# NOTICE Town of Lowell SELECT BOARD MEETING THE LOWELL SELECTBOARD WILL MEET ON Tuesday July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE TOWN OFFICE BUILDING.

- To lodge the 2016 Grand List
- Sign Orders
- Other Business

<u>SELECTBOARD:</u> Richard Pion- Chm. Alden Warner Dwight Richardson

# MINUTES SELECT BOARD MEETING TOWN OF LOWELL

### Meeting held on July 26th, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

#### **Board members present:**

Richard Pion/Chairman; Dwight Richardson Amanda Carlson/Select Board Clerk; Sandy LaDeau/Town Clerk & Treasurer Calvin Allen/Road Commissioner

#### **Guests:**

Lerry Chase /Lister

### **Discussion:**

- Lerry Chase presented the Board with the 2016 Grand List. Property values total \$1,388,567.00 showing a 7.8% increase over last year's total of \$1,288,474.00. The Board unanimously approved the grand list as is. The Board, Lerry as representative of the Listers, and Sandy LaDeau Town Clerk, signed and certified the 2016 Grand List.
- Minutes of the July 12<sup>th</sup> meeting signed. Approved unanimously.
- The Board was reminded of the meeting next Friday August 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. with Ron Shems of Diamond & Robinson, and the Board of Directors of the VLCT. The meeting is taking place at the VLCT office in Montpelier to continue the claim for reimbursement of legal fees under the insurance policy.
- Monaghan Safar Ducham PLLC will be using the board room at the Town Clerks Office on September 19<sup>th</sup> and September 20<sup>th</sup> for depositions regarding the insurance claim for the collapse on Mines Road. There are no instructions for the Board to be present, however, information will be clarified closer to that date.
- Calvin Allen summarized work completed for flood damage and provided an update on the emergency grant funds. Jason from the VTrans office will be coming for another site visit Wednesday to give a final decision on a culvert size. Work should be completed in the next week or two and the grant application can be submitted. Total costs up to and including July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 were \$39,192. The total anticipated cost to complete will be around \$50,000. The emergency grant offers a 90% reimbursement.
- Ron Beaulieu & Co. submitted the final report for the 2014 audit of accounts. The Town's Elected Auditors have been notified and copies of the reports will be given to them for review.

• Sandy Ladeau reviewed the 2016 tax rate with the Board. Total expenses, expected revenues and payment from Green Mountain Power were examined. The difference after GMP payment was \$1,220. The Select Board agreed unanimously to pay this from the Select Board account and not charge the Town a municipal tax. Tax bills will be prepared and sent out in the next couple of weeks.

# **Board Warrants for July 12th, 2016**

General Order #	23	\$ 8,114.46
Payroll #	15	\$ 5,095.79
Payroll General #	17	\$ 3,946.00
Fire Department #	14	\$ 147.41
Signed by the Board for the Treasurer to draw checks totaling		\$ 17,303.66

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Next meeting date: August 9th, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

Richard Pion- Chm.

Amanda Carlson - Asst. Clerk

Alden Warner

Dwight Richardson