

**WARNING**  
**LOWELL ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING**

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**SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING:**

All Australian ballot articles warned by North Country Union High School (NCUHS) will be voted by the  
Australian ballot system at the Lowell Graded School.

***Polls open at 9:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m.***

**ARTICLE 1:** To ELECT **SCHOOL MODERATOR** for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 2:** To ELECT an **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIRECTOR** for a two year term.

**ARTICLE 3:** To ELECT an **ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DIRECTOR** for a three year term.

**ARTICLE 4:** Shall the voters of the school district approve the school board to expend \$1,827,093.00, which is the amount the school board has determined to be necessary for the ensuing fiscal year 2018. It is estimated that this proposed budget, if approved, will result in education spending of \$12,488.00 per equalized pupil. This projected spending per equalized pupil is 6.95% higher than spending for the current year.

**ARTICLE 5:** Shall the voters of the LOWELL TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT authorize the Board of School Directors to use \$69,316.00 of the unallocated, unaudited general fund balance from the 2015-2016 school year, to reduce taxes in the 2017-2018 school budget?

**ARTICLE 6:** To transact any other non-binding business which may legally come before this meeting.

**ARTICLE 7:** To adjourn.

**TOWN MEETING:**

**ARTICLE 8:** To ELECT **TOWN MODERATOR** for the ensuing year.

**ARTICLE 9:** To HEAR and ACT upon reports of TOWN OFFICERS.

**ARTICLE 10:** To ELECT the following **OFFICERS** required by law:

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| a. SELECT PERSON             | 3 year term |
| b. LISTER                    | 3 year term |
| c. LISTER                    | 1 year term |
| d. AUDITOR                   | 3 year term |
| e. 1 <sup>st</sup> CONSTABLE | 1 year term |
| f. 2 <sup>nd</sup> CONSTABLE | 1 year term |
| g. TOWN AGENT                | 1 year term |
| h. GRAND JUROR               | 1 year term |
| i. LIBRARY TRUSTEE           | 5 year term |

**ARTICLE 11:** Shall the legal voters appropriate the sum of **\$280,000.00** for **TOWN EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES** (Select Board's Account)?

**ARTICLE 12:** Shall the legal voters appropriate **\$ 125,000.00** plus Vermont State Aid funding for **WINTER ROADS**?

**ARTICLE 13:** Shall the legal voters appropriate **\$ 125,000.00** plus Vermont State Aid funding for **SUMMER ROADS**?

**ARTICLE 14:** Shall the legal voters appropriate **\$ 25,000.00** for the **FIRE DEPARTMENT**?

**ARTICLE 15:** Shall the legal voters allow the Select Board to **BORROW** up to **\$150,000.00** to **REPLACE** the Lowell Fire Department's 25 year old **TANKER TRUCK**?

**ARTICLE 16:** Shall the legal voters appropriate **\$ 6,000.00** for the **COMMUNITY LIBRARY**?

**ARTICLE 17:** Shall the legal voters appropriate **\$ 3,000.00** for the **LITTLE LEAGUE & T-BALL** teams?

**ARTICLE 18:** Shall the legal voters appropriate \$ 1,000.00 for the **JR. HOOP BASKETBALL** teams?

**ARTICLE 19:** Shall the legal voters appropriate the sum of \$ 3,500.00 to the **ORLEANS ESSEX VNA & HOSPICE, INC.** for the services of Skilled Nursing, Physical Therapy, Speech Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Medical Social Work, Licensed Nurse's Aide, Homemaker, Personal Care Attendant, Hospice, and Maternal Child Health Programs, and other community health programs provided by the Agency?

**ARTICLE 20:** Shall the legal voters appropriate the following sums:

- a) \$ 500 to AMERICAN RED CROSS
- b) \$ 250 to GREEN MOUNTAIN FARM-to-SCHOOL, INC
- c) \$ 50 to GREEN UP VERMONT
- d) \$ 450 to HAZEN'S NOTCH ASSOC. CAMPERSHIP FUND
- e) \$ 250 to JAY AREA LOCAL FOOD SHELF
- f) \$ 200 to JAY PEAK POST NO. 28, INC. - AMERICAN LEGION
- g) \$ 300 to NORTHEAST KINGDOM COMMUNITY ACTION, INC. – ORLEANS COUNTY COURT DIVERSION
- h) \$ 300 to NORTHEAST KINGDOM COUNCIL ON AGING
- i) \$ 923 to NORTHEAST KINGDOM HUMAN SERVICE, INC.
- j) \$ 200 to NORTHEAST KINGDOM LEARNING SERVICES INC
- k) \$ 659 to NORTHEASTERN VT DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
- l) \$ 500 to ORLEANS COUNTY CITIZEN ADVOCACY
- m) \$ 375 to ORLEANS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
- n) \$ 500 to POPE MEMORIAL FRONTIER ANIMAL SHELTER
- o) \$ 200 to PREVENT CHILD ABUSE VERMONT
- p) \$ 700 to RURAL COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION
- q) \$ 600 to UMBRELLA
- r) \$ 100 to VACD - VERMONT RURAL FIRE PROTECTION
- s) \$ 200 to VT ASSOC for the BLIND and VISUALLY IMPAIRED
- t) \$ 90 to VT CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING
- u) \$ 85 to VT TRAILS & GREENWAYS

**Total for above appropriations = 7,432.00**

**PLEASE NOTE: Individual service reports printed in back of town report.**

**ARTICLE 21:** To transact any other non-binding business that may legally come before the Town.

**ARTICLE 22: TO ADJOURN.**

**SELECTBOARD:**

**SCHOOL DIRECTORS:**

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Richard Pion, Chairman

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Steve Mason, Chair,

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Dwight Richardson

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Jason Blay

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Alden Warner

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David Legacy

ATTEST:

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Sandy LaDeau – Town Clerk / Treasurer

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