwoman Shoemaker moved and Selectman Ward seconded a motion to approve the appointments of Frank Pappalardo and Michaelle Pearson to three-year Regular terms ending 31 January 2026 and to appoint Jackie Miano, Paul Orzel and Robert Carlson, Jr. to one-year Alternate terms ending 31 January 2024. The motion was approved.

Tree Commission - Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to approve the appointments of Joanne DiCamillo and Michael Gaffey to three-year Regular terms expiring 31 January 2026 and Fred Behringer to a one-year Alternate term expiring 31 January 2024. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

Water Pollution Control Authority - Selectwoman Shoemaker moved and Selectman Ward seconded a motion to approve the appointment of Steven Urbowicz to fill an unexpired four-year Regular term expiring 31 January 2026. Discussion: Selectwoman Shoemaker asked if the recent resignation of two Regular members posed a quorum issue. After an explanation, all agreed this is not a problem. The motion was approved.

Zoning Commission - First Selectman Griswold said there are five applicants for the three Alternate positions and that the Chair is satisfied with the existing Alternates. Selectwoman Shoemaker said Sherry Johnston has missed 4 meetings and asked if the Chair is aware of this. Alternates need to be committed volunteers. Selectwoman Shoemaker moved and Selectman Ward seconded a motion to approve the appointments of Sloan Danenhower, Michael Barnes & Joseph (Gil) Soucie to one-year Alternate terms expiring 31 January 2024. Discussion: First Selectman Griswold was not aware of Sherry Johnston's attendance problems and would like to know more. First Selectman Griswold made a motion and Selectman Ward seconded the motion to table the motion. There being no additional discussion, the motion to table was approved.

Veterans Service Officer - Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to approve the appointment of Anthony Vallombroso to a 1-year term expiring 31 January 2024. There was no discussion and the motion was approved.

### **3. Adjournment**

Selectman Ward moved and Selectwoman Shoemaker seconded a motion to adjourn at 5:04 p.m. The motion was approved.

Minutes prepared by Suzanne McAuliffe