October 2018

# Warwick Community Newsletter

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#### PHONE DIRECTORY

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Library	7866				
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Animal Control	3402				
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413-676-9544					

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# MEET THE CANDIDATE

Please come join us on Sunday, **October 14th** from 2 to 4pm at the Lynrose Farm and Wellness Center Open House, 145 Shepardson Rd, , to meet Patricia Lazok. Patty is candidate for a seat on the Warwick Selectboard at the election on November 6th. She would love to greet and speak with any and all Warwick voters, regarding her views and ideas for our town, as well as her qualifications to be elected. There will also be beverages and gourmet treats to enjoy! We hope you can join us. Hosted by Mary Humphries and David Koester.

# Women's Guild

First of all, The Guild would like to thank the community for their generous support during Old Home Day. It is greatly appreciated. We will meet next on Tuesday, **October 2nd** at 1 p.m. in the dining room of the Town Hall. Hope to see you there! - Martha Morse

# ANIMAL CONTROL

#### An Ill Wind

A Tornado blew into town on the morning of Friday, August 25, 2017. He came on slow feet, hindered by osteoarthritis, a gigantic tumor by his right shoulder, old age, and failing health. He was a gentle and loving Siberian husky looking for his owner, for his home, for anything familiar. He wandered onto Chase Hill Farm, drawn to the cows and the activity of a young family, and encountered the electric fence before being taken out from under a van, offering no resistance and simply licking the hands and face of a complete stranger.

Because of his having been zapped by the electric fence I took him to the vet to be sure he had not sustained any injuries. While we waited for him to be seen, this dog sat quietly by my side with his head resting on my knee. I went through a list of arctic inspired names, none of which illicited any response. When I hit upon the name "Tundra", he looked up at me. I tried this several more times, and each time he would look up and lean in a little more. So, to me, this dog became known as Tundra.

While the veterinarian determined there were no ill effects from his brush with the electric fence, other tumors were found on his body and he was blind in the right eye from an undetermined cause. The dog had a microchip -- he was from Boylston, some 54 miles away! The telephone number on file was no longer valid, and the Boylston Town Clerk's office is closed on Fridays. Unable to contact the owner of record, I brought Tundra home, fed him and spent time with him before bringing him to the Franklin County Regional Shelter.

The next day I called the shelter to check on Tundra, and was told he had developed diarrhea. This would continue to worsen, despite a trip to the vet and various medications. A few days later I stopped by the shelter just to see Tundra again. The shelter staff had been able to make contact with the owner, who told them he wanted the dog euthanized. By law, animals are property in Massachusetts, and because the owner had been located and willing to pay for the procedure, Tundra was put to sleep six days after he was found.

When I was informed that the dog had been euthanized and at the owners request was to be cremated, I was angry and sad that the remains of this beautiful dog would be incinerated and the ashes disposed of along with those of many others. Then I was struck with the reality that evidence would be destroyed and it would be as though Tundra was never here. But he was here, in Warwick, with me. He sat and cuddled with me, content to have someone's attention. He looked up at me with his one good eye, an eye so blue it was like looking into a cloudless sky on the perfect Spring day. He licked my hand so gently; it felt like slightly damp silk brushing against my skin. Tundra may have been gone, but he had been here and he would not be forgotten.

I contacted MSPCA Law Enforcement. Officer Nadya Moreno began an investigation, halted the cremation, and ultimately charges were brought against the dog owner. This man told Officer Moreno that he came to buy milk, took the dog for a walk, the dog ran away, and he left and never called animal control or did anything to find the dog whose 10 years of life had been spent with him. Turns out his name was "Tornado", and that T sound must be why my choice of the name Tundra made him react. That was the closest thing to a connection to his old life he would have in his last days.

On September 10, 2018 the dog owner plead guilty to abandonment under the animal cruelty statutes. He was placed on a 6-month administrative probation and ordered to pay fees in the amount of \$390.00.

There was some of measure of justice for Tundra, but he never should have had to spend his last week in unfamiliar surroundings with people, however caring, that he did not know.

Thank you to those who reported seeing him, to those who provided care in his final days, and to Officer Moreno and ADA Swihart for pursuing this and taking it through the court system.

-Rosa Fratangelo



# Warwick Cultural Council Seeks Funding Proposals

Warwick residents may want to request funds from the local Warwick Cultural Council; the submission deadline is **October 15**. The application and supporting information can be found at www.mass-culture.org/lcc.

These grants can support a variety of artistic projects and activities in Warwick– including exhibits, festivals, field trips, short-term artist residencies, or performances in schools, workshops, and lectures. Programs can be in the arts, humanities, and science.

The Warwick Cultural Council is part of a network of 329 Local Cultural Councils serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. The LCC Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences and humanities every year. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Mass Cultural Council, a state agency, which then allocates funds to each community.

If you have questions not answered on the cultural council website, contact Susan Wright, chair of the Warwick Cultural Council

(wrightsm175@gmail.com).

# HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The following is an installment of "Voices from the Past"

by Clare Green

In honor of apple pie baking month! Here is an old book about an apple pie, found upstairs in the Warwick Historical Building.

# "A Apple Pie

The Tragical Death of A Apple-Pie

Cut in pieces and eat by twenty-five gentlemen with whom all young people ought to be very well acquainted

Profusely illustrated by A. Chasemore

Published by M. A. Donahue & Company, Chicago"

The hand written inscription inside the front cover of this book reads, "Ray Barber from Henry." Ray was Patty Ernest's father. The Ernest family lives on Flower Hill Rd. in Warwick. The two flourishing crab apple trees in front of the Warwick Free Public Library were planted in his memory. This featured children's book and others are found upstairs at The Warwick Historical Society Building. The illustrations are indeed very amusing, due to the colonial time period portrayed. Also included after the Apple Pie story, are ten various animal and outdoors stories; Dog Shaggie, Skipping, Ten Little Boatmen, The Two White Rabbits, The Little Grocer, Fan and Her Pups, Count Ten, A Game with Puss, The Garden Swing.

"A Apple Pie

B Bit it

C Cut it

D Dealt it

E Eat it

F Fought for it

G Got it

H Had it (I omitted)

J Joined it

K Kept it

L Longed for it

M Mourned for it

N Nodded at it

O Opened it

P Peeped in it

Q Quartered it

R Ran for it

S Stole it

T Took it (U omitted)

V Viewed it

W Wanted it

XYZ All wished for a piece in hand"

# REVIEW

# Johnson's Farm

110 Wheeler Avenue Orange, MA

Phone: 978-544-7835

Email: info@johnsonsfarm.net

Breakfast: Tuesday - Sunday: 7am to 11am Lunch: Tuesday - Saturday: 11am to 2pm Dinner: Wednesday - Saturday: 4pm to 8pm

For the past 15 years I have been going to Johnson's Farm for either breakfast, lunch or dinner. When company was in town it was always the 'local' place to go. When friends and I wanted to go get a 'bite', we would go there since our choices are limited in this area, or when you just had to have a 'donut' with that cup of coffee. Well, the time has come that they have decided to retire and close as of December 30, 2018. So if you are a fan of Johnson's Farm or never been, I suggest you make a trip before the end of the year and thank them for giving us a 'special place' to hang our hats.

Breakfast is one of my favorite meals to go out for and Johnson's was no exception. Their pancakes were always perfect and served with their own maple syrup. And their homemade donuts, cinnamon especially, were a personal favorite. I also liked the plain when I wanted to 'dunk' it. Whenever I was there, whether for breakfast, lunch or dinner, and I saw the fresh baked donuts, I usually had to buy a half dozen and bring home and put in the freezer. Then I would take one out and nuke it for 20 seconds and get to enjoy my coffee even more.

They had many different choices for lunch and dinner and no matter what I selected I always liked. From burgers, sandwiches, ribs, chicken, fish, no matter what you were craving, they usually had a solution.

The staff was always so friendly and attentive. Want something changed, no problem; in a hurry, no problem. You always felt welcomed and comfortable in the place. I am saddened by its closure but I certainly can appreciate the fact that they want to retire and enjoy their family and friends.

I hope you can make at least one trip before the end of the year to enjoy Johnson's Farm once more. I know I will be going.

A special thanks to Steve and Diane and staff for 15 great years of serving this area. We all wish you many happy years of retirement.

# RECREATION COMMITTEE

# **Sundays**

8am ZUMBA Tully Mill Restaurant with Christine \$5 1pm SOMATICS town hall \$10 start date 10/14

# Tuesdays

6pm STRONG Tully \$5

Wednesday October 10th and 24th

6pm ZUMBA town hall / Nao \$5

# **Thursdays**

6pm ZUMBA town hall / Susan \$5

# Saturdays

9:15 am YOGA town hall / Kalliope \$5-10

Warwick classes are recreation committee sponsored Any questions call Leanne -5553

#### **SOMATICS**

Warwick recreation committee will be sponsoring this very popular class for a second series of the myth of aging. This will be a great class for a beginner or any one wanting to practice the key moves. **Starting Sunday October 14th** 

Learn how to resolve even long standing pain and mobility issues, improve posture, and gain surprising awareness of your body's potential for function and peach—whether you're a teen playing sports or long past retirement. Anyone can do it, (though younger children aren't quite ready) and you get to take what you learn home with you. Clinical Somatic Re-education isn't a massage, energy work, or dance. It's a fascinating process that enables us to functionally reconnect our cortical/front brains to our muscles, resolving patterns of contraction, most of which we have no awareness of, from injury, repetitive use, and generally unhelpful habits. Some results are nearly instantaneous, some take longer, but the benefits are virtually endless.

Come dressed comfortably /ready to move gently / NO JEANS/, Refrain from wearing fragrances. You'll need a body length blanket or towel, optimally with a yoga matt underneath. Classes will be at the Warwick Town Hall Sundays 1-2pm Cost is \$10

Katherine Kendall is a local dancer and athlete who explored every healing modality after a car accident in 2004. In 2005, she tried clinical Somatics, and found it really helped chronic pain and lost mobility. Somatics offered such healing and empowerment that Katherine trained over 700 hours to become a practitioner. Thomas Hanna is the founder of Somatics and the original source of the term. You can learn more about Clinical Somatics at the institute website: Somatics.org.

Connect with Katherine on facebook at 'The Somatic Solution and or email <a href="mailto:info@somaticsolution.com">info@somaticsolution.com</a> . Private sessions are available.

# TOWN CLERK

NEEDED: 2 young, strong people to move the voting booths from the basement to the dining hall for election days, and back to the basement after the election is over. Please contact me at

townclerk@town.warwick.ma.us,

978-544-3402 or just stop in the office to let me know if you can help out.
Small stipend can be paid from Town Clerk budget.

EARLY VOTING: Monday, October 22 - Friday, November 2, 2018. Days and Hours will be Tuesday, October 23 and Tuesday, October 30 from 12 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.; Thursday, October 25 and Thursday, November 1 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, October 27 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. Voting takes place in the Town Clerk's office. Early Voting is available for both the State General Election and our Special Town Election.

#### GATHERING

There will not be a Gathering 05 October, the Town Hall will be occupied by the Apple Pie Bake, order early if you plan to get a pie this year. The Gathering Place menu is available on the L, Warwick Web, TCC and the Warwick L-ternative Facebook pages. The next Gathering will be held Friday, 02 November in the Town Hall Dining Room, from 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM.

Everyone is welcome. Thank you all for your ongoing support.

Tracy Gaudet, Outreach Coordinator for Orange COA and Shine Counselor, (Serving Health Insurance Needs for Everyone), will be at Sr Meal on Tuesdays, 02, 16 and 30 October. Stop by and put her to work for you. Tracy can assist individuals with public benefits, fuel assistance, food stamps, Mass Health, etc. You may contact her at 978-544-3481 or tgaudet@townoforange.org, she will be bring application forms for various programs. Got questions, need assistance, stop in between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM.

-Diana Tandy

#### THE GREEN CORNER

Important Heads Up! There is a Green Gem in our community located in the former Worker's Credit Union building on N. Main St. in Orange. If you've never been - or if it's been some time since you've shopped there – you should pay a visit to the Quabbin Harvest Food Co-Op: an absolute powerhouse of a grocery store stocked with fresh local and organic foods chosen with care and often in response to customer requests. You'll find well-loved products including Dean's Beans coffee, Rose 32 bread, local maple syrup, and Bart's ice cream by the scoop. There are quality bulk, frozen and canned goods. Local farmers supply eggs, seasonal produce, meat and much more.

Working in partnership with Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust, which owns the building, the co-op's essential mission is to support the local food system and keep area farms in operation. Cathy Stanton, current board member of the co-op, speaks of a "small economy and living more sustainably by keeping energy, money, skills, and food close to home." Flexibility is part of the co-op's design, as it is a "memberowned store." Membership is optional but an important means of co-op support and comes with great benefits, least of which is that it lasts a lifetime! There is an active suggestion book, and customers can let staff know what items they'd like to see on the shelves.

A recent addition to the store is "Nalini's Kitchen" which features dishes inspired by the cuisines of Mexico, the Mediterranean, and the Middle East. Created with love and culinary experiences including Ayurvedic cooking, Nalini Goordial's food supports good health, offers fabulous taste, and changes with the seasons! Nalini's Items (including vegetarian, vegan and gluten-free) are in the cooler and ready for take-out, with new offerings every Monday and Thursday (available through the week as supplies last).

Browse the store's display of lovely, unique gifts created by area artists and artisans. Cards, artwork, jewelry and more are a wonderful way to share the creative spirit of our community.

In addition, QH offers flexible fruit and vegetable shares that you can buy by the week all through the year. SNAP-eligible shoppers can receive a full reimbursement for their shares through the Healthy Incentives Program (HIP). Information on the program is available in the

The Quabbin Harvest has "bushels" to give but needs the support of its community in order to do so. Volunteering is one way to help. There are many important ways in which to contribute as a volunteer doing rewarding work even on an intermittent basis. The co-op is currently struggling with a "fragile" financial base and needs to stabilize through an increase in shoppers and memberships. Cathy explained that they "walk a fine line between offering healthy food and getting to financial sustainability. What's here is a dialogue with the community - including members and non-members we're trying to serve." With your next grocery list in hand, stop at QH first and explore with a conscious decision to make healthy purchases with a ripple of great benefits. Their redtagged Basics items are healthy staples at affordable prices. Your commitment to buy even a few regular weekly purchases is vital to this coop's future. Your purchases will support our neighbors, local farmers, and ultimately our community. They come with appreciation and a guarantee of feeling good! Off-street parking allows for time to browse this very special grocery store. - Mary Humphries

# BOARD HEALTH

Board of Health Winter Meeting Schedule

The BOH will change its' schedule to a monthly meeting starting October 2018. All meetings are on Wednesday at 7 P.M. in the boards' room upstairs in the Warwick Town Hall.

October 24th November 14th December 24th

In emergencies call the chair Helen Whipple or the clerk, Nancy Lyman



clinic dates for the rest of 2018

All are on Fridays and at the Metcalf Chapel at 8 a.m.

Nov 9 Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> Oct 12

www.warwickma.org is the Town's website. Along with things like Permit Applications, Police Logs, Meeting Agendas, Town Hall Office Hours, you can find this newsletter and lots of other very useful information! If you would like post something to the webpage, contact Ed Lemon, Webmaster at elemon@tiac.net.

# SAVE THE DATE

The Warwick Arts Council will present a special showing of a new film by Cheri Robartes.

If Music Be the Food of Love, a 90-minute comedy about a middle-aged woman who wants a part-time boyfriend.

Saturday, November 10th at 7pm at the Warwick Town Hall. Free.

# CANDIDATE STATEMENT

Hi Warwick Voters,

My name is Patricia Lazok, and I am running for the vacant position on the Selectboard. I've lived in Warwick, and New England in general, for the last 5 years after moving here from Austin, TX with my longtime boyfriend, Woollven, and our dog and cats. I feel so blessed to have found a home here in Warwick and now that I've settled in with my job in Northfield and house on Old Winchester Rd, it's time to do something more!

I've heard many people say, "Warwick is a dying town". I don't think that is true. I think it COULD be true if we don't keep our eye on certain things, but it's not true, right now, in my opinion. The three main items of concern to me: our school, our roads, our infrastructure (phone -land/cell- and internet). If elected, those are the items that I plan on digging into and trying to get ahead of...all while working within realistic fiscal constraints and the need to keep life in Warwick affordable (ie. tax rate).

At work, my boss calls me "Laser" because when I'm focusing on a problem or a concern, I'm all in. My coworkers call me "Dreamcrusher" because I don't have a problem telling it how it is. I feel I would bring that same focus to the Select-board. That's my platform and thought process, in a nutshell. Please feel free to reach out to me to meet me in person or attend our "Meet the Candidate" get-together **October 14th** as part of the Lynrose Farm and Wellness Center Open House, 145 Shepardson Road.

So "Vote Laser" come November 6th! More importantly, GO VOTE! No matter how you feel about things on a national level, at least come pick who you'd like to represent you on a local level, where it affects us every day on our commute, our kids, and our quality of daily life.

#### WARWICK ARTS COUNCIL NEWS

# 28th Annual Art Show and Sale, October 5-8 at the Warwick Town Hall

Hours: Friday October 5: 7-9pm, Saturday, Sunday & Monday: 10am-3pm

The Art Show and Sale is almost here! Area residents from professional, highly-trained artists to amateur, occasional dabblers, can submit up to three art pieces for display in the Warwick Town Hall during Columbus Day Weekend. The show concept is to encourage all area residents to display their creations. This includes artwork from artists of all ages, hung together in a creative potpourri. Every year there are community members that "come out of the woodwork", to display for first time. A variety of media are shown including: Paintings, Photographs, Ceramics, Collage, Quilts, Literature, Watercolors, Puppetry, Furniture, Monotypes, Jewelry, Drawings, Fiber Art, Wood Carving, Sculpture....

"Meet The Artists" Reception: Friday October 5th at 7pm. Everybody's welcome to join in looking at the amazing art our friends & neighbors have created. There will be refreshments too!

<u>Details</u>: Art arrival times: Thursday October 4th 5-7pm, Friday October 5th 1-3pm at the Town Hall. We cannot guarantee hanging space for artwork arriving after 3pm Friday. 3 pieces per artist: please make sure all pieces are ready to hang (wire, hooks). Artists that have cards, matted prints or small artworks may submit them in addition to their 3 pieces. All levels of experience accepted. Friends/family may submit for others. **Pick up time:** Monday October 8th - 3pm

We need help: Many shows have a submission fee, Warwick's does not, but we ask that all artists and/or their families lend a hand. Tasks:

staffing the town hall (can you sit at the show on Sat., Sun or Monday between 10-3?) setting up the show (Thurs. 5-7 and Friday 1-5pm) providing refreshments

breaking down the show Monday October 8th at 3pm.

Questions? Special arrangements? Call/email Tom Wyatt: 413-768-8641 tomwyattphoto@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE: Saturday November 10th, A feature-length film written, produced, directed,

and edited by Warwick's own Cheri Robartes called "The Food of Love". Free showing at 7pm.

# TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of WARWICK

OCTOBER 2018

Dear Friends,

"Has God not chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love God?" James 2:5

The scripture above was the theme for a recent "Daily Devotional" from the UCC Stillspeaking Writers Group. The author of this devotional, Rev Quinn G. Caldwell, began his reflections with;

Am I the only person who worries when the Bible says this type of airy fairy thing about the poor? Like the Beatitudes: blessed are the poor...Are we sure they know? I think you should go find someone caught in grinding generational poverty and tell them how blessed they are. Let me know how it goes... Poverty is not a Sunday school lesson. It is hard beyond imagining. It is degrading. It might refine the soul sometimes, but at least as often, it just grinds it down to a nub."

But then, Jesus himself seemed to discount the need to aid the poor when he defended the woman who had "wasted" a jar of expensive oil, by pouring it on his head, when "she could have sold it for a lot money and given it to the poor". His response; you'll always have the poor, but you will not always have me. It would seem that Jesus is suggesting we pick the important ones among us to pay attention to so why bother with those who are just a "drain" on the economy? Is this not the essence of the argument to let into our country only those who will definitely benefit the GDP and exclude those who might not? In other words, what's in it for me and mine?

Could it be that Jesus was saying, pay more attention to how I am living and less attention to money? Jesus was constantly healing people deemed "unclean" by those in power, restoring the outcasts to full participation in society, reclaiming a place of dignity for those degraded by the elite. The way he lived had very little to do with money, it was about healthy, redeeming and empowering relationships.

There is a growing movement in some international circles to replace the use of the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) as a measure of a nation's health and wellbeing with a measure of a nation's Gross National Happiness (GNH). This has of course been dismissed out of hand by most of the leaders of industry and government as impractical, too imprecise, too ineffective and unproductive. GDP can be measured precisely. It is the aggregate monetary value of goods and services produced by a nation in a given amount of time that is consumed by the "market". It fits neatly into a society that is made up of producers and consumers, quantifiable units, without any of the fuzziness of how they "feel". It aligns nicely with the development of algorithms that drive the economy. It has nothing to do with the quality of relationships between and among individuals and between individuals and the greater society.

GNH proposes to take relational aspects of life in a country into account as well as economic data. Is there adequate and affordable housing available for all levels of the population? Is there adequate access to a quality education for all? Is there tolerance for a difference of opinions, religions, sexual orientations? Is there adequate and equitable access to nutritional resources for all? Is there an equitable distribution of wealth? Is the ecological impact of the society sustainable over the long term?

If Jesus' life was all about building and sustaining a viable, just and inclusive community, why is the measure of life in our "Christian" nation so focused on the money we earn and the "things" we own? And why is the promise of being "heirs to the Kingdom" about what happens after we die? After all, the prayer Jesus gave his followers says, "Thy kingdom come, **on earth**, as it is in heaven." Maybe, just maybe, the "rich in faith" are those who envision and work toward a society, here and now, that values equitable and just relationships, where the health of the whole community is valued above the accumulation of wealth by a few individuals. A transformation of our dominant culture, political, social and religious, is possible with a belief in a God of abundance rather than one of scarcity. It happens with one community at a time.

In hopeful faith, Dan

# MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS

# **CROP WALKS & HURRICANE RELIEF**

Church World Service is an ecumenical organization that not only responds immediately to disasters like hurricane Florence and typhoon Mangkhut in the Philippines and China, but maintains connections with local organizations to rebuild and improve local resources long term, well after other organizations have left. The FRANKLIN COUNTY CROP WALK will be held this year in Leyden on **Sunday, Oct 14**. There are a number of people from our church who are walking and would love sponsors (for a list of walkers, call the Chapel 4-2630 or Dan at 4-2663). In addition to the national and international relief supported by CROP Walks, **25**% of the money raised is used locally. In Franklin County, that money is used to support the Food Bank of Western MA as well as local food pantries.

#### **HEALTH KITS**

Thanks to the generous donations raised at the Old Home Days Mission Table, we were able to fill a number of bags that will be sent to CWS to distribute around the world to people in areas of poverty or those hit by disasters. We will be collecting for more health kits at the upcoming Holiday Fair on November 24.

# **UP COMING EVENTS**

# IT'S APPLE PIE TIME AGAIN

The TCCW apple pie bake and sale is coming *the first week in Oct*. You can pre-order pies by emailing Helen Whipple at <a href="https://hrth.ncb.nlm.nih.gov/html/">https://hrth.ncb.nih.gov/html/</a>. (\$10/ea, Baked/Unbaked/Sugar Free) And we would not want to exclude any of you from the fun of peeling, slicing, rolling out the dough and filling the pie shells; this is open to any who wish to come. The peeling and slicing will happen in the evenings of Tues and Wed. (Oct 2 & 3) and the rolling, filling and baking happens in the mornings of Wed, Thurs and Friday (Oct 3, 4, and 5). All pies will be gone by Sat. Oct 6.

# ON-GOING ACTIVITIES AT THE METCALF CHAPEL

# **FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS**

Nonperishable food, personal hygiene items and household cleaning supplies are collected in the front hall of the Chapel. The personal & household cleaning items are especially needed as they cannot be purchased with "food stamps".

# MEDICAL SUPPLY LIBRARY

We have crutches, wheelchairs, walkers and many other medical supplies for free loan at the Chapel. Check us out before buying new.

Warwick PTO and Metcalf Chapel/TCCW are TEAMING UP to present HOLIDAY FAIR 2018

at

WARWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL Saturday, NOVEMBER 24, 2018

9am - 2pm

Featuring Local Craftspeople, Artisans, PTO Table, Food Items, Health and Wellness, Baked Goods, Themed Gift Basket Raffle, Lunch and More!



# SELECTBOARD MINUTES—August 13, 2018

Members present: Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Highway Superintendent Larry Delaney, Buildings and Energy Committee Chair Janice Kurkoski, Bob Croke, Max Marcus (*Greenfield Recorder*)

Erviti MOVED to approve the July 30, 2018 minutes as printed. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Erviti MOVED to appoint the slate of Election Workers as presented. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Erviti MOVED to declare all items on the list surplus property. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to adjourn at 7:44 p.m. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

#### LIBRARY

Greetings from the Library - It's been an enjoyable first few weeks, getting my feet wet and meeting people! I'm especially grateful to Nancy Hickler for making herself available through this transition.

Everywhere I turn I find something fascinating. On my first day I picked up *Forgotten English* by Kacirk in the Language section and opened randomly to read about "Scaramouch," a word instantly recognizable from the unforgettable line in Queen's epic operatic rock song, *Bohemian Rhapsody*: "Scaramouche, Scaramouche, will you do the Fandango?" Scaramouche, from the Italian *scaramuccia*, literally "little skirmisher," was a stock clown character in 14th-century traveling commedia dell'arte troupes—a fool, who was typically knocked about for his ridiculous behavior. From that we get skirmish, originally to describe a military encounter, then later broadened to include sports with "scrimmage".

For something more contemporary, check out the September 8th *New York Times* Opinion piece, "To restore civil liberty, start with the library", online at <a href="https://www.nytimes.com/2018/09/08/opinion/sunday/civil-society-library.html">https://www.nytimes.com/2018/09/08/opinion/sunday/civil-society-library.html</a>. There's a paper copy at the Library.

I'm working on the new book order: top of the list is Archer Mayor's newest, *Bury the Lead*. Suggestions welcome.

Come on by - discoveries await! - Ivan Ussach, Director

# SELECTBOARD MINUTES—August 27, 2018

Members present: Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Dawn Magi, Bob Croke, Kevin Alden

Erviti MOVED to approve the August 13, 2018 minutes as printed. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Erviti MOVED to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. Pruyne SE-CONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Full minutes are available at the library and electronic subscribers get full minutes each month in the Newsletter.

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Residents from any Solid Waste District member town may bring bulky items such as tires, appliances, scrap metal, furniture, mattresses, carpeting, construction debris, computers, televisions, propane gas tanks, and other large items. Materials will be recycled whenever possible. Residents and businesses do not need to pre-register for the collection.

Disposal fees, cash only, apply for most items. Clean and dry (bagged) textiles and books accepted free for reuse or recycling. A complete list of prices for the most common items is online at: www.franklincountywastedistrict.org/

<u>cleansweep.html</u>, and will also be available at participating town halls, town transfer stations, and the District office at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield.

Did you know? Staples accepts computer equipment (no TVs) free of charge: call store for details and volume limits. Various charities and non-profits accept donations of working electronics, including local Salvation Army and Goodwill stores. Before loading up your car, always call these sites to ask if they can accept your item.

For more information, contact the District office at (413) 772-2438; email info@franklincountywastedistrict.org; or visit: www.franklincountywastedistrict.org.

MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 (TTY/TDD). The District is an equal opportunity provider.

September into October update

Greetings from the WCS Preservation Committee. September has been an interesting month for our committee with all of the outside meetings our members have attended along with of our bi-weekly committee meetings.

The PVRSD School Committee met this month with the H.E.A.R.T. Committee's retained consultants presenting their initial analysis on both the Gill / Montague and PVRS School districts. Additionally, the H.E.A.R.T. Committee met for their monthly meeting. The WCS Preservation Committee had multiple members attend these meetings and have been actively reporting back to the group on their analysis of those meetings.

Additionally the Warwick Selectboard met, discussed and gave their approval to the formation of an advisory committee between town representatives and the Warwick School Committee Members. I am looking for a second town resident to join me as representatives for the town of Warwick.

On September 25<sup>th</sup> we will have guest speaker Ken Rocke at our bi-weekly meeting. Mr. Rocke is a member of the Massachusetts Regional School Authority and works regularly with regional school districts throughout the Commonwealth. That meeting will be Tuesday (9/25/18) at the Trinitarian Congregational Church of Warwick at 6:45 PM.

We are continually looking for others within the Warwick community to attend our meetings, learn more about what is going on and provide their insight on how we can best preserve elementary education for our town's youth. We welcome community members with different perspectives, opinions and backgrounds to serve on this committee as well as the various sub-committees we have started.

The committee now meets every other Tuesday at the Trinitarian Congregational Church of Warwick at 6:45 PM.

Our next two scheduled meetings are September 25<sup>th</sup> and October 9<sup>th</sup>.

As we go through our lives in the next month I would like everyone to put some thought and consideration into a few questions: 1) what type of investment has the town put into WCS both from a financial perspective as well as from a community perspective. 2) What would Warwick look like to us and to future residence if we no longer had an elementary school within our town boarders and bussed our children to Northfield? 3) What would our costs be to the District if WCS closed and would our town's taxes lower?

If you are interested in the answers to any of these questions, please come to our next meeting to discuss. We are actively pursuing these questions, backing the answers up with real facts and figures and educating ourselves and anyone who wants to learn along the way.

To learn more find our private group on Facebook by searching for "WCS Preservation Committee" and request to join. If Facebook isn't your thing, please email Sarah Wells and she will provide you with additional information. (<a href="mailto:spwells16@Gmail.com">spwells16@Gmail.com</a>)

# **2018 CORREGATA NEWS!**

Great weather, the biggest crowd ever, the most boats racing (18) and wonderful press coverage made for a spectacular, funny, and extremely creative race.

100 yards of competition led to cheers and laughs as all the racers struggled to keep their boat afloat.

# **Results as follows:**

# 2018 Kids (16 and under) winners:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Cameron Farley in "Eager Beaver" made by:

Jean Haskell and Claire Michaels

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Sierra York in "Hopeful" made by Russell Deane.

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Lucy Koester and Meena Relyea-Strawn in "Eat My Bubbles" made by Lucy and David Koester and Meena.

# 2016 Adult winners

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Chris Milko in "Escape Pod 2098" made by Chris.
2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Brad Compton in "Porcupine II-L" made by Brad.
3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Emile Marti in "The Toothless Pontoon" made by Emile and his dad.

**Sinker Award:** Sadie Waggenbeek in "S.S. Awesome," made by Sadie and her family, won the infamous Sinker Award.

**Fan Favorite Award:** Laylah Coulston in "Short Bus" won by 1 vote followed by Eager Beaver and Grease Lightening. Most of the 130 spectators cast a vote and this creative creation won.

# Old 78 Farm Fall Festival OCT 6th Warwick, MA Rain or Shine

**October 6**: The festival is almost here and preparations are nearly completed. Thanks to an amazing crew and volunteers, the 9th Old 78 Farm Fall festival will be bigger and better than ever. <u>Tickets</u> are still available at our facebook event page for the advanced price of \$10, a \$5 savings over the gate price. This is a rain or shine event, so feel free to come with rain gear, including your easy up, and celebrate with us.

The 9th Annual Old 78 Farm Fall Festival will take place this year on October 6th at the Old 78 Farm at 823 Orange Road in the small "Right to Farm Community" of Warwick, MA. This family-friendly event brings the feel of a large music festival to a small town in the Massachusetts hills of the North Quabbin. Just as you'd expect, this event features craft vendors, amazing food, and award-winning local and nationally-known musical acts to delight everyone.

The Old 78 Farm Fall Festival is also proud of its commitment to the local community. Many of the craft vendors live in or around Warwick selling things such as handmade crystal-wrapped jewelry, recycled/reclaimed clothing, recycled glass candle holders, hula hoops, and other hand-crafted gifts. For the first time, we will be welcoming The Coloring Club from Northampton. During the day, Pixie Belle the Clown will be on hand to amuse the many children who join in the day's festivities with face painting and balloon creations. In the evening, the stage lights up to showcase music meant to keep you up and dancing late into the night.

Our loyal festival friends have come to expect food that is primarily grown on the property or from local farmers, including barbecue by championship team I'm a Hog for Q, Baby. There will also be amazing dishes from the Old 78 kitchen including squash soup, chili, quick breads, and hand-cut french fries. Don't forget to buy a jar of dilly beans, pickled beets or relish, because the canned goods sell out fast! And who could resist Grandma Lynn's pies, baked from scratch!

What about the music? This year's line-up features more first time bands than ever, and a few return performances. Greenfield's Colorway will make their debut, as will bluegrass band, August First. Also from Greenfield, blues and rock stylists, The Medicinal Purpose, will be making their first trip to Old 78. Award winning blues and soul artist, Dave Keller from Montpelier, Vermont will be returning for the first time since the inaugural Old 78 so many years ago with an energetic solo set. Rebel Alliance (MA) will arrive with their reggae rock jams for the fourth year in a row, and rice - An American Band (MA), the truly home grown band coming directly from Old 78 Farm itself will also make their fourth appearance. Also gracing our stages for the first time will be Northampton's Old Flame. Billboard AAA Top 40 Artists, Jocelyn & Chris Arndt, will bring their full band. For the first time, Long Arm Rex from Boston, will appear. They won the Pioneer Valley Battle of the Band competition for Strangecreek Campout, and their sound encompasses elements of rock, jam, and reggae.

In the past, other bands such as Bella's Bartok, Outer Stylie, Adam Ezra Group, Secret Sage, The Mary Jane Jones, Start Making Sense (Talking Heads tribute), Roots of Creation, Way Up South, Rhythm Inc., Llama Lasagne, Dead-Beat (Grateful Dead tribute), and After Fab (Beatles tribute) have graced the stage, and the list keeps growing.

<u>Tickets</u> are \$10 in advance and \$15 D.O.S. Children under 12 are free. Gates open at 11am and music starts at noon and plays continuously until 11pm. Please, no pets. This is a working farm, and we do not want to compromise the health and safety of our animals. Thank you.

The Old 78 festival organizers are always looking for volunteers from now until the festival ends; pre-festival set up (getting the grounds ready), day of the event (front gate, security, etc.), and clean up. Volunteers will have the opportunity to attend the festival free of charge. Email or call the farm if you are interested in being part of this grass-roots event. Save the date, and come out and enjoy a day of music and good company!

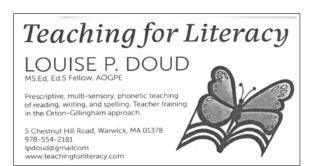
We are happy to announce the return of OIC (Orange Innovation Center), Montague Webworks, and the towns of Athol, New Salem, and Orange as valued sponsors for this year's festival. We are welcoming some some new sponsors this year, Berkshire Brewing Company and SLAP (Steele Lighting & Production). We are always looking for sponsors for our festival; please email or call the farm if you are interested in a sponsorship package.

This year's festival is supported in part by grants from the Athol, Orange, Petersham, and New Salem Cultural Councils, four local agencies which are supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.

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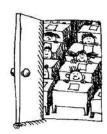
# "Meet The Artists" Reception Friday October 5 at 7pm

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# NEWS & TIDINGS WARWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Elizabeth Musgrave, Principal September 2018



# WE LOVE TO SHOW WHAT WE ARE LEARNING! OPEN HOUSE, 6-7pm October 4<sup>th</sup>

Our Open House provides opportunity to visit classrooms, meet teachers, and see the exciting learning that is going on in our classrooms every day. Our learners enjoy introducing their teachers and friends and showing visitors around their classroom and school.

THE CLASSROOM BUZZ... This month, we feature GRADES 1 and 2: First



and second graders have started their year so strong! They came into the classroom ready to learn and have been making great strides daily on their ability to follow classroom routines and expectations; while working together to build community and trying their best at quiet work times. We have a big and lively class this year. It's great to see new friendships start to form as we explore our classroom and the materials in it, as well

as through our discussions, and group, partner and independent work. Moving forward, we will begin more direct instruction in math, reading and writing. We'll also begin our first science unit of the year, as we study the sky, shadows, the sun and the stars!

Ms. Kristyn Gibbs

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# **CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED**

# Don't Miss these October events

GUILD MEETING—Oct 2

APPLE PIE BAKE AND SALE—Oct 2-6

ART SHOW AND SALE—Oct 5-8

WCS PRESERVATION COMMITTEE—Oct 9

FOOT CLINIC—Oct 12

MEET THE CANDIDATE—Oct 14

# **Town of Warwick**

#### Selectboard

# **August 13, 2018**

# **Minutes**

Members present: Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Highway Superintendent Larry Delaney, Buildings and Energy Committee Chair Janice Kurkoski, Bob Croke, Max Marcus (*Greenfield Recorder*)

# I. Call to Order

Chair Pruyne called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. in the Town Hall.

# II. Minutes

Erviti MOVED to approve the July 30, 2018 minutes as printed. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

# III. Presentations and Discussions

1. Appointments—Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo had given the Board a list of Election Workers and requested that they appoint the slate of poll workers for a term beginning September 1, 2018 and ending on August 31, 2018.

Erviti MOVED to appoint the slate of Election Workers as presented. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

- **2. Sign September 4, 2018 State Primary Election Warrant**—Both Pruyne and Erviti signed six copies of the election warrant, which will be posted by Constable George Day.
- **3.** Contracts—Janice Kurkoski explained that the Board needed to sign the first page of the Green Communities competitive grant again because of a change to the length of the term of the contract. She explained that it became apparent that not all work can be completed by March 31, 2019 or all funds expended by May 31, 2019 and so a one-year extension to the term of performance was approved. There was a consensus of the Board to sign the contract with the one-year extension.

Young presented the Board with two Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) between the

Town and the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District. One was for a third-party inspection of the Transfer Station at a cost of \$150.00 and the other was for the September 22, 2018 Household Hazardous Waste Day. Young explained that we have a grant from DEP that will cover half the total cost up to \$900.00. He said that residents call to declare their disposal needs in advance of September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Pruyne and Erviti both signed each MOU.

**4. Town's Options on Chapter 61 Conversions**—Young said that the Open Space Committee is updating the Open Space Plan and wants to adopt a formal procedure for acting on the Town's options for properties in Chapter 61. He explained that the Town has the right of first refusal to buy Chapter 61 properties that are up for sale and be taken out of the property tax current use program. Young said that the land near the Warwick Community School, a 24.85-acre field, is for sale and that we should make a decision soon.

Erviti said that his role on the ZBA might present a conflict and prevent him from being able to vote on certain properties, including the one just mentioned as there is also an action before the ZBA. He noted that the Planning Board and ZBA are working together to update the special permit forms and procedures.

Pruyne invoked the rule of necessity as Erviti had to recuse himself from the discussion and directed Young to look into the Town's funding and legal options to purchase Fred Lincoln's field.

- **5. Update on C2 Net Meter Credit Purchase Agreement**—Young said that the project in Clinton is starting to show net meter credits that began appearing on departmental National Grid electric bills this month, and per the contract will continue to do so for twenty years. He explained that we are buying electricity for 75 cents on the dollar (\$100 on a bill costs \$75.00).
- **6. Highway Department Organization** —Highway Superintendent Larry Delaney said that he asked the crew member considering retirement when he may retire and was told that he does know yet. Delaney said that he likely won't be told until the man is actually ready to retire. When asked his opinion, Delaney said that he thought it would likely be before winter due to this individual's dislike of plowing snow. Erviti asked if a replacement could be hired just for the winter months. Delaney said that two part-time people for winter works when there is a three-person full-time crew, and he would prefer a full-time hire. He pointed out that the new hire must posses both a truck and a hydraulic license.

Young suggested using more private contractors to facilitate efficient operation in winter. He said that there needed to be organization for snow removal, equipment repair and grant writing. Delaney pointed out that the use of more contractors may not allow for enough personnel in the daytime to go out and answer a call such as a report of a dangerously icy road before someone gets hurt. Young said that we have never failed a need yet. Delaney said that the contractors all drive one-ton trucks and not the bigger sander trucks which require a different license that none of the current contractors possess. Young said we should hire more small trucks and not plow smaller storms with the larger Town trucks. Delaney pointed out that the smaller trucks will not hold up to the segmented plows and noted that it is very rare that they plow without also having to treat the roads. He said that he asked the contractors to buy sanders for use on their own trucks but there was limited interest and the less expensive models do not calibrate the application of

salt. Erviti suggested that the Town buy and therefore own smaller sanders capable of calibrated application for use on the private trucks for the treatment of roads. Delaney estimated the cost at \$12,000.00 each; Erviti said there would have to be contracts in place that state the private contractor would be responsible and liable for any accidents or equipment damage. Pruyne asked about hiring a part-time office person to handle the paperwork which would allow Delaney more time to do work out on the roads. Young said that a job description had to be developed; Erviti said that the job had to be at an hourly rate so that the work can be done in the most cost-efficient manner. Young said that the job needs to include short-term and long-term planning, organization, prioritization, communication and grant writing to successfully increase efficiency. Pruyne said that he would develop a first draft of the job description; Erviti suggested scheduling an extra meeting so the two of them could work on it together. Delaney said that the road milling will begin on Wednesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> and is estimated to take five days, although he said he expected that it could take a bit longer. He noted that Wendell Road will be done first. Delaney said that he wants to rent a couple of lighted signs for the road closures, as Chief Shoemaker was unable to get any because the Sheriff's Department is using them.

7. Meetings and Events—Pruyne said that there will be a meeting to discuss the situation with Pioneer on Thursday, August 16, 2018 at 6 p.m. with the PVRSD School Committee, the Boards of Selectmen and Finance Committees from each of the four member towns, and State representatives. Young said that this meeting was called by the Northfield Finance Committee. He said at the last School Committee meeting they were asked to vote a budget amendment that would allow the elimination of the Vice Principal position at the high school. Young noted that he is very concerned about the path the District is on and commented that combining positions to save money but not getting the job done is a problem. He said that he had a copy of the new PVRSD Superintendent's plan that he would share with the Selectboard members. Pruyne noted that it is not a good strategy to allow teachers to be managing.

Young said that Stan Rosenberg will attend a Town Forest event, and that he hopes to schedule it in either September or October. He explained that the Town purchased the Victoria Shaw land on Wendell Road with grant funds from DCR because of Senator Rosenberg's earmarking money within a conservation bond bill.

**8. Selectboard Reports**— Erviti said that on Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> of August a truck took out a telephone pole on Route 78 just past Garage Road. He noted that wires came down along with the pole. Erviti said that he conferred with Police Chief Shoemaker at the scene, and that the Chief had been there for five hours at the time he came upon the scene on his way to the Transfer Station. He said that we have trouble with Verizon's response time to situations such as this and noted that one time it took Verizon twenty-two hours to resolve an issue and declared that this is unacceptable. Erviti pointed out that emergency vehicles might need to be re-routed and that Town personnel and vehicles are unavailable to respond to other situations when they have to remain on scene until Verizon arrives and resolves the issue. He said that he did not know how long it took Verizon to respond and take care of the situation, but he did know that National Grid

arrived on scene and took care of its part within two hours of the accident. Erviti noted that the system works against a timely response, as sending out a team on the weekend jeopardizes the budget and possible bonus pay for some workers and indicated that Verizon does not want to spend the money to move the lines. He wanted to communicate to Verizon the Town's dissatisfaction with its response time and our expectation that this needs to be addressed and rectified. Young said that Town Counsel can be consulted about possibly folding this in with the current agreement for fiber upgrades. Pruyne said that he will contact Town Counsel Jeremia Pollard on how best to handle and pursue this matter with Verizon.

- **9. Coordinator Report** There was nothing to add to the written report.
- 10. New and Other Business Unanticipated at Time of Meeting Posting—Young said that the Library had a list of items to be declared surplus property: Califone 3410C cassette player (may not work); Compaq Presario 2200 lap top computer with case, WiFi card and charger; Dell Latitude D610 laptop with charger; Dell Latitude D610 laptop; InFocus Digital projector with case (needs a part); Ricoh Aticio 1515F copier with an extra toner 1170D (copier does not work); Toastmaster hot plate; Oak table with two small drawers with fixable broken leg and unfinished top.

# Erviti MOVED to declare all items on the list surplus property. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Young said that there was a request from the family of Frank and Edward Witherall for a plaque honoring them as the contractors who built Town Hall. The request stipulated that the plaque not be larger than the one in place for the Town Hall architect Fuller. Young said that he will look into this further and come back to the Board for final approval.

Young explained that he was working on a new copier lease, because after three years the lese no longer includes service. The possibility of having the old copier moved over to the Police Department was discussed.

Animal Control Officer Fratangelo informed the Board that she will be inspecting the fencing at 460 Richmond Road on August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. She noted that the fence chosen by Ms. Findlay Stewart was invisible fencing and not the chain link that was ordered by the Selectboard. Fratangelo expressed skepticism that this type of fencing will prevent as many as six large dogs from running into the road. Young noted that the dogs will have to be properly trained so as to know the boundaries and be unwilling to cross them. Erviti suggested that she have the dog owners stand outside the fence perimeter and call the dogs to prove that they will not run through it.

# 11. Public Comment—None.

# IV. Adjournment

# Pruyne MOVED to adjourn at 7:44 p.m. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

# Documents consulted at this meeting:

- \*Draft Minutes of July 30, 2018
- \*Town Coordinator Report dated August 9, 2018
- \*Revised Green Communities Competitive Grant Contract
- \*MOU by and between Franklin County Solid Waste Management District and the Town of Warwick regarding Third-Party Inspection of the Town's Municipal Transfer Station
- \* MOU by and between Franklin County Solid Waste Management District and the Town of Warwick for Household Hazardous Waste Day
- \*List of Election Workers requested by Town Clerk for Appointment by Selectboard: Calvin Fellows, Beth Gilgun, Pat Vandenberg, Clare Green, Dan Dibble, Jaylin Dibble, Fredericka Fellows, Ann Kendell, Arthur Long, Judy Johnson, Sheryl Fontaine, Carol Foote, Barbara Walker, Nancy Kilhart, Diana Tandy, Andrea Woods, Jessica Foote, Regina Curtis, Susan Wright, Karro Frost, Christine Duerring, Helen Whipple, Rod Whipple, Martha Morse, Tracey Weed, Rita McConville, Maria Ruggiero, Tom Wyatt, Gloria Varno, Gordon Ellis, Diane Ellis

# **Town of Warwick**

#### Selectboard

# August 27, 2018

# Minutes

Members present: Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Dawn Magi, Bob Croke, Kevin Alden

# I. Call to Order

Chair Pruyne called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall.

# II. Minutes

Erviti MOVED to approve the August 13, 2018 minutes as printed. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

# III. Presentations and Discussions

1. **Verizon Upgrade and Repairs**—Young spoke about the promised upgrade by Verizon, saying he had received assurances from Ellen Cummings that all components are on order and that they want the install to be completed before the ground freezes. He noted that in his conversation with Ms. Cummings he did not address the issue of slow response to scenes involving downed wires. Young said that some junction boxes between the Orange line and Hockanum Road had been worked on already.

Erviti said that he had asked Police Chief Shoemaker to check with police departments in other towns about their experiences with Verizon's response time with respect to downed wires. He said the Chief had told him that his initial impression would be that it is about the same as ours. Erviti stated that if this is true then all the towns should get together and present a united front when dealing with Verizon on this issue. Young said he could check with other town managers for their input as well. Erviti said that he would wait for more information from Young and Shoemaker. He asked Young to check with Town Counsel for an opinion on how best to proceed, specifically whether this can be handled along with the upgrade and repairs or whether it is best kept as a separate issue.

**2. Selectboard Reports**—Pruyne said that he met the new PVRSD Superintendent and cannot yet tell what this man's role will be and if he will put things on the right track. Pruyne noted that

the School Committee meeting held last week was basically a rehash of what has been said at previous meetings and was not very substantial.

Erviti said that he had Emailed the other member towns' Selectboards and so far had only heard back from Northfield. He said the purpose of his Email was to encourage all four member towns meet and come to a mutual agreement on the PVRSD budget. Erviti said that the response he received from Northfield was to wait until October. Erviti said he would again Email Leyden and Bernardston if he had no word from them by the end of this week. Pruyne noted that at the last School Committee meeting there was a good discussion about forming an advisory panel made up of members from the governments of all four member towns.

- 3. Coordinator Report—Young commented on the PVRSD School Committee meeting. He said that the proposed advisory panel would be made up of representatives from each of the four towns and include the School Committee members plus two people appointed by the Moderator. Young said that he found it appalling that the person from DESE (Department of Early and Secondary Education) spoke inaccurately on budgets versus assessments and capital debt versus repudiation of capital debt. He said that he was angered by what he called the continuation of the mythology of surprise over the whole situation and the perception that we do not communicate well. As Budget Committee Chair, Young expressed concern that he just received an updated budget last week which may work on paper but not in reality which would in turn lead to another budget fiasco. He said that he felt the last meeting had no value at all and said we need the overseer to stop the District from running unchecked. Young noted that the majority resist change and downsizing and that at this point he sees no hope for a consensus. Kevin Alden said that the Board needs to have a meeting with the people and decide what is the general direction in which we want to go and how to adjust the budget. Erviti pointed out that it
- **4.** New and Other Business Unanticipated at Time of Meeting Posting—Young said that he forgot to ask that the electrical aggregation deal with Colonial Power be placed on this agenda, so he wanted it put on the agenda for the next meeting as a discussion item.

will be more impactful if all four towns agree and bring it forward together.

**5. Public Comment**—Kevin Alden said that he has formed a Highway Advisory Committee with four people from different areas of town: Bob Croke, Dave Lambert, Vern Bass and Todd Dexter. Alden said that they have already met twice and have met with Highway Superintendent Larry Delaney. He said that they will meet with the Conservation Commission on September 17<sup>th</sup> to hopefully reach a ditch clean-out and general maintenance agreement to make things run more smoothly without the need to meet for every project. Pruyne said that the advisory committee should come up with projects for the Highway Department and also research the personnel policy too see if it would be possible to rotate shifts.

Young said that we need to evaluate and assess what is needed to improve efficiency and prioritize effectively. With regards to the Secretary/Assistant position, Young foresees the process taking at least a couple of months for evaluation, the development of a job description and determination of the necessary qualifications for applicants. Pruyne said that it is clear that the Highway Department needs to evolve.

**6. Review Rules for Going Into Executive Session** —Young read aloud the ten specific reasons for going into executive session. He suggested that the Board consult with Town Counsel or labor counsel prior to calling an executive session for reorganization of the Highway Department.

Erviti said that he had conducted research gathering information from larger towns and went through point by point what a highway superintendent should do. He declared that our current Highway Superintendent has exhibited a failure to plan in every respect. Erviti suggested that potentially the way to deal with this is to hire an individual to do the planning, which would free up Larry Delaney for overseeing the Highway crew out on the roads. He said that he felt having someone in place to do the planning would be a good direction in which to go. Alden asked if the town should have a road commission who oversees the Highway Department, creates assignments and generates projects. He cited to the 3-person commission in Wendell as an example. Dawn Magi said that she had told Delaney that he needs to do planning but that he may not really understand what planning is. She said that Delaney is very willing to do the regular work but needs some help and direction with the administrative work. Alden said that Delaney is more of a worker than a manager and that he is good at getting his crew out to work. He suggested that we look at towns our size to compare expenses and procedures. Bob Croke said that the advisory committee can assist Delaney with planning. Young said that assessment with possible reorganization, pavement assessment and planning, and data gathering could ultimately result in a potential change in job title and pay rate.

As Pruyne will not be available for the regularly scheduled meeting September 10<sup>th</sup>, there was a consensus of the Board that the next meeting will be held Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. in Town Hall.

# IV. Adjournment

# Erviti MOVED to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Documents consulted at this meeting:

- \*Draft Minutes of August 13, 2018
- \*Town Coordinator Report dated August 23, 2018
- \*Open Meeting Law Guide Office Commonwealth of Massachusetts Attorney General Maura Healey October 6, 2017
- \*Town of Warwick Job Description for Highway Superintendent