#### **APPROVED**

# WARREN BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, February 27, 2019

#### **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, Chief of Police – John Semertgakis, Transfer Station/Buildings & Grounds Manager - George Russell, and Deputy Fire Chief and Chair WVSB - Don Bagley Sr. Road Agent- Bobby Cass was not at the meeting, but provided a written report.

Public Present: None present

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

**SELECT BOARD MANIFEST:** After reviewing the manifest, C. Chandler moved approval of the manifest as presented. L. Romano seconded the motion. Vote: Sackett-yes, Chandler -yes and Romano-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** C. Chandler moved approval of the 1-30-2019 minutes and to table the 2-13-2019 until the next meeting. L. Romano seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler -yes, Sackett-yes, and Romano-yes. The motion passed 3-0 0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT: None** 

#### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer, Sheila Foote reported the Town of Warren Operating Account balance is \$328,174.01 after tonight's approved manifest total of \$139,026.60.

The Tax Collections Account balance is \$125,813.78.

S. Foote stated the taxpayers of Warren have done an outstanding job and approximately 85% of the last tax bill has been paid.

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

#### **ROAD AGENT:**

Road Agent Bobby Cass stated there has been a few breakdowns with the one ton; brakes, plow cables and the EGR cooler. All have been fixed, and the one ton is running and back on the road.

B. Cass said he has been pushing back the snow with the back hoe and dump truck to keep the snow out of the roads and maintain clear visibility at intersections, allowing for more snow. Next week Clark's will be here to service the big truck, under warranty.

#### TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

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

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Fire Chief Heath reported there were two false fire alarms at the Glencliff Home. There was a structure fire that is under investigation. The FD responded to two motor vehicle accidents.

#### CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT:

Chief John Semertgakis reported a disabled motor vehicle, car stuck in the snow going up Rt 118. A structure fire on Weeks Road, being investigating as an arson. Disabled motor vehicle, car stuck in a snow bank on Rt. 25. The Chief performed a VIN verification on Stinson Road.

The Chief responded to a juvenile issue on Lund Lane. He responded to a single vehicle roll over on Rt. 25, with minor injuries, transported to Speare Hospital. Motor vehicle complaint, Rt 118, parking near Ravine Lodge access road. Chief Semertgakis issued a number of citations to vehicles parked illegally but no one was towed and everyone was gone by dark.

Traffic Stops: 28 Citations Issued:19

#### TRANSFER STATION/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS REPORT:

The Manager, George Russell provided following report;

<u>Transfer Station:</u> The baler motor is repaired and will be in operation soon. G. Russell announced AppleKnocker's has donated paint and primer, some of which will be used by the Town. The rest is also available, for free, to Warren residents upon request.

<u>Buildings & Grounds:</u> G. Russell reported he has been busy helping with snow removal.

#### **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:**

- a. The CHAD Safe & Activity Community Grant was awarded to the Town of Warren. Parks & Recreation will receive 50 bicycle helmets and will organize an event in the spring.
- b. Austin Albro said that R.C. Brayshaw, who prints the Town Reports, will be delivering the reports early next week and an effort will be made to deliver the reports to residents in Town. They can also be picked up at the Town Office during regular business hours.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

a. Intent to Cut:

Map 228/Lot 023, Owner: Sharon O'Neil, Logger: Chris Whitcher. Administrator Albro asked that the Board table the discussion regarding the intent to cut, until he has made contact with the property owner to clear up a few questions on the required paperwork.

b. PSU Community Based Resiliency Study: Brian Eisenhaur, a professor at Plymouth State contacted the Town Administrator, after his senior level capstone class expressed interest in preparing a Community Based Resiliency Study for Warren. The class will examine environmental concerns, such as the Town's susceptibility to storms and climate change. The Select Board supported the project.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. FEMA Updates:
  - i \$96,244 Work completed on town roads. The amount is set.
  - ii. \$62,988 Representing Week's
  - iii. \$29,250 Representing Ore Hill
  - vi. \$24,526 Representing Studio Road Bridge Retaining Wall

H&H studies were submitted to FEMA 2/25/2019. This will move Week's and Ore Hill to the next step of review. The amounts do not include 75% of \$6,550 for the H&H studies, which is allegedly eligible for reimbursement.

October - \$49,373 to come for the River. A. Albro expects this amount represents the absolute maximum we will receive.

b. Current Use: The 2/21 meeting with DRA was postponed due to inclement weather.

**OTHER BUSINESS: None** 

**CORRESPONDENCE**: None

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

Tuesday, March 12, 2019, Town Meeting, 9:00 A.M. @ Town Hall Wednesday, March 13, 2019, Select Board Meeting, 5:00 P.M. @ Town Office

## NON-PUBLIC SESSION: None

### **ADJOURN:**

C. Chandler moved the adjournment of the regular meeting of the Select Board. The motion was 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 Board adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Chairman, Charles Sackett Jr. Selectman, Charles Chandler Selectwoman, Lesa Romano