

**WARREN BOARD OF
SELECTMEN REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, September 21, 2022**

CALL TO ORDER:

T. Bixby called the meeting to order at 5:00.

Select Board Members Present: Todd Bixby and Shirley McCartin

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

Public Present: Jeremy Hair, Tom Babbit

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Board reviewed the minutes of September 7, 2022. S. McCartin *moved approval of the September 7, 2022 meeting minutes. T. Bixby seconded the motion. Vote: McCartin – yes, Bixby – yes, and the motion passed 2-0-0.*

PUBLIC COMMENT: Donald Bagley, Warren Village School Board Chairman informed the Board of Selectmen that \$110,000 will be returned to the Town to offset December tax bills from the school budget.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

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

The Town of Warren Operating Account has a balance of \$367,586.88 after tonight's approved manifest total of \$27,817.32. The reconciliation reports were provided for August and September.

The Tax Collections Account balance is \$329,565.40. The reconciliation reports were provided for August and September.

The Town Clerk Collections Account balance is \$1,917.08. The reconciliation reports were provided for August and September.

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

FIRE CHIEF:

Chief Heath reported a call for a mutual aid call to Rumney, an ambulance assist, and another mutual aid call for 3rd alarm fire.

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.

Grounds: G. Russell reported all furnaces have had their annual cleaning and tune-up. G. Russell has been helping the Road Agent move equipment and expects to mow all town properties one more time this season. G. Russell thanked the J. Corso for mowing the Town Forest Trailhead.

Transfer Station: G. Russell helped baling up cardboard and one bale of plastic. Winter hours begin on October 20 and the Transfer Station will remain closed until April 2, 2023. G. Russell reported that the scrap metal is being shipped out next week. Lastly, G. Russell informed the Board that there is a resident interested in getting certified to help out at the Transfer Station.

CHIEF OF POLICE:

Police Chief John Semertgakis was not present at the meeting but provided a written report of his recent activity to the Board of Selectmen. Suicidal subject, unknown location; report of suicidal subject in Warren/Wentworth area. Did not locate. Motor Vehicle Complaint, Lake Tarleton Road; report of 'race cars' driving through Town. Located at AppleKnocker's performance car club passing through Town, no issues. Disabled Motor Vehicle, Route 118; report of van parked on road overnight. Belonged to the Hiker's Hostel, removed next day. Trespass/Vandalism, Route 25; trespass and vandalism at a cabin located off Route 25. Abandoned Property, AppleKnocker's; report of a red scooter left at AppleKnocker's. Subject returned to get it.

Additional Notes: 27 Stops, 3 Citations

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR:

The Town Administrator informed the Board that his most recent activity would be discussed later on during the meeting. The Town Administrator did share that the Road Agent asked to thank Mr. Peter Boncet on Stimson Road for removing his rocks from the right of way ahead of plowing season.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) The Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Town Administrator are working to prepare a number of requested documents so that our auditors, ALTA CPA, can complete the tax recommitment audit in accordance with State statutes.
- b) The Town Administrator explained that the Town may be eligible to recoup additional money from the 2017 major rain event in October, but providing the necessary documentation may prove to be a challenge. The Administrator stated he would work the EMD to see what is available to submit for reimbursement, specifically for "Administrative Costs".
- c) The Town Administrator shared that the family of the previous recipient of the

Boston Post Cane, Eunice Ramsey, had returned it to the Town, due to Eunice's recent move out of Town. The Administrator shared that he had been informed the next recipient should be Margaret Witcher. The Administrator and Board agreed that if Margaret was available before the next Selectboard meeting on October 5, the Boston Post Cane would be presented.

- d) The Board of Selectmen reviewed and signed the Intent to Cut for property owned by Debra Goldenberg, to be logged by Jordan King.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a) The Town Administrator shared that he would be meeting with Bill Johnstone, Business Development Executive at NHEC on September 28, regarding the Town's request to remove approximately 15 streetlights.
- b) The Administrator informed the Board that he anticipated paying the invoice for the Pine Hill paving project at the next meeting. He also provided a brief update relative to information gathered in response to the OHRV concerns on that road, as well.
- c) The Town Administrator shared that he and Selectman McCartin would be meeting with NH Office of Strategic Initiatives and FEMA to discuss Warren's Floodplain Management procedures on September 27.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) The Board of Selectmen reviewed the correspondence folder.

ADJOURN:

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

The Board adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Chairman, Chuck Sackett Jr.

Selectman, Todd Bixby

Selectman, Shirley McCartin