

APPROVED

**WARREN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, February 15, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Sackett called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

Selectmen Present: Charles Sackett, Charles Chandler; Selectmen Clancey arrived at 5:25 pm

Staff/Officials Present: Town Administrator - Judith Tautenhan, Transfer Station - George Russell, Treasurer - Sheila Foote, Chief of Police - John Semertgakis, Road Agent - Bobby Cass, Chair Warren School Board - Don Bagley, and Fire Chief - Art Heath.

Public Present: Victoria Saucier, Becky Brooks, John Lester

C. Sackett led those present in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

SELECT BOARD MANIFEST:

C. Chandler moved for approval of the manifest. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler-yes, Sackett-yes. The motion passed 2-0-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

C. Chandler motioned for approval of the minutes from the January 18, 2017 Board Meeting, as long as the suggested changes were made. C. Sackett seconded the motion. *Vote: Chandler- yes, Sackett-yes. The motion passed 2-0-0.*

PUBLIC COMMENT:

It was noted that the power was out during the Selectboard meeting, and that the emergency lights did come on in the meeting room. The Town Administrator was not able to print an agenda, as power was lost before it could be printed. John Lester reported that the event on his property had been changed to the weekend of March 5th. D. Bagley, Sr. reported that the school budget was down from last year, and that a petitioned warrant article was received to not put the 3rd and 4th grade students in the same classroom for next year.

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS REPORTS

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT:

The Road Agent reported that he had been busy plowing and asked if the Board had any concerns for him. The Road Agent reported that as soon as the storm was over, he would push back the snowbanks and complete routine maintenance on the trucks. Clark's Truck Center covered the repairs on the big truck that were under warranty so there was no cost to the Town for that.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Sheila Foote reported the Checking Account balance is \$26,787.56 after the approval of tonight's manifest of \$24,033.98. The January reconciliation report was provided for review.

The Tax Collections Money Market Account balance is \$43,304.51. The January reconciliation report was provided for review.

The Money Market Account balance as of 2/10/17 is \$670,881.34. The January reconciliation report was provided for review.

The Town of Warren's Passbook Savings Account balance is \$71,865.81.

C. Chandler moved to accept and approve the Treasurer's report. Motion seconded by C. Sackett. Voting in favor of the motion were Chandler-yes, Sackett-yes. The motion passed 2-0-0.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

The Tax Collector provided receipts of payments received and lien redemptions for review.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Chief Arthur Heath reported that there were three calls: one at the Glenclyff Home; one on North Groton Rd., and the third was an injured hiker on Mt. Moosilauke.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT: Chief Semertgakis reported that on 1/31, there was a possible report of vandalism on a school bus. On 2/5, he responded to reports of bullet holes in road signs on Moses Rd. He is working on an assault case and has two more interviews to complete. Chief Semertgakis is also following up on a report of a stolen dirt bike from Warren. He is learning more about resources for sexual assault cases, and hoping to attend court prosecutor meetings that are being run out of Campton. He is attending training in Haverhill, and is learning more about adult diversion programs, resources for veterans and continuing to be involved with the restorative justice program.

TRANSFER STATION/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS REPORT:

G. Russell reported that he looked at a baler that is for sale in Franklin. The Town received a partial grant for the purchase of a baler from NH the Beautiful. G. Russell has been helping the Road Agent plow, and is hoping the glass crusher will be delivered the first week in March. The frame is in the paint shop now.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

The Town Administrator met with Sam Greene and Vicky Ayer from DRA. They have been reviewing our files on Current Use, Land Use Change Tax, Exemptions and Credits. They have also been reviewing the measuring and listing of properties completed by our appraisal company. Reports will be sent out with suggestions and recommendations. Vicky will be our rep for our DRA as the areas have been re-designated.

No other departments were represented at the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. The Town Administrator will follow up with the assessor regarding Land Use Change Tax applications that we should have on file.
- b. The Board will have the Town Reports to deliver on Tuesday, March 7th.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. The small attendance at the budget hearing for the town and school was discussed. The Board discussed the veteran's exemption expansion warrant article for town meeting. The Town Administrator will ensure that the appropriate language is in the warrant article, as well as DRA once they have approved it. The Town Administrator will follow up with the assessor to review this potential impact on taxes and be prepared with some information for Town Meeting.
- c. Intent to Cut - None
- d. Report of Cut – 16-465-09 T. Map 247/001; Owners – John and Carolyn Booth; Logger – Todd Bixby

CORRESPONDENCE: The Board reviewed correspondence.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION

Motion by C. Chandler, seconded by D. Clancey that the Board of Selectmen enter into a non-public

session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3, for the purpose of discussing issues, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person, other than a member of this board. Vote: Chandler–yes, Clancey–yes, Sackett–yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board entered into a non-public session at 5:35 PM.

CONCLUSION OF NON-PUBLIC SESSION

Motion by D. Clancey, seconded by C. Chandler that the Board of Selectmen exit non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3. Vote: Chandler–yes, Sackett–yes, Clancey–yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

Motion by D. Clancey, seconded by C. Chandler that the Board of Selectmen seal the minutes of the non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 for forty years. Vote: Sackett–yes, Chandler–yes, Clancey–yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board ended the non-public session at 5:55 PM.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Board again discussed the state of Beech Hill Road, and whether it was prudent to repave it or return the road to gravel. The Board agreed that they would create a warrant article and bring it to a vote at Town Meeting. C. Sackett stated that the residents could decide what they wanted to have happen to their roads. C. Chandler motioned to include a warrant article at Town Meeting to “see if the Town will vote to allow the Selectboard to explore the possibility of returning Beech Hill, Pine Hill and Swain Hill to gravel, in order to save on future maintenance costs”. The wording could be amended with input from DRA. D. Clancey seconded the motion. *Vote: Sackett–yes, Chandler–yes, Clancey–yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.*

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS:

3-14-2017, Town Meeting, Tuesday at Town Hall, 9:00 AM

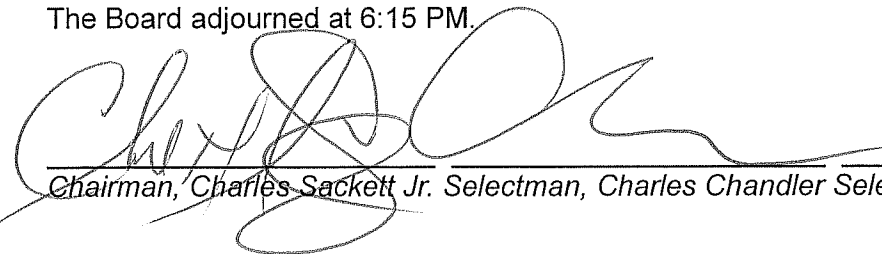
3-15-2017, Regular Select Board Meeting, Wednesday at 5:00 PM, Town Office

3-29-2017, Round Table Meeting, Wednesday at Town Hall, 6:30 PM (Grafton County Regional Economic Development)

ADJOURN:

C. Chandler moved that the Selectmen adjourn regular meeting of the Board. The motion was seconded by C. Sackett. Voting in favor of the motion were Sackett–yes, Chandler–yes, Clancey–yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board adjourned at 6:15 PM.



Chairman, Charles Sackett Jr. Selectman, Charles Chandler Selectman, Daniel Clancey