

**WARREN BOARD OF
SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, May 5, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER:

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

Select Board Members Present: Todd Bixby and Chuck Sackett

Staff/Officials Present: Town Administrator – Austin Albro, Fire Chief – Art Heath, WWSB Chairman – Don Bagley, Town Treasurer – Sheila Foote

Public Present: Marlene Wright, Shirlee McCartin, Bryan Flagg, Samantha Catterall, Jeremy Hair, and Lesa Romano via phone. Duncan and Rocco were also present.

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

SELECT BOARD MANIFEST: T. Bixby *moved approval of the manifest. C. Sackett seconded the motion. Vote: Sackett – yes, Bixby – yes, and the motion passed 2-0-0.*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: C. Sackett *moved approval of the April 21, 2021 meeting minutes. T. Bixby seconded the motion. Vote: Sackett – yes, Bixby – yes, and the motion passed 2-0-0.*

PUBLIC COMMENT: Arthur Heath stated that he was glad to see the Town moving forward with Old Home Day. Don Bagley stated they would do their best to get the flags up prior to Memorial Day and that he appreciated everyone's understanding.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

The Town of Warren Operating Account balance is \$152,752.53 after tonight's approved manifest total of \$120,357.76.

The Tax Collections Account balance is \$317,763.49

C. Sackett *moved to acknowledge receipt of the Treasurer's Report. T. Bixby seconded the motion. Vote: Sackett – yes, Bixby – yes, and the motion passed 2-0-0.*

ROAD AGENT REPORT:

The Road Agent was not present at the meeting but reported that the repairs to the Town's International Highway Department Truck is inspected and repairs are complete. The repairs to date total \$8,000. The dealer had originally quoted \$28,000 worth of necessary repairs.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT:

The Tax Collector provided receipts to the Board for review.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Fire Chief, Art Heath reported a lift assist during the recent reporting period.

CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT:

Chief John Semertgakis reported recent activity to the Board of Selectmen. Animal Complaint, Lake Tarleton Road.; loose dogs found on the road, returned to owner, court date given as these are nuisance dogs at this point. Trespass, Poplar Place; Landlord tenant issue regarding residency, referred to Sheriff's Dept., civil issue. Disabled Motor Vehicle, Route 25; car off the road North of the Hildreth Dam, was removed. VIN Verification, Route 118; VIN check on a refurbished trailer. Vandalism/Criminal Mischief, Route 25, under investigation.

19 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 report of recent activity.

Grounds: G. Russell reported that he finished cleaning up tree debris at the Open-Air Market. He also sent info to DOT for the Welcome to Warren Signs for 25C and Route 118. Mowing season has started.

Transfer Station: G. Russell reported that the Transfer Station shipped out tires earlier today. Working on shipping out a partial load of plastic with cardboard through NRRA. Baled 1 bale of cardboard. Scheduled for a webinar for May 10 on Plastic Recycling.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

The Town Administrator offered a brief update to the Board regarding the Town's progress in the revaluation process. Additionally, the Town Administrator reported that inventories have been processed and are being reviewed by KRT. Lastly, Blacktop Paving was in Town and met with the Road Agent to firm up the quote for Pine Hill's reconstruction.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) The Board of Selectmen reviewed and signed the Veteran's Credit Application presented by the Assessor for property owned by Tara Hazen.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a) Selectman Search: Selectman Sackett indicated that he would like to proceed with interviews of the candidates that put in letters of interest. Selectman Bixby agreed. Selectman Sackett asked Selectman Bixby and the candidates if an interview session scheduled for next Wednesday, May 12, would work.

Everyone agreed. The Town Administrator was instructed to schedule the interview sessions to be held during a public meeting on Wednesday, May 12.

- b) COVID-19 Update: The Administrator informed the Board of Selectmen that Old Home Day is moving forward and looking forward to hosting a safe and fun Old Home Day Weekend, July 9-11.

Prior to the adjournment the meeting, Don Bagley stated that he had submitted an E-911 address request for the Town Forest on Route 118. Additionally, Jeremy Hair thanked the Board for allowing Tae Kwon Do to resume in the Town Hall.

ADJOURN:

T. Bixby moved the adjournment of the regular meeting of the Select Board. The motion was seconded by C. Sackett. Vote: Sackett – yes, Bixby – yes, and the motion passed 2-0-0.

The Board adjourned at 5:16PM.

Chairman, Charles Chandler



Selectman, Todd Bixby



Selectman, Charles Sackett, Jr.