# WARREN BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, August 26, 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, Police Chief – John Semertgakis, Fire Chief – Art Heath, Road Agent – Bruce Dimond, WVS School Board Chair – Donald Bagley, EMD – Janice Sackett

**Public Present:** Shirlie McCartin, Merv Newton, Traci Sackett, Victoria Berger, Brenda and John Lester, Amber Kingsbury, Morgan Kingsbury, Riley Kingsbury, Carlton Kingsbury, Monica and Kevin Godfrey, Vernon Brigham and Norman Roulx

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. Sackett moved to approve the 08-12-2020 minutes as presented. C. Chandler seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler – yes, Romano – yes and C. Sackett – yes. The motion passed 3-0.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

C. Sackett informed the audience that due to COVID-19; he was unable to host the annual Norm Sackett Scholarship Dinner and Dance this June. However, due to the success of past events, the Sackett family was still able to offer 2 scholarships to students in the Warren area who are continuing their education. Janice and Traci Sackett presented this year's scholarship awards to Morgan Kingsbury who was in attendance and surrounded by family. The other recipient, Maya Bailey was unable to attend but both students were recognized for their devotion to their academics and service to their communities. The Board of Selectmen recognized the scholarship recipients and thanked those who attended the meeting. John and Brenda Lester reported that their music and arts event went well and spectators were safe and socially distant. The large motorized events were cancelled for the remainder of their season. Mery Newton presented a document from 1994 to the Board for their review. The document appeared to show a loan made from the town to the water district in 1994. Mr. Newton asked the Board if there was any opportunity for a similar arrangement to repair the well. C. Chandler indicated that he was unaware of a source for those funds but it may be considered. Norman Roulx inquired whether progress

Verbal altercation, female in white SUV from MA involved, could not locate.

20 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.

<u>Grounds:</u> G. Russell reported that he helped set up a tent for the school and also assisted with removal of the old swing set. The fire extinguishers have had their annual inspection. A handicap parking sign has been set up at the library and the book drop has been moved. The steel for the library's new sign has been ordered.

<u>Transfer Station:</u> G. Russell reported that the Transfer Station continues to be open on Wednesdays from 2-6. We have baled 1 aluminum bale and 1 cardboard bale since the last meeting. The additional building at the Transfer Station has been moved and is being set up for recycling drop off. Working on moving glass crusher to the outside wall of the building so that glass can be dropped off directly into the hopper.

#### **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:**

Austin Albro reported that he received a phone call from the Attorney General's Office in regards to a viral Facebook post about Moosilauke Campground. The Attorney General's Office followed up with the campground owner who ensured the AG's Office, that the campground would comply with the Governor's Emergency Order. The Attorney General's Office explained that if another complaint is received by the Town, local law enforcement is to investigate whether the business is compliant, and if not, we are to inform the Attorney General's Office for next steps. The Town Administrator informed the Board that he is continuing to work on the letter to the local restaurants regarding the Governor's Emergency Orders, 2017 FEMA mitigation projects and reimbursement, tax deeded property redemption, assisting with the set up for the new Trustee of Trust Funds, ordering equipment for the FEMA warm zone grant, and completing the MS434 for NH DRA. The Administrator also acknowledged that Warren was one of 51 towns in NH that has yet to file for reimbursement from the GOFERR grant for municipalities and counties but ensured the Board that the process was well underway and would be submitted to the state for review in advance of the September 15, 2020 deadline.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. CARES Act Election Grant for Signature: The Town Administrator presented the Grant Agreement and informed the Board that the Town of Warren was eligible to receive up to \$2079.02 in grant funds. C. Chandler moved to allow Lesa Romano, Chairman of the Board, to sign the CARES Act Election Grant Agreement. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Chandler – yes, Romano – yes, Sackett – yes.
- b. The Town Administrator requested authorization from the Board of Selectmen to

## **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 L. Romano, 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.

The Board exited non-public session at 5:46 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 Chandler-yes, Sackett – yes, and Romano – yes. The motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board adjourned at 5:47 PM.

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