NOTICE Town of Lowell SELECT BOARD MEETING THE LOWELL SELECTBOARD WILL MEET ON Tuesday September 12, 2023 AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING.

AGENDA:

- ADDITIONS & DELETIONS
- 2ND PRINTER FOR OFFICE
- SIGN ORDERS
- REVIEW MINUTES FROM AUGUST 29, 2023.
- OTHER BUSINESS

<u>SELECTBOARD:</u> Darren Pion-Chm. Wayne Richardson Jennifer Blay

MINUTES

SELECTBOARD MEETING TOWN OF LOWELL <u>Meeting held on September 12, 2023.</u>

Board members present:

Darren Pion-Chm., Wayne Richardson, Jennifer Blay Christy Pion- Clerk/Asst. Treasurer/Selectboard Clerk Rebecca DiZazzo-Treasurer/Deling. Tax Collector

Calvin Allen-Road Commissioner

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m.

Guest:

Gordon Spencer-Zoning Administrator/Auditor

Additions and Deletions:

• Gordon Spencer complaint discussion.

Gordon Spencer Complaint discussion:

 Gordon joined the meeting to discuss with the Board some complaints he had received from residents. One complaint was about the junk still sitting in the pit on Lower Village road. The Board and The Road Commissioner assured him that it would be removed before the FOLK festival on the 16th of September. The Second complaint was on Irish hill road of the bark mulch and chips being to close to the road and blowing of chips and bark mulch into the Road right-of-way. Darren stated that none of the bark was close to the road and that if there are chips blowing into the road he will do his best to clean them up. The third complaint was that Darren had to many junk vehicles in his truck and mulch yard. He assure gordon that there were only one or two junk vehicles that didn't run the other vehicles and machinery are all registered and run all the time.

Other Business:

• Jenn updated the Board members on the progress of the easement deed for NEKCUD. She shared the emails she had received so far. Decision making for this deal have been tabled until all the necessary parts have been completed and agreed on.

- Becky shared with the Board that John White had quoted \$2000.00 to paint the whole roof of the garage. The Board agreed that this was a fair price and that they would use ARPA money to pay for it.
- Becky shared the Cargill salt informal quote letter with the Board and Calvin. The Members approved it and Darren, the Board chair signed it.
- Becky shared the quote she received from Gray's paving to start paving Irish Hill road on October 9th.
- Chris Hager had given an email to be shared at the Board meeting about The E911 having an issue with Stewart Rd. The road is classified as a class 3 road but looks as though it is not up to standards. They would like to know the Boards plan for this on whether they plan to fix it or reclassify it. The Board has decided that they are going to send a letter to the Landowners to invite them to a meeting and ask them what they would prefer to have done.
- Becky shared with the Board some information on a feral pig officer. The Board would like to contact the Sheriff's office before moving forward with talking to the feral pig officer.
- Becky discussed with the Board about the fact that we still haven't gotten any bites on the Treasurer Ad. She would like to have Sara Macy come again and help her with the end of the year budget. Gordon suggested that we use audit money to help pay Sara for her time. The Board agreed.
- Calvin suggested that we hire an assistant for now rather than a new Treasurer to help both Becky and Christy, for he noticed how overwhelmed one or the other can be when there is only one of them in the office.

2nd printer for office discussion:

• Becky had brought to the Boards attention that a second large printer is needed in the office. She explained that it is very hard for the Clerk to keep up with the recording of records when we have researchers in the office monopolizing the printer. The Board asked Becky to get a quote for the printer and they will further discuss it after reviewing the quote.

Minutes from August 29, 2023:

• Minutes from August 29, 2023 were not available due to the Clerk being on vacation for 2 weeks. They will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Sign Orders:

• The Board reviewed the financials and discussed the increase of price for the recycling. The Board decided to call Casella and ask why the price is so high. The rest of the financials were approved and signed by the Board for the Treasurer.

Board Warrants:

≻	General Order # 28	\$ 36,474.66
۶	Payroll Order # 19	\$ 5,975.24

\$ 42,449.90

Signed by the Board for the Treasurer to draw checks totaling -Meeting adjourned at 6:53 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Christy M. Pion

Next meeting date: September 26, 2023 at the Town Office Building.

Darren Pion-Chair

Christy M. Pion–Selectboard Clerk

Wayne Richardson-Select Person

Jennifer Blay-Select Person