WARREN BOARD OF SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING Wednesday, August 10, 2022

CALL TO ORDER:

C. Sackett called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Select Board Members Present: Chuck Sackett, Todd Bixby, and Shirley McCartin

Staff/Officials Present: Fire Chief – Art Heath, Town Administrator – Austin Albro, WVSB Chairman – Donald Bagley, Deputy Tax Collector – Marlene Wright

Public Present: Jeremy Hair, Donna Hopkins, Butch Spencer, Tori and Stacey Berger, Norman Roux, Kenn Lamb, John Elias, George MacDougal, Tom Babbit, Ian Holm, Karen and Jeff Pfeiffer, Mark Wojtkun, Jeff Donnell, Rodger Puglisi, Lesa Romano, Michael Decelle, John Cyr, Heather and Gary Smith, Kellie and Jeff Millette, Brenda and John Lester

SELECT BOARD MANIFEST: C. Sackett moved approval of the manifest, as presented. McCartin seconded the motion. Vote: McCartin – yes, Sackett – yes, Bixby – yes, and the motion passed 3-0-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Board reviewed the minutes of July 20th and July 27th. C. Sackett moved approval of the July 27, 2022, meeting minutes. S. McCartin seconded the motion. Vote: McCartin – yes, Sackett – yes, Bixby – abstained, and the motion passed 2-0-1. T. Bixby moved approval of the July 20, 2022, meeting minutes. S. McCartin seconded the motion. Vote: McCartin – yes, Sackett – yes, Bixby –yes, and the motion passed 3-0-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Donald Bagley, Warren Village School Board Chairman informed the Board of Selectmen that he anticipated approximately \$40,000 to be returned to the Town, representing the remainder of last year's budget.

TRANSFER STATION/BUILDINGS & GROUNDS REPORT:

The Manager, George Russell was not present at the meeting and provided the Select Board a report of recent activity.

<u>Grounds:</u> G. Russell reported that he has been busy mowing and trimming all over town, as needed. G. Russell reported that he had received the new filing cabinet for the cemetery. He is working on a estimate of cost for materials to replace the Town Hall deck. G. Russell thanked Don Bagley for use of his push mower at the Hildreth Dam Memorial. He continues to help the Road Agent move equipment.

<u>Transfer Station:</u> G. Russell reported that 1 bale of aluminum and 1 bale of plastic was produced. G. Russell reported spending a day moving items into storage and thanked

the Road Agent for his help. On August 6, Jeffrey Tompkins attended training to complete the requirement for his operator license renewal.

FIRE CHIEF: Chief Heath reported an EMS assist at the Glencliff Home for the Elderly. There was brief discussion about the status of the SCBA packs and Locality Equipment Purchase Grant. The Administrator informed everyone that he had been back and forth with the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) and that there are no eligibility requirements.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

The Town Administrator provided a brief report to the Board of Selectmen noting that the Town has 2 summer concerts left on September 2 and September 9. He expressed that he had followed up with DOT regarding the passing zone on Route 25-C. Lastly, he noted that he had been made aware of additional funding opportunities for municipalities for housing demotion, in reference to the town owned property located across from the building currently owned by 7/11.

NEW BUSINESS:

a) Chairman Sackett asked the Town Administrator to read aloud Mr. Newton's written complaint regarding OHRV use on Pine Hill, Gould Hill, and Swain Hill. The Board of Selectmen then offered those in attendance the opportunity to speak. Chairman Sackett clarified that the petition to close Gould Hill, Pine Hill, and Swain Hill Roads did not represent enough property owners along those roads to warrant an immediate shutdown of the roads for use by OHRVs. The conversation focused on how to improve signage, mitigate the volume of ATVs utilizing the system, traffic and idling at the intersection of Gould Hill, Pine Hill, and Swain Hill, as well as enforcement and trail etiquette.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a) The Board of Selectmen reviewed and agreed to long term use of the Town Hall for Donna Bagley for the semi-annual free clothing event, as well as a fundraiser to immediately follow. The Town Hall will be unavailable from September 22 until October 19.
- b) The Board of Selectmen discussed Pine Hill Road. The contractor indicated they would be in town to complete the project prior to the end of August.
- c) The Administrator reminded the Board that the Town needed a volunteer to become Warren's Health Officer. There was discussion regarding the potential failure of a non-operational subsurface waste system located on Pine Hill Road. After consultation with NH DHHS and NH DES, the Town agreed it was unable to act, as evidence of a violation or failure was not present at the time of the complaint.
- d) The Board of Selectmen agreed unanimously that there was no action to take regarding an anonymous complaint submitted to the State regarding an unpermitted junkyard on Route 25.

NON-PUBLIC:

- S. McCartin moved to enter into nonpublic session, in accordance with RSA 91-A:3 II (b). The motion was seconded by C. Sackett. Vote: Sackett yes, McCartin yes, Bixby yes, and the motion passed 3-0-0. The Board entered into nonpublic session at 5:47 P.M.
- C. Sackett moved to leave nonpublic session and return to public session at 6:13 P.M.

ADJOURN:

C. Sackett moved the adjournment of the regular meeting of the Select Board. The motion was seconded by S. McCartin Vote: Sackett – yes, McCartin – yes, Bixby – yes, and the motion passed 3-0-0.

The Board adjourned at 6:14 PM.

Chairman, Chuck Sackett Jr.

Selectman, Todd Bixby

Selectman, Shirley McCartin