



LYME ELECTION NEWS

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LET'S ELECT LYME'S BEST & BRIGHTEST

"Help us ensure our Town boards and commissions are balanced with Democratic values by filling them with highly qualified individuals whose expertise can benefit the Town. If the Democratic Party is not well represented on these boards, we can encounter situations where decisions are made that are not in our Town's best interests. A good example of this happened in May, when the Board of Finance's Republican members wanted to cut the funding goal of our Open

Space Reserve Fund in half, from \$1,000,000 to \$500,000. While our party successfully rallied residents against the proposed cut, it's important to have our values well represented on the Board of Finance and other commissions. Our candidates love Lyme, value the importance of open space and want our Town to stay the beautiful, historic place that it is. Be a voter this year. Elect officials with the experience and values we need. Vote Row 'A.'" – John Kiker, Chairman, Lyme DTC



Let's Add Some Great People to the Board of Finance

We need the experience of **Bob House**, **Alan Sheiness** and **Jim Miller** on our Board of Finance (BOF). The BOF plays a critical role in our Town's governance and operations. The members of this board oversee and propose the Town's budget and spending plan, and decide on the mil rate that is used to compute the annual property tax. The members of this board review the Town's progress in meeting financial goals and obligations, and work closely with the Board of Selectmen in setting strategies for future expenditures. Bob, Alan and Jim are all highly qualified, dedicated individuals who love our Town and whose expertise can benefit our BOF. Bob and Alan are running for the board; Jim is running to be a board alternate. They're exactly the kind of people we need working on our BOF.



Bob House for Board of Finance

Alan Sheiness for Board of Finance

Jim Miller for BOF Alternate

Bob House for Board of Finance

- Has served for 2 years as a Board of Finance Alternate.
- Deep experience and expertise in economic analysis, policy

analysis and project development from his long tenure as an Economist for the federal government.

- Served as Senior Economist for more than 20 years for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Economic Research Service. Focus areas included agricultural commodity policy, resource and environment, and spatial economics.
- Later served as a consultant for the Environmental Defense Fund on mitigating climate change by adjusting farm and land use policies.
- Has a Ph.D. and M.A. in Economics with a focus on Public Finance from Rice University.

Alan Sheiness for Board of Finance

- More than 30 years of financial and executive management expertise from his long career at ADP, Inc., a public company with more than \$14 billion in revenues and 50,000 associates worldwide. Retired in 2015 from ADP as its Corporate Controller, Principal Accounting Officer and a Section 16 corporate officer.
- Co-Founding Director of PALS – a New York-based public charity formed in 2010 that arranges thousands of free flights annually for persons and families based on medical need via a network of volunteer pilots. (Alan is also a volunteer pilot.)
- Treasurer of Lyme Land Trust, as well as a member of its Executive Committee, Finance Committee and Governance Committee.
- Member of the Lyme Pension Advisory Committee.
- Member of the Lyme Sustainable Committee, focusing on dark sky initiatives.

- B.S. in Accounting from Syracuse University.

Jim Miller for Board of Finance Alternate

- Over 20 years of experience as a commercial and investment banker with deep expertise in budgeting and forecasting.
- Expert witness testifying in financial fraud litigation.
- Member of the Affordable Housing Commission.
- Member of the Lyme Sustainable Committee, focusing on sustainable energy development.
- Board member of the Niantic Bay Sailing Academy, which teaches life and leadership skills to youth and others through an appreciation of boating and the important natural resources that support these activities.
- M.B.A. in Finance from Columbia University.

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Let's Add Some Great People to the Planning & Zoning Commission

We need the experience of **Phyllis Ross**, **Mary Stone** and **Anne Littlefield** on our Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Commission. The P&Z Commission plays a critical role in our Town's governance and operations. The members of this commission write and enforce the Town's zoning and subdivision regulations, which enable the Town to maintain its identity as a beautiful, historic municipality. The members of this commission also consider and review any special permit requests that residents may apply for, and make a final decision whether or not to approve such requests. Phyllis, Mary and Anne are all highly qualified, dedicated individuals who love our Town and whose expertise can benefit our P&Z Commission. Phyllis is running for the commission; Mary and Anne are both running to be a commission alternate. They're exactly the kind of people we need working on this commission.



Phyllis Ross for P&Z Commission

Mary Stone for P&Z Commission Alternate

Anne Littlefield for P&Z Commission Alternate

Phyllis Ross for Planning & Zoning Commission

- Has served as a member of the Planning & Zoning Commission since 2015.

- Serves as a member of the Affordable Housing Commission.
- Member of the Lyme Democratic Town Committee since 2010, serving on the Elections, Nominations and Membership Committees, among others.
- Established the LDTC's Volunteer Recruitment Subcommittee that sponsored the first Town-wide Volunteer Recruitment Fair in conjunction with the Republican Town Committee and the Town of Lyme.
- Lyme homeowner for 36 years and full-time resident for 12 years.
- Before moving to Lyme, she lived in New Rochelle, NY, where she served on the Waterfront Advisory Committee, Future Visions Committee and the Citizens' Committee for the Master Plan.
- An abiding interest in land use brought her appointments to New Rochelle's Board of Appeals on Zoning (3 years), Chair of the Historic and Landmarks Review Commission (7 years) and member and Vice-Chair of the Planning Board (15 years).

Mary Stone for Planning & Zoning Commission Alternate

- Has served as an active Alternate Member of the Planning & Zoning Commission since 2020, chairing its writing committee and co-writing the short-term rentals ordinance and regulations.
- Served 6 years on Old Lyme's Zoning Board of Appeals, ending as Chair. Played a pivotal role in requiring the board to list its rationale for its decisions and establishing board conduct protocols during public hearings.
- Served 4 years on the Old Lyme Open Space Commission.
- Serves as Lyme's Representative to the Lower CT River Valley Council of Governments Regional Planning Committee.
- Has served as an active member of the Library Board since 2018. She has co-written its strategic plan and board manual, and co-rewritten the by-laws.
- Served as President of the Friends of the Old Lyme-Phoebe Griffin Noyes Library from 2004 to 2007.

Anne Littlefield for Planning & Zoning Commission Alternate

- Serves as partner and general counsel at Shipman Goodwin, where she represents schools in labor relations, employment and education law. From 2010-2017, served as co-chair of the firm's School Law Practice Group and, from 2011-2017, served on the firm's Management Committee.
- Served as the vice chair of the Connecticut Bar Association's Education Law Committee.
- Former member of the Board of Directors of the National School Boards' Association Council of School Attorneys.
- Former president of the Connecticut School Attorneys Council.
- Member of the American Bar Association and Rhode Island Bar Association.

Also Running This Year: Vote Row "A"

Rounding out our election slate this year are other highly qualified, dedicated individuals who love our Town and whose expertise can benefit our boards and commissions. They want Lyme to stay the beautiful, historic place that it is. And they need your vote. (You can read about their qualifications and history of service to our Town on our website at www.lymedtc.com.)

- **Steven Mattson** for First Selectman
- **John Kiker** for Selectman
- **Fred Harger** for Zoning Board of Appeals
- **Toni Phillips** for Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate
- **Mary Stone** for Library Board of Directors
- **Laura Mooney** for Library Board of Directors
- **Anna James** for Board of Education
- **John Kiker** for Board of Assessment Appeals

They would like your vote. Let's put these people in office.



*Steven Mattson for
First Selectman*



*John Kiker for
Selectman*



*Fred Harger for
Zoning Board of Appeals*



*Toni Phillips for Zoning
Board of Appeals Alternate*



*Mary Stone for Library
Board of Directors*



*Laura Mooney for
Library Board of Directors*



*Anna James for
Board of Education*



*John Kiker for Board
of Assessment Appeals*

Same-Day Voter Registration on Nov. 2

If you haven't registered to vote yet, you can register to vote on the day of the election (Tuesday, Nov. 2) at **Lyme Town Hall** from **6:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.** To be eligible for same-day voter registration:

- You must meet the state's general eligibility requirements for voting.
- You must not have registered to vote before in CT - or - you must have registered to vote in another Connecticut town, but have since that time moved to Lyme.

Be a voter. Vote Row "A."

Poll Hours & Location

- In-person voting will take place on **Tuesday, Nov. 2**, at **Lyme Town Hall** at **480 Hamburg Road**.
- The polls will be open from **6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Absentee Ballots

Due to COVID-19, all voters are permitted to vote in the Nov. 2 election by Absentee Ballot. You can fill out an application for an Absentee Ballot in person at **Town Hall** during regular business hours (**9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Mondays through Fridays**) from now until Monday, Nov. 1. Once you receive your Absentee Ballot, you must deposit the filled-out ballot in the Official Ballot Drop Box on the sidewalk outside of Town Hall **no later than 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 2**. Be a voter. Vote Row "A."





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Greg Melville

Adam McEwen

Laura Louise Mooney

Toni Phillips

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Holly Rubino

Mary Stone

Judy Ulrich

BE A VOTER!

***Vote at Town Hall on Nov. 2
or by Absentee Ballot!***