#### **APPROVED**

# WARREN BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, September 11, 2019

# **CALL TO ORDER:**

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

**Select Board Members Present:** Charles Sackett and Charles Chandler. Lesa Romano arrived later in the meeting.

**Staff/Officials Present:** Town Administrator – Austin Albro, 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 a written report

**Public Present:** Shirley McCartin, Merv Newton, Donna Hopkins, Johnathan Teft, and Chuck Eddy.

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

**SELECT BOARD MANIFEST:** C. Chandler moved approval of the manifest. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Sackett-yes and Chandler -yes. The motion passed 2-0. The motion passed by majority.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** C. Chandler stated the approval of the 10-28-2019 minutes will be postponed until the next board meeting, providing everyone the opportunity to review them.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- a. Merv Newton said there are bushes and shrubs growing into the sidewalk, as well as bushes blocking the view of oncoming traffic on Pine Hill Road. C. Sackett stated that Mr. Newton's concerns would be discussed.
- b. A discussion ensued involving the library and abutter's boundary pins.

## TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer, Sheila Foote reported the Town of Warren Operating Account balance is **\$478,704.19** after tonight's approved manifest total of \$136,085.51.

The Tax Collections Account balance is \$206,832.17.

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 until yesterday when the block wall gave way in the sand shed. He has been working on and rebuilding the sheds for the past two days. The Road Agent said on Monday he got four new snow tires for the big truck. He will start getting things ready for winter.

# 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 pump malfunction. They responded to a motor vehicle accident in Glencliff. There was a report of wires down in a tree. Chief Heath said there will be a re-certification class coming up soon for all firefighters.

## CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT:

Chief John Semertgakis reported there was an animal complaint of a dog loose on Rt. 25; dog returned to owner. Noise complaint, Rt. 25; dog barking all day, spoke to dog owner., Motor vehicle collision, Rt. 25. Road hazard, Beech Hill Road; vehicle broke down on road, removed by owner., VIN verification, Pleasant View Drive; VIN verification on a trailer.

Suspicious Activity; report out of Bristol PD about a Warren resident driving drunk, not located. A 911 hang-up call, Studio Road; no emergency, misdial. Suspicious person, Rt. 25 Glencliff; report of person loitering around the Willing Workers Hall. Vehicle collision, Station Road, Glencliff; single car accident, subject air lifted to hospital. Grafton Dispatch had this collision reported in Benton. Animal Complaint, Rt. 25; dog in road, returned to owner.

Motor vehicle stops 19 Citations issued 4

C. Chandler expressed concerns about Grafton Dispatch having this auto collision reported in Benton and not in Warren. Chief Semertgakis to follow up.

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

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

<u>Transfer Station:</u> G. Russell reported scrap metal has been cleaned up, baled one plastic and one cardboard bale. G. Russell said he is looking into baling clean tin cans, as tin cans pay more than scrap metal if baled. He also plans to check with the baler

company from whom our baler was purchased to see if our baler has the capability of crushing tin cans.

<u>Buildings & Grounds:</u> G. Russell reported he ordered a new desk for the Treasurer. The new oil contract was presented for review and signature.

#### **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:**

- a. Austin Albro reported the town website has been hacked into from a foreign country. He is working to get it back on-line.
- b. Austin Albro informed the Board he has begun gathering data for the FEMA Appeal for the Baker River Project.
- d. Austin Albro said he will follow up with the frame shop in Woodsville and complete the flag framing project.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Intent to Cut: Owner: Lesa Romano; Logger Joshua King Map 217/002 was signed.
- b. Intent to Cut: Owner: Chuck Eddy; Logger Joshua King Map 244/043 was signed.
- c. MS-1 was completed by Assessor Richard Dorsett for the Board's review and signature.
- d. Fuel Oil Contract: Pemi River Fuels The Board decided to stay with the current contractor Pemi River Fuels. *C. Chandler moved to authorize Board Chairman Chuck Sackett to sign the contract with Pemi River Fuels. Seconded by L. Romano. Voting in favor of the motion were C. Sackett–yes, Chandler-yes, and Romano-yes. C. Sackett abstained from voting. The motion passed 3-0 by majority.*

**OLD BUSINESS:** The Hernandez Land Use Change Tax was resigned due to a error with the map & lot numbers.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

**CORRESPONDENCE**: None

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

Tuesday, October 8, 2019, WVS Board Meeting, 6:00 PM, School Library Wednesday, October 9, 2019, Select Board Meeting, 5:00 PM @ Town Office Monday, October 14, 2019 Willing Workers Meeting, 6:00 PM @ WWH Glencliff Wednesday, October 23, 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 5:47 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 5:55 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 6:00 PM.

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