## **APPROVED**

# WARREN BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, May 22, 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, Road Agent- Bobby Cass, Fire Chief - Art Heath, Chief of Police – John Semertgakis, and Deputy Fire Chief and Chair WVSB - Don Bagley Sr. Transfer Station/Buildings & Grounds Manager - George Russell was not at the meeting, but provided a written report.

**Public Present:** Shirley McCartin, Donna Hopkins, Mervin Newton, Tom Babbit, and John and Brenda Lester.

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

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

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** C. Chandler moved to approve the 5-8-2019 minutes as presented. L. Romano seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler -yes, Sackett-yes, and Romano-yes. The motion passed 3-0 0.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT:

- a. Mervin Newton discussed the current reach of the South Main Water District. He asked if the Town had intentions of expanding the district.
- b. John and Brenda Lester reported they had a really great mud run activity this past weekend. They had approximately 1,900 people from multiple countries. B. Cass said he heard loud noises after the cut off time from his home. Mr. Lester explained they had some participants arrive late and made some noise unloading vehicles and rigs. John and Brenda asserted this was not anticipated and will not occur at the next event.
- c. Don Bagley Sr stated that some of the trees and shrubbery in the cemeteries were removed because they were dying. Additionally, the flags were set in advance of Memorial Day.

d. Tom Babbit announced the ATV grants have been approved. They plan to have the trail over the dam completed by Old Home Days. They have received two tons of calcium for dust mediation. The trails are not yet open. They will re-evaluate the condition of the trails in a week. Tom said the club has posted closure signage along many areas on the trail.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer, Sheila Foote reported the Town of Warren Operating Account balance is **\$127,174.33** after tonight's approved manifest total of \$44,338.18. The April reconciliation report was provided for the Select Board's review.

The Tax Collections Account balance is **\$143,966.05**. The April reconciliation report was provided for the Select Board's review.

Mrs. Foote reported property tax bills are beginning to come in.

C. Chandler moved to accept and approve 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 reported all equipment is serviced and ready for work. C. Chandler asked if bidders have been notified of the results. B. Cass responded yes, they have. Work has started on Batchelder Brook Road.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

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

# TRANSFER STATION/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS REPORT:

The Transfer Station and Buildings & Grounds Manager, George Russell, provided the Select Board a written report.

<u>Transfer Station:</u> The Manager reported he was almost caught up on baling cardboard. We have baled 4 bales. We will soon be recycling plastic. Start date to be determined after we send out a flier.

<u>Buildings & Grounds:</u> The Manager reported the closet and electrical work in the lobby of the Town Offices has been completed. He started the mowing season last week. He plans on having everything mowed for the week end, depending on the weather.

## **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:**

a. Austin Albro said the \$110,000 was removed from the Paving Expendable Fund as a result of the last Selectboard meeting.

- b. Austin Albro said there is a one day conference sponsored by PRIMEX and he plans to attend.
- c. Administrator Albro presented the approved NHEC pole license for signature by the Select Board.
- d. Administrator Albro presented the previously approved tax abatement for Eric and Margaret Jones, Map 205/Lot 020 for signature by the Select Board.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Intent to Cut Owner: Gilbert and Margaret Hedstrom; Logger: Jim Pitre. C. Chandler had some concerns with the current condition of Old Glencliff Road and may ask the Town to require a bond from the logger. He said in order to get to the logging site the logger must pass over the bridge at Breezy Point off of Rt.118 in addition to a much smaller wooden bridge on Old Glencliff Road. Mr. Pitre was asked if he had insurance that would cover any possible damages. Mr. Pitre replied yes, he has general liability insurance. There was a discussion on size and weight of the proposed logging equipment and vehicles. C. Chandler asked Mr. Pitre if he could supply the Town with a list of equipment that will be traveling to the logging site. He said yes, he would be glad to but his concerns are delay in start date of the work.
- C. Chandler moved to table discussion on the intent to cut for owner Hedstrom and Logger Pitre under the following conditions; Mr. Pitre provide measurements and weight of his equipment to be analyzed by the Department of Transportation and Road Agent Cass. C. Sackett seconded the motion. C. Chandler requested the Town Administrator to obtain a copy of Mr. Pitre's insurance policy. Voting in favor of the motion were Sackett-yes. Chandler-yes and Romano-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.
- b. Intent to Cut Owner: Whitman and Suzanne Haselton; Logger: Michael Clark; Map/Lot 232/45 &46. *C. Chandler motioned to accept and approve the application Seconded by L. Romano . Voting in favor of the motion were Sackett-yes. Chandler-yes and Romano-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.*

**OLD BUSINESS: None** 

**OTHER BUSINESS: None** 

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Nothing requiring action.

# **UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

Wednesday, June 5, 2019, Select Board Meeting, 5:00 PM @ Town Office Tuesday, June 10, 2019, WVSB Meeting, 6:00 PM @ School Library Wednesday, June 19, 2019, Select Board Meeting, 5:00 PM @ Town Office

# **NON-PUBLIC SESSION:**

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 and Sackett-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board entered into a non-public session at 6:05 PM.

# **CONCLUSION NON-PUBLIC SESSION:**

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

The Board ended the non-public session at 6:35 PM.

#### 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 6:40 PM.

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