

APPROVED

**WARREN
BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, January 18, 2017**

GRAFTON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION: Chairman Sackett recognized Chris Wellington, a representative of the Grafton Regional Development Corporation, prior to the opening of the regular meeting. Mr. Wellington stated we are a financial and preferred lender for small businesses and municipalities. We provide technology assistance and workshop programs at the Enterprise Center in Plymouth. There is another center at Dartmouth College. Last year there were 24 workshops. The Association is a funding source and assists with grants under the Community Development Growth Grants. The first step is to work with the Town to develop a 10-15 year strategy. C. Chandler stated a round table meeting would be good to get town residents on focusing on economic growth. He explained to Mr. Wellington what a round table was about and asked Mr Wellington if he was willing to come. Mr. Wellington said yes and he would serve as the moderator. The round table is scheduled for March 29, 2017 at 6:30 PM in the Town Hall. C. Sackett thanked Mr. Wellington for coming and presenting the information.

CALL TO ORDER:

Charles Sackett called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM.

Charles Sackett led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States.

Selectmen Present: Charles Sackett and Charles Chandler.

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

Public Present: Charles Doyce, Lesa Romano, Victoria Saucier, John Lester, and Brenda Branchi.

SELECT BOARD MANIFEST:

C. Chandler motioned for approval of the manifest as presented. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler–yes and Sackett–yes. The motion passed 2-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

C. Chandler moved to approve the 1-4-2017 minutes as presented. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler–yes and Sackett–yes. The motion passed 2-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

a. John Lester announced an event scheduled for February 4th with a snow date of March 4th. Brenda Branchi said there will be a huge event in May, which is being marketed by Z-Rock. John Lester said they had future plans to build a shower house. C. Sackett asked why they don't use the campground in Town. John Lester replied, because the owners of the campground do not want his participants in the campground. They go to Plymouth or Lincoln for accommodations. Some stay on site at the event property. The participants are very

responsible said Brenda. John Lester said they need a letter of access as before for the February event. He also said all participants are being notified of the gasoline availability.

b. Don Bagley showed C. Sackett the old pictures, since he was not present at the last meeting. C. Sackett agreed with the choice of the other selectmen, that was of Bailey's Tavern, now known as the "Rustic Gatherings" to be used on the front cover of the Town Report. Don Bagley reported the 2017 – 2018 school budget was coming in the same as or lower than last year.

c. C. Sackett announced a new Board of Directors for the Warren/Wentworth Ambulance Service. The new board members include three from Warren: Charles Sackett – Chair, Pat Wilson and Randy Witcher -board members and two from Wentworth, Francis Muzzey and Tim Mihear – board members. They plan to complete the Services report in time to have them for the towns Town Reports. C. Sackett said a major goal of the new board is to get the resident's trust back from both towns. C. Sackett reminded all that Mr. Steven Czarnecki is still the manager of the Warren/Wentworth Ambulance Service, as well as, Robert Clay as the Financial Manager. C. Sackett reported there would be an open house some time in the future.

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Sheila Foote reported the Checking Account balance is \$10,639.43 after tonight's approved manifest of \$20,056.00. The December reconciliation report is provided for the Board's review.

The Tax Collections Money Market Account balance is \$35,366.36. The December reconciliation report is provided for the Board's review.

The Town of Warren's Money Market Account balance is \$558,804.48. The December reconciliation report is provided for the Board's review.

The Town of Warren's Passbook Savings Account balance is \$70,263.81.

Paul Mercer .town auditor, was in the office on January 17th to do the preliminary audit of the town accounts.

C. Chandler motioned for approval of the Treasurer's report. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler–yes and Sackett–yes. The motion passed 2-0.

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT:

B. Cass reported problem at the town's sand pile. People are coming in and loading the back of their truck with sand and then sanding peoples driveways at a charge. C. Sackett said you need to put a stop to that problem. B. Cass said he already has, but he wanted the Selectmen to know. He said he didn't mind individuals who needed to sand their own driveways.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

The tax collector's report was reviewed by the Board.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Chief Art Heath reported one call to assist Warren/Wentworth Ambulance Service to lift a patient from the second floor.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT:

Chief John Semertgakis reported a domestic dispute on Studio Road on January 2nd. He had a report of a tall man with a knife trying to break into the police cruiser on January 8th. He responded to a call on Rt. 118 of a girl trying too commit suicide. The Chief investigated a report of a break in of a summer cabin on Rt.118 during a two week span. The only thing found missing were 357 gun ammo, but not the gun. There were other items broken. The Chief was asked about the status of the new police cruiser. He stated he wasn't finished with his research and he was reminded of the timeline for submission of warrant articles.

TRANSFER STATION/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS REPORT:

G. Russell stated he had to have the oil burner on the furnace repaired for a cost of \$2,100.00. Whitcher has said he will accept a combination of tin cans and scrap metal at his facility. All the refrigerators have been shipped out. G. Russell said he will be posting new signs.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:

Town Administrator, Judy Tautenhan noted DRA will do a file review and issue a report with recommendations.

No other departments were represented at the meeting

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Warrant Article Review - C. Sackett and C. Chandler made a preliminary review of Article 12 through 24 with participation of other members of the Town Administration. Final review will be at the next meeting on February 1st with a full Board in attendance. The deadline for submission of warrant articles is February 7th.
- b. 2017 Town Report Cover - Covered under Public Comments.
- c. Warren/Wentworth Ambulance Service - Covered under Public Comments.
- d. SEC Petition – State overruled.
- e. Town Hall Rental Agreement - *Motion by C. Chandler to approve the Town Hall Rental Agreement, seconded by C. Sackett. Vote: Chandler – yes and Sackett-yes. The motion passed 2-0. D. Bagley called point of order, when is the agreement effective. C. Sackett said today.*

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Intent to Cut - None
- b. Report of Cut - None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

None

OTHER BUSINESS

None

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS:

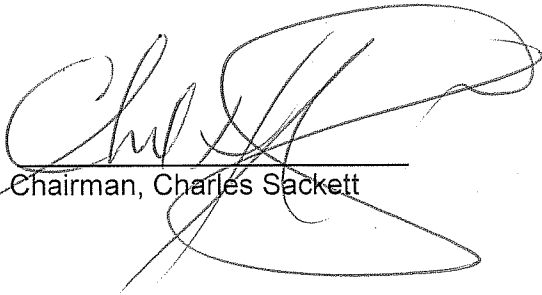
- 2-01-2017, Community Lunch, Wednesday,
- 2-01-2017, Regular Select Board Meeting, Wednesday at 5:00 PM, Town Offices.
- 2-07-2017, Last day to submit Warrant Articles for Town Meeting

2-14-2017, Joint School/Town Budget Hearing, Tuesday, at 5:00 PM, at WVS. Town goes first.
2-15-2017, Regular Select Board Meeting, Wednesday at 5:00 PM, Town Offices.
3-01-2017, Regular Select Board Meeting, Wednesday at 5:00 PM, Town Offices.
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 Offices.
3-29-2017, Round Table Meeting, Wednesday at Town Hall, 6:30 PM (Grafton County
Regional Economic Development)

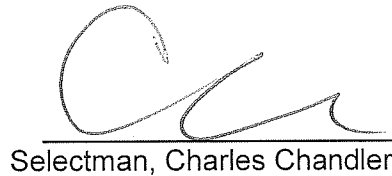
ADJOURN:

C. Chandler motioned that the Selectmen adjourn the regular meeting of the Board. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler–yes and Sackett –yes. The motion passed 2-0.

The Board adjourned at 6:40 PM.



Chairman, Charles Sackett



Selectman, Charles Chandler