

NOTICE
Town of Lowell
SELECT BOARD MEETING
THE LOWELL SELECTBOARD WILL MEET ON
Tuesday August 13, 2024, AT 7:00 P.M.
AT THE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING.

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AGENDA:

- Additions & Deletions
- Sign Orders
- Gordon Spencer
- Review minutes from July 24, 2024
- Road Commissioner updates
- Other Business

Selectboard:
Wayne Richardson-Chm
Darren Pion
Jennifer Blay

MINUTES
SELECTBOARD MEETING
TOWN OF LOWELL
Meeting held on August 13, 2024.

Board members present:

Wayne Richardson- Chm, Darren Pion
Christy Pion-Clerk/Asst Treasurer/Selectboard Clerk
Marie Busch-Asst.Clerk/Asst. Treasurer
Calvin Allen-Road Commissioner

Board members Absent:

Jennifer Blay
Rebbeca DiZazzo-Treasurer/Asst. Clerk

Note: All meetings are recorded on a handheld recording device.

Meeting called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Guests:

- Scott Jenness-BLRR
- Lee Curtis-BLRR
- Curt Girard-BLRR
- Mathew Eshed-Monastic Academy

Additions and Deletions:

- DELETION-Gordon Spencer was unable to attend as originally planned.
- ADDITION- BLRR club members joined meeting for concern of trail reroute.
- ADDITION- Mathew Eshed

BLRR club members joined meeting for concern of trail reroute:

- Scott Jenness, BLRR President, joined the meeting with 2 other members of the BLRR club to discuss a confusion they had about the reroute of their trail during the detour of Rte. 58 West. They were under the understanding that they would be able to access the trail through the reroute as they would have no other access to town from the mines road if they can't use Kempton hill or Valley road to get there. The Road Commissioner, Calvin Allen said That it is a safety concern, that is why

he had posted No ATV signs on both roads not realizing there was no other access for the ATV's. The Board was concerned about the safety issue as well. The Club offered to put the signage that was appropriate for the road safety issue if the Town would allow them access as the State will not grant them the use of route 100. After a short back and forth conversation the Board and Road Commissioner agreed to allow them to use the detour starting on Friday, August 16, 2024 as a trial run. If everything goes well through the weekend then they will allow the use of the detour up to the end of the season which is October 1, 2024. The Board also asked to have the club set up its own patrolling of this portion of the trail to make sure that everyone is obeying the rules, the club agreed to do so. (More details of this conversation is available on a recorder in the town office)

Mathew Eshed Monastic Academy:

- Mathew joined the meeting to get a feel for what we do in our Selectboard meetings. He also wanted to introduce himself to the town as he is the new coordinator for the Monastic Academy. He also wanted some input on how to take care of his road being that it is a class 4 road. Right now, he is still in the process of planning , but will be coming in periodically to get new ideas from the Board and Road Commissioner to make sure he is following the right protocol during the process.

Sign Orders:

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

Minutes from July 24, 2024

- Minutes from July 24, 2024 were approved and signed by the Board unanimously.

Road Commissioner Updates:

- Calvin asked about getting reimbursed for the fixing of Kempton hill for the construction reroute. Wayne and Darren explained that it wouldn't be worth it with the amount of paperwork that would be involved.
- Calvin presented some quotes that he had gotten for the Loader. He also asked the Board if they want to pursue it or table it for now. The Board told Calvin to get more quotes, and they will discuss it more in future meetings.

Other Business:

- Darren shared a letter from Mary Rising about questions of her 911 address. The Board determined that this was a lister concern and there was nothing they could answer for this matter.

Board Warrants:

➤ General Order # 18	\$	39,086.51
➤ Payroll Order #17	\$	<u>9,833.04</u>
	\$	48,919.55

Signed for the Treasurer to draw checks totaling -

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Christy M. Pion

Next meeting date: August 27, 2024, at the Town Office Building.

Wayne Richardson – Chair

Christy M. Pion–Selectboard Clerk

Darren Pion-Select Person

Jennifer Blay-Select Person