#### **APPROVED**

# WARREN BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, August 14, 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, Emergency Management Manager, Janice Sackett Treasurer - Sheila Foote, Fire Chief - Art Heath, Chief of Police – John Semertgakis. Road Agent- Bobby Cass and Transfer Station/Buildings & Grounds Manager - George Russell were not at the meeting, but provided written reports.

Public Present: Merv Newton, John & Brenda Lester, Tom Babbit and Shirley McCartin.

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

**SELECT BOARD MANIFEST:** C. Chandler moved approval of the manifest. 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 to approve the 7-31-2019 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. Merv Newton presented the Board of Selectmen with information from an Iowa State University study about using railroad flat cars for low volume road bridges.
- b. Brenda Lester complimented the Transfer Station Manager on the appearance and efficiency of operations. Mrs. Lester stated that last weekend was the Music and Arts Festival. They had an increase in attendance from last year's event. John Lester announced the Mountain Mud Run Fall Edition will be the weekend of August 24 & 25, 2019. He said there will be some large vehicles but not as many as the spring event.
- c. Tom Babbit shared he had applied calcium treatments to the trails that needed it the most to keep down the dust. He has been working on Old Glencliff Road and the club hopes to do more next year. They are trying to connect the rail trail from the Fish Hatchery to Wentworth. Mr. Babbit also shared that there will be new trails constructed

this summer. He said the main objective is to get ATV riders away from the roads as a primary safety goal.

# **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT:**

Emergency Management Director, Janice Sackett reported she had recently talked with Paul Hatch from NH Homeland Security. The Town will be receiving a determination memo from FEMA stating that the Town will not receive any reimbursement from FEMA for the 2017 Baker River dredging project. Mrs. Sackett suggested the Board of Selectmen request a meeting with Paul Hatch, Jennifer Harper, HSEM and others to discuss the Determination Memo.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer, Sheila Foote reported the Town of Warren Operating Account balance is **\$558,673.17** after tonight's approved manifest total of \$16,871.61. The July reconciliation report was provided to the Board for their review.

The Tax Collections Account balance is **\$205,735.49**. The July reconciliation report was provided to the Board for their review.

The Treasurer will be away from August 20 through September 1st, 2019. The Deputy Treasurer will cover the office at her convenience, during her absence.

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 provided the Select Board a written report stating, he has been hauling winter sand. He set skidder decks on Old Glencliff Road Bridge and added gravel for the logger. B. Cass said he has been regularly observing the condition of Old Glencliff Road. He stated he is still waiting on R&D for getting things together and start the work. He has started cleaning ditches on Beech Hill Road.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

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

## FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief, Art Heath said there was a fire run on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup> to Glencliff and another on Sunday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. Chief Heath said they are working on the hydrant at the bridge on the Warren/Wentworth town line. He announced they had a new member, Jeffery Peale. Mr. Peale is level 2 qualified.

## CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT:

Chief John Semertgakis reported a puppy was struck and killed by a motor vehicle on Rt 25 in Glencliff. There was a road rage incident on Chase Road; verbal argument between motorists. Welfare check on Rt. 118. Civil standby on Rt. 118; no issues.

Domestic Disturbance on Lund Lane. Trespass, Lake Tarleton Road; report of person not wanted on property. VIN verification, Robb's Lane. 911 Hang-up, Batchelder Brook Road; false alarm. State Police responded to a noise complaint on Rabbit Run Road, loud party. VIN Verification, Vincelette Lane. Animal complaint, Eagles Nest; report of "bear dogs" loose on private property, picked up by owner, forwarded to Fish & Game. State Police responded to a hit and run motor vehicle collision at a local restaurant.

Motor vehicle stops 27 Citations issued 2

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

The Manager, George Russell provided the Select Board a written report.

<u>Transfer Station:</u> G. Russell reported they received a grant for \$1,800.00 from NH the Beautiful to go towards the purchase of a 40 foot storage container for cardboard.

Since the last report we have baled 2-cardboard, 1- plastic and 1-aluminum can bales. An area in the recycling building has been cleared for electronics to be put in Gaylord boxes for shipment.

<u>Buildings & Grounds:</u> G. Russell reported the door to the Fire Department has been replaced. He replaced loose boards on Town Hall deck and walkway ramp. G. Russell will look into an estimated cost to replace the deck and walkway. He stated some boards and stringers are in tough shape. Still mowing as needed.

#### **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:**

- a. Austin Albro reported he had sent letters to loggers who did not file a report of cut due earlier in 2019.
- b. Austin Albro met with Vicky Ayer from DRA. She picked up property cards cyclical monitoring.
- c. Austin Albro stated he will be meeting with UNHCE to discuss business development in Warren.

#### **New Business:**

a. No Report Letters for Timber Intent – Addressed in Administrator Report.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** A discount of \$900.00 was received from PRIMEX as a rebate for workers compensation and property liability insurance.

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

Wednesday, August 28, 2019, Select Board Meeting, 5:00 PM @ Town Office

Tuesday, September 10, 2019, Warren Village School Board Meeting, 6:00 PM, Lib. Wednesday, September 31, 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 5:30 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 5:50 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 5:53 PM.

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