

**WARREN BOARD OF
SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, August 12, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER:

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

Select Board Members Present: Lesa Romano, Charles Sackett and Charles Chandler were present.

Staff/Officials Present: Town Administrator – Austin Albro, Fire Chief – Art Heath, Road Agent – Bruce Dimond, WVS School Board Chair – Donald Bagley

Public Present: Shirlie McCartin and Merv Newton

L. Romano 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: Chandler – yes, Romano – yes, Sackett – yes and the motion passed 3-0-0.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *C. Chandler moved to approve the 07-29-2020 minutes as presented. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler – yes, Romano – yes and C. Sackett abstained. The motion passed 2-0-1.*

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Shirlie McCartin apologized for not being in attendance at the last meeting but informed the Board that her mom visited Warren for the first time recently and is already excited to come back citing how nice the community was. Don Bagley informed the Board that the school reopening plan had been finalized and that the first day of school would be September 8, 2020. Merv Newton informed the Board that he is concerned with a resident burning trash. M. Newton also expressed concerns with the emergency generator at the school. C. Chandler thanked Donna Hopkins and Janice Sackett, as well as, George Russell for their assistance preparing the Open Air Market for the memorial tree for Nancy Chandler, which was planted recently.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer, Sheila Foote provided a report to the Board for review.

The Town of Warren Operating Account balance is \$557,080.99 after tonight's approved manifest total of \$141,025.51.

The Tax Collections Account balance is \$368,201.36.

C. Chandler moved to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Report. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler – yes, Romano – yes, Sackett – yes.

ROAD AGENT REPORT:

The Road Agent reported that he had been cutting brush, cleaning up the shop and working with Kevin Knapp to repair the Grader. Selectmen Chandler asked the Road Agent whether he foresaw any issues with winter maintenance. Road Agent Dimond reassured the Board that he did not anticipate any issues. There was a discussion regarding the current condition of the big truck. C. Chandler acknowledged that multiple residents have asked why the big truck is not being run. B. Dimond clarified that he doesn't have an endorsement that would allow him to drive a truck that heavy and that during the summer months, the big truck is rarely required for anything other than hauling material to job sites, which has been done for a number of years by Warren Sand and Gravel for a very reasonable price. The Board questioned the trade in value of the truck in current conditions. B. Dimond stated that the value was determined to be \$35,000 - \$42,000 according to Clark's Truck Center and that some repairs were necessary for the truck to be used regularly. L. Romano asked if the fixes were something that could be done in house or if the truck had to be sent away. B. Dimond stated that some repairs could be done at the shop but that others required sending the truck back to the dealer for repairs. The Board and Road Agent agreed that having a truck that is parked is not the most efficient use of resources and the Board encouraged the Road Agent and Administrator to look at options for replacement sooner than Town Meeting next year.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

The Tax Collector provided receipts to the Board for review.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief, Art Heath reported assisting the WWAS with preparation of a Landing Zone for DART for a burn victim.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT:

Chief John Semertgakis reported recent activity to the Board of Selectmen. Boat VIN Verification on Stimson Road, Glenclyff. Disabled Motor Vehicle on Route 118, report of vehicle off the road, pushed the vehicle back on the road. Criminal Threatening, Batchelder Brook Road. VIN Verifications on Pine Hill Road and Lake Tarleton Road. Civil Standby, Robb's Lane; present for meeting between land owners discussing noise issues. Theft/Trespass, Studio Road; report of stolen dirt bike. Disabled Motor Vehicle, Lake Tarleton Road, mechanical failure led to rear tire breaking away from the vehicle, no injuries. Domestic Disturbance, Lake Tarleton Road.

18 Motor Vehicle Stops, 2 Citations

TRANSFER STATION/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS REPORT:

The Manager, George Russell was not present at the meeting, but provided the Select Board a written report.

Grounds: G. Russell reported that he helped Bruce with clean up after the last storm.

All furnaces and boilers have had their annual cleaning. G. Russell is working on installing the new library sign and continues to mow, as needed.

Transfer Station: G. Russell reported that the Transfer Station continues to be open on Wednesdays from 2-6. We have baled 1 plastic and 1 cardboard bale. Received check of \$417.78 for the last load of scrap metal and aluminum cans. G. Russell also reported that he attended a webinar on scrap metal and storm water that was put on by D.E.S.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

Austin Albro reported that he is picking up the Election PPE that was provided by the Secretary of State, tomorrow. The Administrator completed the New Hampshire Municipal Association's Financial Impact Survey and anticipates that the MS-434, revised anticipated revenues for the Town, would be ready for review at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) The Town Administrator provide the Board of Selectmen a brief review of recent Planning Board activity which included 2 subdivision applications and a lot line adjustment. The Administrator also reminded the Board of the property owner who is seeking to build a home on Week's Road, which requires a release of liability notice to be recorded at the Deed's Office.

OLD BUSINESS:

COVID-19 Discussion: The Town Administrator informed the Board that Parks and Rec had intentions of hosting another Concert on the Common. The Board approved the concert so long as the same conditions of the first concert were followed. Those included no food or vendors, masks when appropriate, and social distancing. There was additional discussion about an influx of complaints about restaurants and other local businesses not following the Governor's Emergency Orders. *C. Chandler moved to send a letter to all local restaurants reaffirming the Governor's Emergency Orders. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler – yes, Romano – yes, Sackett – yes.*

NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

Motion by C. Chandler, seconded by C. Sackett 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 5:57 PM.

CONCLUSION NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

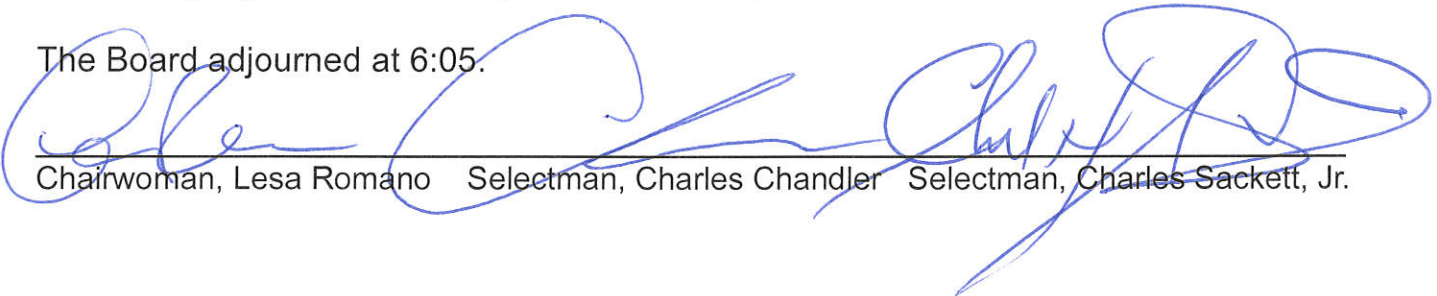
Motion by C. Sackett, seconded by C. Chandler that the Board of Selectmen exit non-

public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3. Vote: Chandler –yes, Romano – yes, and Sackett-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0. Motion by C. Chandler, seconded by C. Sackett that the Board of Selectmen seal the minutes of the non-public session in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 for forty years. Vote: Chandler –yes, Romano – yes, and Sackett-yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

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, Sackett – yes, and Romano – yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board adjourned at 6:05.



Chairwoman, Lesa Romano Selectman, Charles Chandler Selectman, Charles Sackett, Jr.