## NOTICE Town of Lowell SELECT BOARD MEETING THE LOWELL SELECTBOARD WILL MEET ON Tuesday March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING.

#### AGENDA

- To review final draft of the Solid Waste Implantation Plan
- To review and approve local Liquor Licenses.
- Sign town orders
- Other business

SELECTBOARD: Richard Pion- Chm. Alden Warner

Alden Warner Dwight Richardson

# MINUTES SELECT BOARD MEETING TOWN OF LOWELL

### Meeting held on March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

#### **Board members present:**

Richard Pion/Chairman, Alden Warner, Dwight Richardson Amanda Carlson/Select Board Clerk Calvin Allen/Road Commissioner Sandy LaDeau/Town Clerk & Treasurer

### **Guests:**

Martha Staskus, Allison Stone - Kidder Hill Community Wind

## **Discussion:**

- Motion was made and seconded to suspend the agenda and allow the Kidder Hill Community Wind representatives to speak first.
- Martha Staskus spoke on behalf of the Kidder Hill Community Wind project. The two turbine project was proposed for Irasburg where it was fought and rejected by the Irasburg residents. The Board inquired about the location of the project, and was told that the land proposed for the turbines spans both Lowell and Irasburg. With this being said, the Board questioned how they thought the town residents would feel about locating the project in Lowell, if that was even a possibility.
- The Board reviewed the Solid Waste Implementation Plan. The Plan was unanimously approved as written with no suggested changes. The SWIP will now be submitted to the State for final review before formal adoption by the Town.
- Liquor Licenses signed and approved by the Board for the following: *Missisquoi Lanes Bowling Alley; Lowell General Store; Hidden Country Restaurant.*
- Minutes of March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 meeting signed and approved unanimously.
- The law suit against the town of Lowell by the Agency of Natural Resources has officially been dismissed. This \$85,000 fine for not obtaining a Stream Alteration Permit on the Mines Road, was dismissed because it was determined that the select board made the correct decision. The Board discussed the pending appeal to the ANR to recoup all fees lost on legal expenses, as well as the Town Insurance Company to cover costs. More information will be obtained and discussed with Ron Shems of Diamond and Robinson.

- The Board gave approval for Amanda Carlson to approach solid waste haulers and see if any were interested in parking a truck at the Town Garage on Saturday mornings from 8 am to 12 noon during recycling hours, to accept household trash at a per bag cost. This will make it more convenient for residents and give them a drop off point. Amanda cleared this with a representative from the State that it complies with the new Solid Waste Plan and the State regulations.
- The Board and Road Commissioner were notified of a meeting on April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 am at the Town Clerks office with Sane Morin, from VTrans, for the annual road budget discussions.
- Richard Pion, Select Board Chairman, signed Truck Weight permits for the following: *Suburban Propane; SD Ireland Concrete; Dale E Percy, Inc; Blow & Cote Inc.*
- Board signed and approved contract with Community National Bank allowing the Treasurer to set up a \$200,000 line of credit to be used for daily expenses for 2016 until tax funds are collected.
- Richard Pion signed FEMA closeout review package for Mines Road project.
- Department of Forest, Parks and Recreation sent a *Notice of Determination for a Heavy Cut Permit* that was grated to Stephen and Lise Comeau on Page Road. The Board had no comment.
- Calvin Allen discussed the pit maintenance with the Board and sought advice on quantities used in the past for road maintenance. Discussion was had on how to proceed this year with screening and gravel pit access. No decisions were made; discussion will continue in the spring.

# **Board Warrants**

General Order # 8 -	\$ 1,909.33
General Order # 9 -	\$ 14,538.31
Payroll # 6 -	\$ 5,086.59
Payroll General # 6 -	\$ 4,624.58
Fire Department # 5 -	\$ 565.02

Signed by the Board for the Treasurer to draw checks totaling - \$ 26,723.83

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM

Next meeting date: April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

Richard Pion- Chm.

Amanda Carlson - Asst. Clerk

Alden Warner

Dwight Richardson