

APPROVED

**WARREN BOARD OF
SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, July 3, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Sackett called the meeting to order at 5:00 **PM**.

Select Board Members Present: Charles Sackett, Charles Chandler, and Lesa Romano.

Staff/Officials Present: Town Administrator —Austin Albro, Treasurer - Sheila Foote, Fire Chief - Art Heath, Chair Warren School Board / Deputy Fire Chief - Don Bagley Sr., Emergency Management Officer - Janice Sackett, and Chief of Police, John Semertgakis. Transfer Station/Buildings & Grounds Manager - George Russell was not present for the meeting, but submitted a written report.

Public Present: Donna Hopkins, Torn Babbit, Emily Clark, Jane Stedwad, Sylvia and Robert Newton, John Newton, and Joe Monninger.

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

SELECT BOARD MANIFEST: C. Chandler stated he noticed the request from the Old Home Days Committee for the release of their funds in the amount of \$9,200.00 did not include the cost justification sheet as requested by the Board in the past. *Therefore, C. Chandler moved approval of the manifest as presented, but to instruct the Treasurer and the Town Administrator to hold the check until the Old Home Days Committee's finance officer, Charlene Kennedy provides the justification sheet to the Board. L Romano seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler-yes, Sackett-yes, and Romano-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

L Romano moved approving the 6-20-2018 minutes as amended. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Sackett-yes, Chandler-yes and Romano-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

a. Tom Babbit, President of the ATV Club, provided an update of the work the club is doing in the Warren area. He said there is more work to be done on the Old Glenclyff Road. The project is in three parts, but it is open for traffic. Letters have been sent out letters to all property owners letting them know. Mr. Babbit asked if the Board wanted a scope of work on the Town Road. The response was yes. Mr. Babbit presented the ATV lease to the Selectboard for annual approval. C. Chandler stated the agreement is basically the same as last year. Mr. Babbit said yes, except for Item 9: changes to the lease agreement and Item 17: involves an agreement with Wentworth. *C. Chandler moved to approve the ATV Club's work plans. Seconded by C. Sackett. Voting in favor of the motion were Sackett-yes, Chandler-yes, and Romano-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.*

b. Joe Monninger addressed the Board about the excessive noise and traffic caused by the Mountain Mud Run events. He stated that there was a previous agreement made in 2008 that specified certain rules and guidelines. He said the property across from the Town owned trail was used as a camp ground. Now he said, there are all types of vehicles going up and down the trail; pick-up trucks, cars, trailers, ATV's, and large trucks, all producing fumes and dust. Mr. Monninger asked if there was a way to reduce the amount of noise from the participants and the spectators to the mud run events. C. Sackett said you are not the only person complaining. We had a number of people at the

last meeting and we have received telephone calls, expressing the same complaint. C. Chandler stated, if we changed the situation or established an ordinance to control the activities in the Town, it would be done at Town Meeting. C. Sackett added that it should be accomplished with a ballot vote. C. Chandler asked Mr. Monninger if he has seen or heard any activity, such as, noise from a large vehicles. L. Romano said they are using busses to shuttle people back and forth to the activity site. Mr. Mon finger asked Chief Semertgakis if he was on site at these activities. The Chief said no, that the mud run events have their own security. For both events, he is available for police assistance, if needed. He is normally doing traffic control and doing Town patrol, which is a more cost effective use of his time.

c. Janice Sackett announced Richard Kuetoff from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will be here to meet with herself and the Road Agent. B. Cass to discuss and hopefully receive permits.

d. Don Bagley Sr. said there is trouble in the cemetery and the field with vandals driving trucks and cars around wildly, destroying turf. He has put the incident on Facebook with the hope that someone knows a little bit more of the details. If you have any information, you may contact Don Bagley Sr., Police Chief — John Semertgakis, or the Town Administrator — Austin Albro.

e. Don Bagley Sr., Chair of Warren Village School, said he had talked with the SAU 23 Finance Officer and she stated the Town school payment of \$110,000.00 at this time.

f. Robert, Sylvia, and John Newton came to tonight's Select Board meeting to find out the decision on the fireworks. C. Sackett said no decision has been made, as the Town Administrator is still collecting information to make an analysis and prepare a report. In addition, the subject areas have expanded to include new concerns. Don Bagley Sr. said he is tired of hearing 4-wheelers going by his house with no license. He is also tired of hearing chain saws going off early on Sunday mornings. Donna Hopkins stated there are people coming up from out of state just to see these fireworks. C. Chandler asked Tom Babbit what are the state laws governing ATV operation time. He stated they could ride ^{1/2} hour before sunrise and ^{1/2} hour after sunset. C. Sackett said the big picture for the Town is consider anything and everything. He said Mr. Newton, I do hear and understand your concerns, but it is not an easy flip the switch up, now flip it down. In all likelihood this issue would go to the Town Meeting for a ballot vote.

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS REPORTS:

ROAD AGENT REPORT:

Road Agent Bobby Cass reported he has the 1989 John Deere grader for a test period prior to purchase. He said it runs good for the age and it has 3500 hours on it, since the re-work. He said he did replace the hydraulic line. The total price is \$27,000.00. There will be two payments of \$13,500.00 each. The cost of repairing the old grader would be \$38,000,00. C. *Chandler moved to acquire the 1989 John Deere Grader for \$27,000.00 to be in two payments of \$13,500.00 each. Seconded by L. Romano. Voting in favor of the motion were Sackett-yes, Chandler-yes, and Romano-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0. The old grader will be sold by the Town with listing on Craigslist.*

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer, Sheila Foote reported the Checking Account balance is **\$14,375.85**, after tonight's approved manifest of **\$147,623.33**.

The Tax Collections Money Market Account balance is **\$17,366.00**.

The Town of Warren's Money Market Account balance is **\$561,867.41**.

The Town of Warren's Passbook Savings Account balance is **\$152,030.84**.

We have received from FEMA \$70,822.16.

We have received the 2018 Annual **PILT** Grant in the amount of \$48,822.00

We have received the 2018 Annual Cable TV Franchise fee in the amount of \$6,037.21,

C. Chandler moved to accept and approve the Treasurer's report. Seconded by C. Sackett. Voting in favor of the motion were Sackett-yes, Chandler-yes, and Romano-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

The Tax Collector provided a report to the Board for review.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT: Fire Chief Heath reported three calls in this reporting period. The first was a false alarm from the Glenclyff Home. The second was responding and assisting the ambulance service with a motorcycle accident. The third occurred on July 2nd and involved a call about smoke on the mountain. It involved a number of hours searching for the source of the smoke and also included the Forest Service. The smoke and fire was located in Eagles Nest. It involved burning without a permit and violating burning guidelines for outside fires.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT: Chief John Semertgakis stated there were dogs loose in Wentworth and they were returned home in Warren. There was an abandoned motor vehicle left at Moose Scoops. The owner returned the next day to retrieve it. There were loose horses on Rt. 25 at the Ambulance Center. The owner was called to come get them. An alarm was activated on Old Country Road, a family member set it off accidentally.

The Chief investigated a missing child from Simmons Road, a female child walked off; she came home a short time later. A dirt bike single vehicle collision at Rock Pile Motor sports, involving minor injuries, transported to Speare Hospital. Domestic disturbance on Simmons Road, the calling party was kicked out of the home. Rt.118 break -ins; he will be doing a safety check with the owner from Connecticut.

State Police responded to the following calls while Chief Semertgakis was at training 1) motor vehicle collision at 7-11 parking lot 2) suspicious person on Rt, 118 and 3) a hang up call from Mountain Meadow Road.

Beckett School Update: Mr. Russell's stolen truck was found in Franklin, NH. One of the two students, who had stolen the truck confessed to the theft. The Chief considers one of the student's from the previous case as a suspect in the AppleKnockers theft and vandalism case. The Director of the Beckett School in Warren will attend the next Select Board meeting on July 17th. The Chief has talked with Melanie from NH DJD (Department of Juvenile Detention), who oversees the policies, rules, and operation of Juvenile Detention Centers

Traffic stops 18 Citations issued 3.

TRANSFER STATION/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS REPORT:

Manager, George Russell was not at the meeting, but provided a written report.

Transfer Station: Manager, George Russell reported a frequency drive was ordered for the baler. He is looking into a new vendor for hauling MSW and working on disposal of waste oil.

Buildings & Grounds: Manager, George Russell reported a computer/internet pipe was installed between the Town Office and the Historical Society buildings. He is mowing as needed. All mowing and weed whacking will be completed before Old Home Days. G. Russell said furnace cleanings are scheduled for July 1P.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT: Town Administrator, Austin Albro, reported, as follows:

- a. He has heard from the Transfer Station Manager, G. Russell that C. M. Whitcher Rubbish Removal LLC, Chris Whitcher owner and operator planned to discontinue services to the Town of Warren. This information is not official, as the Town has not received a letter, stating as much. Mr. Albro confirmed his office has been informed that Mr. Whitcher has removed equipment from the Town Transfer Station and Common. C. Chandler asked if the Town has a written contract with Chris Whitcher for his company's services. No one seemed to know for sure. A. Albro was given the task to confirm whether we do or do not have a current contract. There was discussion about C. M, Whitcher Rubbish Removal, LLC. C. Sackett stated when Chris started the company the State of NH designated it as an official Central Transfer Station for waste materials because they had the required equipment and facilities and necessary, qualified employees to serve as such. C. Sackett explained that there are only a few waste processing and disposal facilities remaining in the state. Because of that, the state has designated official Central Transfer Stations for waste materials of which C. M. Whitcher Rubbish Removal, LLC is one. It was noted that Whitcher's is a private facility, licensed by the state.
- b. A. Albro said he met with the Assessor this week, who has been very helpful with responding to his questions and e-mails.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Dog Licensure — the Town Clerk has provided the Board with a list of 45 dog owners, who have not licensed their dog or dogs this year. The owners will be notified and follow up if necessary.
- b. Intent to Cut
18-465- Map/Lot 233/37, Owner - James Tremblay: Logger - Adam Patten

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Grader — Covered under Road Agent report.
- b. Meeting with Beckett House - Covered under Chief of Police report.
- c. Summer Dance Class — The Instructor requested to change the day of the week to Friday. The Board said no, because it is considered part of the week end. Special events are booked during the week end. C. Chandler asked if they had the insurance. The response was yes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. A. Albro stated he had received an e-mail from a gentleman, who has a house on Rt. 118 There was some discussion. C. Chandler asked A. Albro to respond.
- b. A. Albro stated he received correspondence from Jodie O'Callaghan, asking for reimbursement of funds paid on work for flood. C. Chandler said she paid the vendor, and then comes in to ask for reimbursement for work not directly related to the well issue. C. Chandler asked A. Albro to respond advising her of the criteria established for these well loans.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

COMING MEETINGS & EVENTS:

Select Board meeting, July 17, 2018 at the Town Offices, 5:00 PM

School Board Meeting, June 12, 2018, 5:30 PM at WVS

NON-PUBLIC SESSION #1:

Motion by C. Chandler, seconded by L. Romano 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, Romano—yes, Sackett—yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board entered into a non-public session at 6:45 PM.

CONCLUSION OF NON-PUBLIC SESSION #1:

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

The Board ended non-public session at 7:00 PM. C. Chandler stated, let the minutes show that no decision or action was taken as a result of discussion.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION #2:

Motion by C. Chandler, seconded by L. Romano 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, Romano-yes, Sackett-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board entered into a non-public session at 7:15 PM.

CONCLUSION OF NON-PUBLIC SESSION #2:

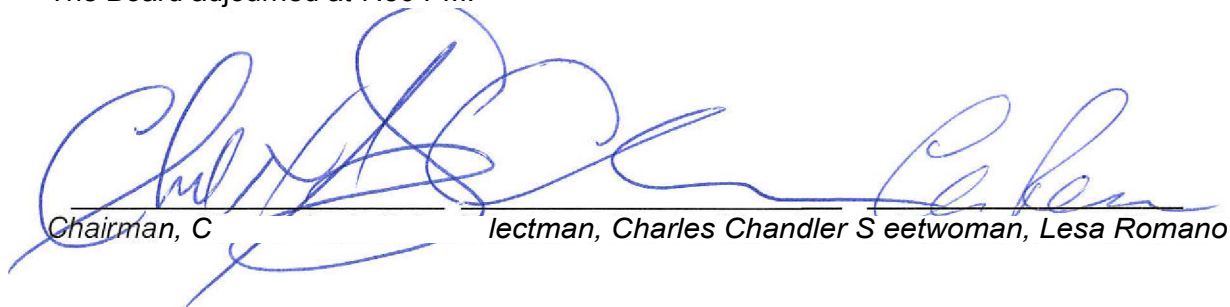
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The Board ended non-public session at 7:40 PM. C. Chandler stated, let the minutes show that no decision or action was taken as a result of discussion.

ADJOURN:

C. Chandler moved the adjournment of the regular meeting of the Select Board. The motion was seconded by C. Sackett. Voting in favor of the motion were Sackett-yes, Romano-yes, and Chandler — yes. No one opposed. The motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board adjourned at 7:50 PM.



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