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**WARREN BOARD OF
SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING**
Wednesday, August 28, 2019

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CALL TO ORDER:
Selectman Chandler called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Select Board Members Present: Charles Chandler and Lesa Romano. Chairman Sackett was not present for the meeting.

Staff/Officials Present: Town Administrator – Austin Albro, Fire Chief - Art Heath, Chief of Police – John Semertgakis and Chair of the WVS Board – Don Bagley Sr.. Road Agent- Bobby Cass, Treasurer - Sheila Foote, and Transfer Station/Buildings & Grounds Manager - George Russell were not at the meeting, but provided written reports.

Public Present: Shirley McCartin, Merv Newton, Cindy Bemis, and Donna Borges.

C. Chandler 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: Chandler -yes and Romano -yes. The motion passed 2-0 by the majority.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *C. Chandler moved to approve the 8-14-2019 minutes as presented. L. Romano seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler -yes and Romano -yes. The motion passed 2-0 by the majority.*

PUBLIC COMMENT:
1. Merv Newton asked if the money for aluminum cans continues to be given to the school despite the cost to produce a bale. Selectmen Chandler indicated that the money from the aluminum can bales will be used to offset Transfer Station operations. Mr. Newton also donated a 10 mph sign and inquired about maintenance for Batchelder Brook Road.
2. Cindy Bemis asked if Chief Semertgakis has located a grant for the purchase of a flashing radar sign. Chief John Semertgakis responded that he had not found a grant and that the speed signs cost between $3,000 and $5,000.
3. Don Bagley Sr. announced the School Board will be returning $52,000 back to the Town of Warren.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer, Sheila Foote was not at the meeting, but provided a written report. The Town of Warren Operating Account balance is **$576,357.45** before tonight's approved manifest total of $27,461.64.

The Tax Collections Account balance is **$206,009.01**.

The Treasurer reported she would be away from August 20 through September 1. Deputy Treasurer, Heather Warner will cover the office during my absence.

C. Chandler reported the Town of Warren is solvent.

C. Chandler moved to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's report. Seconded by L. Romano . Voting in favor of the motion were Chandler-yes and Romano-yes. The motion passed 2-0 by majority

ROAD AGENT:

Road Agent Bobby Cass reported he has been prepping Beech Hill Road. He is still waiting for R&D Company to come to pave. B. Cass said he is doing some cold patching. He is getting things together for servicing the trucks and backhoe. The Road Agent said he is still putting up sand for winter.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

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

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

The Fire Department reported that they responded to a mutual aid call to Bradford for a structure fire.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT:

Chief John Semertgakis reported there was a suspicious person on Route 25, 4 subpoenas served, telephone scam in Grafton County, lost dog returned to owner, Vin Verification on Pine Hill Rd., Theft on Route 25, dog fight on Batchelder Brook Rd.

Motor vehicle stops 23   Citations issued 2

TRANSFER STATION/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS REPORT:

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

Transfer Station: G. Russell reported he baled one bale of cardboard and one bale of Aluminum cans. He filled in a mud hole and has been doing maintenance work at the Transfer Station.

<u>Buildings & Grounds:</u> G. Russell reported he is still mowing. He will have everything mowed for Labor Day Weekend. He has been trimming trees.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

a.   Austin Albro reported the Parks and Recreation sponsored music festivals with food and drinks available have been well attended. The last one for the year will be September 6th.

b.   Austin Albro reported the Warren Town Wide Yard Sale will be Columbus Day weekend October 12th & 13th

NEW BUSINESS:

a.   Report of Cut: Daniel Clark Tax Map 228/023
b.   Intent to Cut: Daniel Clark Tax Map 245/014
c.   Land Use Change Tax: Breanne and Francisco Hernandez: Map 245/018. C. *Chandler moved to accept the assessor's report and approve the amount of $3,518.00. Seconded by L. Romano. Voting in favor of the motion were Chandler-yes and Romano-yes. The motion passed 2-0 by majority*

OLD BUSINESS: None

OTHER BUSINESS:

a.   Kitty Cinnamond announced there is an estate and yard sale at the Willing Worker's Hall in Glencliff this week end August 31st and September 1st from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM. All proceeds will toward the renovation of the Willing Worker's Hall.

b.   Town Administrator Austin Albro updated the Board on recent communication with Kellie Pinon, President of the Baker River Watershed. She shared some concerns about the health of the river and wildlife due to the construction of rock dams by swimmers. The Town Administrator stated that he is more than willing to work with Ms. Pinon to share information about keeping the watershed healthy.

CORRESPONDENCE: There was a request for abatement for Joanne Suprock. C. *Chandler moved to approve the abatement $29.23. Seconded by L. Romano. Voting in favor of the motion were Chandler-yes and Romano-yes. The motion passed 2-0 by majority*

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS:

Tuesday, September 10, 2019, WVS Board Meeting, 6:00 PM, @ WVS Library
Wednesday, September 11, 2019, Select Board Meeting, 5:00 PM @ Town Office
Thursday, September 14 - 21, 2019, Warren Clothing Drive, @ Town Hall
Wednesday, September 25, 2019, Select Board Meeting, 5:00 PM @ Town Office
Saturday - Monday, October 12 & 13, 2019. Warren/Glencliff Town Wide Yard Sale

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 Chandler-yes, and Romano-yes. The motion passed 2-0.

The Board adjourned at 5:45 PM.

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Selectman, Charles Chandler

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Selectwoman, Lesa Romano