

# NOTICE

Town of Lowell

SELECT BOARD MEETING

THE LOWELL SELECTBOARD WILL MEET ON

Tuesday September 3, 2019 AT 5:30 P.M.

AT THE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING.

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**AGENDA:**

- Sign Orders
- Approve minutes from August 20, 2019
- Sign LEMP
- Other business

**SELECTBOARD:**

Richard Pion- Chm.  
Alden Warner  
Dwight Richardson

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**MINUTES**

**SELECT BOARD MEETING**

**TOWN OF LOWELL**

**Meeting held on September 3, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.**

**Board members present:**

Richard Pion/Chair, Alden Warner, Dwight Richardson

Priscilla Matten/Treasurer/Ass't. Clerk

Christy Pion/Select Board Clerk/Town Clerk/Ass't. Treasurer

Calvin Allen/Road Commissioner

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

**Guest:**

- Steven Cyr-1<sup>st</sup> Constable/Animal control Officer

**Sign Orders:**

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

**Approve minutes for August 20, 2019:**

- ❖ Minutes from August 20, 2019 meeting were approved and signed by the Board unanimously.

**Other Business:**

- ❖ Steven Cyr, Animal Control Officer, joined the meeting to discuss what to do after issuing a civil ticket for non-compliance of licensing dogs. He has issued a ticket to a Town resident after repeatedly notifying him that he needed to register his dogs. Priscilla offered to call the courthouse for further instructions. Steven thanked Priscilla and Christy for all the help that has been given him with letters, lists, and contact information, to help make his job easier.
- ❖ Priscilla presented a letter from The Orleans Court House letting the Town know that an old case pertaining to Marshall Cote had been closed.
- ❖ Priscilla presented papers from the Disability rights VT, showing that the Lowell Town Office is not in compliance for handicap voters. The Office will be looking into this to find out what needs to be done.

- ❖ The Board Clerk reviewed the LEMP (Local Emergency Management Plan) with Alden to show him the new updates. After reviewing it, Alden signed it so that it could be sent to NVDA for final draft of the plan.
- ❖ Calvin expressed concern over town sand usage. He noted it is being used, as intended, for personal use, but it has also become used commercially as well. This creates the cause of his concerns:
  1. The commercial users are getting their sand with town equipment, which creates a liability issue for the town and
  2. It has become difficult to plan for the town needs, for commercial uses cause a big variance and
  3. These commercial users have been getting the sand free and are competing with other businesses who have to pay for their sand supply, which creates a level of unfairness.

The Selectboard confirmed the sand is not to be loaded onto any vehicle by town equipment and the town will continue to provide a sand pile for private use only.
- ❖ Calvin and the Board discussed the Blacktop Road maintenance plan. It was noted that the amount allocated annually for this purpose only covers approx. 1.5 miles every 4 years. This is not sufficient to keep the 16+ miles of town blacktop roads serviceable. Calvin suggested it be brought up at the next town meeting regarding borrowing funds to get blacktop roads up to standard. Richard requested that Calvin research to provide an estimate of the cost the town would need to vote on.

❖ **Board Warrants:**

➤ <b>General Order #76-</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>18,096.38</b>
➤ <b>General Order #77-</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,150.94</b>
➤ <b>Payroll #45-</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5,669.08</b>
➤ <b>Fire Dept. # 46-</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>229.91</b>

- **Signed by the Board for the Treasurer to draw checks totaling - \$ 26,146.31**

**Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.**

**Next meeting date: September 17, 2019 at the Lowell Town Office Building**

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*Richard Pion- Chm.*

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*Christy M. Pion – Selectboard Clerk*

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*Alden Warner*

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*Dwight Richardson*