

NOTICE
Town of Lowell
SELECT BOARD MEETING
THE LOWELL SELECTBOARD WILL MEET ON
Tuesday August 1, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M.
AT THE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING.

AGENDA:

- ADDITIONS & DELETIONS
- TRUST FOR PUBLIC LANDS-DISCUSSION
- SIGN ORDERS
- REVIEW MINUTES FROM JULY 18, 2023.
- OTHER BUSINESS

SELECTBOARD:
Darren Pion-Chm.
Wayne Richardson
Jennifer Blay

MINUTES
SELECTBOARD MEETING
TOWN OF LOWELL
Meeting held on August 1, 2023.

Board members present:

Darren Pion-Chm., Wayne Richardson, Jennifer Blay
Christy Pion- Clerk/Asst. Treasurer/Selectboard Clerk
Rebecca DiZazzo-Treasurer/Delinq. Tax Collector
Calvin Allen-Road Commissioner

The meeting was called to order at 5:42 p.m.

Guest:

- Kate Wanner-Trust for Public Land
- Gannon Osborne- Vt. Dept. of forest and Parks Rec.
- Fay Starr-Library Trustee
- Jennifer Higgins-Library Trustee
- Katherine Pion-Library Trustee

Additions and Deletions:

- Library Trustee- Permission for story walk and picnic table for outside of office.

Library Trustees:

- The Library Trustees joined the meeting to get permission from the Board to have a story walk in the Town Offices back field. The Board said that they were fine with it, but they need to make sure they follow the rules and regulations of a story walk due to copy rights of books.
- The Trustees also asked about possibly putting a picnic table behind the building to sit at in the summer. The Board agreed this would be okay.

Trust for Public Lands-Discussion:

- Kate Wanner & Gannon Osborne joined the meeting to discuss the Legacy easement project. Kate has worked for Vermont for 33 years. The company Kate works for is called Trust for Public Land, and the

company Gannon works for is VT Department of Forests Parks & Recreation. They work together on wooded areas to get federal funding to help with maintenance and upkeep. The landowners that participate in these projects get the benefit of having their wooded areas stay rather than be developed and cut down. They are asking the Town for a letter of support to help keep these programs going and to keep getting the federal funding they need for it. Once the land is in the program it is locked in forever. The Board asked if this program affected the taxes of the land? They answered that it does not affect the taxes in any way. The Board agreed to write and sign a letter of support after they had heard more about how the program works.

Other Business:

- Driveway permits were approved and signed for the following by the Road Commissioner: **Kevin Brooks & Deven Fadden**

Minutes from July 18, 2023:

- Minutes from July 18, 2023 were approved by the Board unanimously.

Sign Orders:

- Financials were approved and signed by the Board for the Treasurer.

Board Warrants:

➤ General Order # 23	\$	19,502.04
➤ General Order # 24	\$	4,623.11
➤ Payroll Order # 16	\$	6,361.62

\$ 30,486.77

**Signed by the Board for the Treasurer to draw checks totaling -
Meeting adjourned at 7:03 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted by Christy M. Pion

Next meeting date: August 15, 2023 at the Town Office Building.

Darren Pion-Chair

Christy M. Pion-Selectboard Clerk

Wayne Richardson-Select Person

Jennifer Blay-Select Person