

NOTICE
Town of Lowell
SELECT BOARD MEETING
THE LOWELL SELECTBOARD WILL MEET ON
Tuesday April 2, 2019 AT 5:30 P.M.
AT THE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING.

AGENDA:

- **Sign Orders**
- **Approve minutes from March 5, 2019**
- **Truck Weight Permits**
- **Other business**

SELECTBOARD:

Richard Pion- Chm.
Alden Warner
Dwight Richardson

MINUTES
SELECT BOARD MEETING
TOWN OF LOWELL
Meeting held on April 2, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Board members present:

Richard Pion/Chair, Alden Warner, Dwight Richardson

Christy Pion/Select Board Clerk

Calvin Allen/Road Commissioner

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Guest:

- Richard Dingee-Resident
- Gordon Spencer-Zoning Administrator
- Peter Challenger-Resident
- Elizabeth Trail-Chronicle

Sign Orders:

- Orders were approved and signed by the Board unanimously for the Treasurer.

Approve minutes for March 5, 2019:

- Minutes from March 5, 2019 meeting were approved and signed by the Board unanimously.

Truck Weight Permits:

- Truck Weight Permits were approved and signed by the Board Chair for the following: Camp Precast Concrete Products, Inc., G.W. Tatro Construction, Inc., Dan Pepin Excavating and Trucking, Structures R.B.R., Inc., Oil Supply Corp., and Harrison Redi-Mix Corp.

Other Business:

- Calvin met with VTrans to set up the annual meeting with them, which is being held April 22, 2019 at 8:30 A.M. Calvin had also discussed when the possible roads grant was going to be awarded, he was told they

would know for sure in a couple of weeks of when and how much the grant would be if our Town is awarded one.

- UPDATE: Calvin stated that he had spoken with John Schmeltzer to get an update on the G-1 holdings money for the erosion on Kempton Hill Road. John told him that he was just waiting to meet with Lauren Bennett to finish with the final details, and that they would be finished soon and would have some answers for us.
- Alden had spoken with Tyler Billingsley from East Engineering recently about the Kempton Hill Bridge Project. Tyler is getting together with GEO-Tech to find the best bridge length and abutments possibilities for a better and more feasible cost for the Town.
- Richard Dingee asked about winter maintenance and upgrading the Tenakee Road to class 3. He was reminded that the town does not provide winter maintenance on class 4 roads, and that upgraded the road to class 3 specifications would be at the expense of the residence on that road. Once these specifications were met, then the town could re-classify it. Richard also had questions about school financials, and was reminded that the select board has no jurisdiction over school financials. His concerns would have to be discussed with the School Board.
- Gordon Spencer had questions about re-classifying part of the Kempton Hill road, instead of replacing the bridge. The select board explained that the town had already voted to replace the bridge. Apparently, Gordon was confused about the town vote. Gordon also expressed concerns about more properties being sold in town to tax-exempt buyers (such as religious organizations). Some of these buyers are buying acres and acres of property that the town would no longer get tax revenue from. He asked if there could be some kind of way to have them pay a portion of money for large acreage to help with the Town Taxes. The Board agreed to look into it.
- Elizabeth Trail, from the Chronicle, came to listen in on the meeting to get an update on the Kempton Hill Bridge project, and to find out if there were any other developments happening in Lowell.

Board Warrants:

General Order #55-	\$	1,498.29
Payroll #34-	\$	6,013.21
Payroll General #36-	\$	5,411.10
Fire Dept. #35-	\$	708.10

Signed by the Board for the Treasurer to draw checks totaling - \$ 13,630.70

Meeting adjourned at 6.47 p.m.

Next meeting date: April 16, 2019 at the Lowell Town Office Building

Richard Pion- Chm.

Christy Pion – Selectboard Clerk

Alden Warner

Dwight Richardson