Warwick Community Newsletter

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Animal Control 3402
Animal Contr Pager 217-2681
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Total: $471.00
Please help us keep the Newsletter going! If you would like to make a donation, please make your check out to WCN and mail it to 32 Athol Road, Warwick, MA 01378.

LETTER OF THANKS

A special thanks for all the support after my surgery. The prayers, cards, soups and many offers of help were great. Thanks.
- Oliver Fellows

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Save the Date: Please join the Warwick Historical Society’s quarterly meeting on March 15, Wednesday, 7 PM, at the Warwick Public Library. Charlie Brown of So. Holden Rd. will share stories of Warwick’s Yesteryears. Charlie is a walking treasure trove of Warwick’s history. Come enjoy this program of storytelling of Warwick’s past. You are also welcomed to enjoy some refreshments and to stay for the meeting portion of the Warwick Historical Society, if you like. Please note that this is a change of location for the WHS meeting place. It will be at the Library. - Clare Green
**W O M E N ’ S G U I L D**

The Guild will meet on Tuesday, February 7 at 1:00 pm in the basement of the Town Hall. We are pleased that Jeanne Abels, a retired speech pathologist and newly minted Warwick resident, will join us for a presentation. Jeanne will tell us about speech disorders and their treatment. A business meeting and refreshments will follow. And remember, the Guild programs are open to ALL members of the community. Hope to see you there!  

- Martha Morse

**WARWICKIANS ON-LINE - How to subscribe**

If you can send and receive e-mail, you can sign up for WarwickList, our town’s on-line discussion group, founded by Ed Hawes during Old Home Days in 1996. Anything that would interest people who live here is appropriate. To join us, write to warwicklist-request@freelists.org with the subject Subscribe. In the message body give your full name, street address, phone number, and, if you’re not a resident, a sentence or two saying why you want to join. You’ll get a message saying your request has been forwarded for approval. Miryam Williamson, the listowner, will approve it, and you’ll start receiving list mail. Also, you will automatically get the Community Newsletter by e-mail.

**LIBRARY**

New Books: Marriage Lie by Belle, Map Thief by Blanding, Good Omens by Pratchett & Gaiman, Snow Child by Ivey, Forest Trees of Massachusetts, Dry by Harper, Sleepwalker by Bojalian, Hidden Figures by Setterly, The Day the World Came to Town by DeFede, Swingtime by Smith.

New DVDs: The BFG, Sully, Miss Peregrine’s Home for Peculiar Children, Black Books season1-3.

New books and DVDs are arriving all the time. Come in and see what’s new.

-Nancy Hickler, Director

**THE GATHERING PLACE**

The Gathering Place will be celebrating its third anniversary in February, the first Gathering was held 07 February 2013, 23 people attended. Come on over and see what’s cooking.

The Gathering Place menu is available each week on the L, Warwick Web and TCC Facebook page. Gatherings are held Fridays in the Town Hall Dining Room, from 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM. Coffee for $1.00 ready at 10:00 AM, Cup of Soup for $3.50, ½ Sandwich for $2.00. Have both (Cup and a half) for $4.50 starting at 11:30 AM. Desserts anytime. Need lunch to go, bring a container for soup and we’ll pack lunch for you. 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), is attempting to be more available to Warwick Residents. Tracy will be at the Gathering on Friday, 10 and 24 February. 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 bringing application forms for various programs. Got questions, need assistance, stop in between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM.

I have local honey, pure and natural from Hagerman’s Apiary: 8 ounce bottle $3.00; 16 ounce bottle $6.00. Should be available all winter.

-Diana Tandy

**ANIMAL CONTROL**

**RABIES CLINIC:** Please mark your calendars now: Warwick's annual Rabies Clinic will be held on Saturday, March 11 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Fire Station. Once again, services will be provided by Dr. Brian Hurley and staff from Gardner Animal Care Center. Please remember that they ask that all dogs be on leash and cats be in carriers. More information will be in the March newsletter.—Rosa Fratangelo
RECREATION COMMITTEE WINTER OUTDOOR ACTIVITY DAY

Warwick recreation committee is hosting a family winter outdoor activity day

Saturday February 18     Time 12-3pm
Where: Richmond Road Reservoir (parking at old prison camp)

Activities will be determined by the weather!
Bring your gear for a guided trip on x-country skis, snowshoes, or foot around the pond.
If the ice is safe there will be skating and an ice fishing demonstration
* hotdogs, chips and hot chocolate sponsored by recreation committee.
Questions or feedback leannelimoges@gmail.com or call Leanne at -5553
If you have gear to lend or are in need of some please contact me.

Broadband Committee

We’re hoping that we may be able to help answer some questions about what Warwick’s Broadband service can bring to your home. We know that many in town have poor landline service. You may be wondering if you could cancel landline and use cell technology in your home instead. So we are starting with Wi-Fi calling.

What is Wi-Fi calling?
Instead of using your cell carrier’s network connection, you can make voice calls via a Wi-Fi network. That could mean using a Wi-Fi connection you have set up at home, or whatever Wi-Fi hotspot you happen to be on when you’re out and about, such as at a cafe or library. In most ways, it’s like any other phone call, and you still use regular phone numbers.

What carriers and phones support this service?
All four major US carriers (T-Mobile, Sprint, AT&T and Verizon) provide built-in Wi-Fi calling and have quite a few capable phones. Republic Wireless and Google Project Fi provide Wi-Fi calling on certain phones too. You’ll need to check through your handset’s Settings menu to see if you have it. Many in town have Verizon service and there is some good information here Wi-Fi Calling FAQs

Does it cost more?
For domestic calls, it doesn't cost any extra as such. But making calls over Wi-Fi can come out of your regular minutes allowance or your data limit, depending on your carrier and your phone plan. Be sure to read the policies of your carrier to see if any of their potential restrictions and charges relate to your situation.

This info was gathered in part from a CNET, August 2016 article.

Please let us know what your tech questions are—we’re especially interested in your questions about Broadband and what services you may be able to use with the faster service currently being put in place. Send your questions to tom@tomwyattphoto.com or andrea@woods4.com and we will try to provide more useful tips.
NEW YEARS SPECIAL—BUY ONE CLASS GET TWO FREE
Attn: Men and women and teens have all enjoyed and benefited from these programs.
We have scheduled 5 exercise classes each week to help you meet your fitness goals in the New Year. Please give them a try. We welcome newcomers and all instructors have modifications to fit your needs.
* Most classes are held at our beautiful school gymnasium. We encourage you to use this space. It is yours to enjoy! Bring water, mat /towel and indoor shoes.
Please send feedback to Leannelimoges@gmail.com or call me -5553

YOGA     Wednesdays 5-6pm at WCS and Saturdays 9-10 am at Town Hall
An all level Hatha Yoga class to meet students needs, with an emphasis on proper alignment , Pranayama - breathing technique, deep relaxation and meditation. A dynamic, yet harmonious approach to cultivate strength , physical awareness and inner balance.
Taught by Warwick resident Kalliope Kalombratsos

STRONG.      Tuesdays  6-7 pm
Be ready to sweat and see results ! This is a powerful new program that is sweeping across the country. Not dance, but music led interval training that will challenge you to be healthier and stronger . $5 Taught by Christine Rouleau

NEW: TWO ZUMBA.CLASSES    Sundays   8-9 am and Thursdays 6-7 pm
Dance fitness performed to energetic music ; hip hop, samba, salsa, mambo, Brazilian funk and country ! Many people have enjoyed this class for the past 5 years .. New comers welcome, very fun . $5 .
Instructor ; Christine Rouleau
Thursdays 6-7 pm taught by Susan Krieger. Congratulations to her, she is now licensed to teach Zumba!

Warwick Council on Aging

Foot Clinic Schedule for 2017
Metcalf Chapel – 8:00-8:30 AM

July 20
Feb 16    Aug 17   Note: These dates are THURSDAYS
March 16   Sept 21
April 20   Oct 19
May 18     Nov 16
June 15    Dec 21

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.
**Warwick Musician**

**Santina King** CD Release Show  
Iron Horse Music Hall  
Thursday, Feb. 16th 7pm  
Tickets- $12.50/advance - $15.00/day of show

Joining Santina on stage will be  
Rick King, Guitar  
Rico Spence - Bass  
Dave Coffey - Drums  
Opening act - Bruce King & Dennis Avery  
New CD available locally at Mim's Market - Northfield  
or by email: tonia@creativevoicemedia.com  
www.santinaking.com and facebook page  
www.facebook.com/santina.king

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**CLASSIFIED AD**

WANT TO HAVE IT ALL? STAY AT HOME WITH THE KIDS AND EARN A PAYCHECK?  
Train to become a school bus driver and you will work the school calendar with your kids or bring smaller one’s on the bus with you so there is no need for daycare. Enjoy nights, weekends, holidays, summers and snow days OFF, paid training and paid sick time! If you have a good driving record and a clean criminal record let us turn YOU into a professional school bus driver. Openings available in Warwick. Call 413-863-2595 Ext. 15 to schedule an interview.

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**REVIEW**

Theater at the Mount (aka TAM)  
Fine Arts Wing of Mount Wachusett Community College  
444 Green Street  
Gardner, MA 01440  
978-630-9388  
www.MWCC.edu/tam

Not my usually review this month as I am slowly running out of new places to eat. So thought I would mix it up a little with some other suggestions.

I’ve been a season ticket holder to Theater at the Mount going on 30 years and I have yet to go to a bad performance. Local talent is unbelievable. And the variety of shows is wonderful, comedies, dramas and musicals. If you like “live” theater you will love TAM.

The shows run 2 weeks, Friday and Saturday nights at 8 PM, and Sunday matinees at 2 PM. Regular prices are $22 for the evening performances and $17 for the matinees, Students (under the age 16) run $15. Season tickets are the best bargain. There are 5 shows per year and all 5 shows are $75 plus a handling fee which I think is $3, so your average ticket price is $17.20 for evening performances.

Since this is the beginning of the new season, I thought I would tell you about the upcoming shows this year.

- **Sister Act** runs February 24 to March 5th  
- **Boeing, Boeing** runs June 16 to June 25  
- **Ragtime** runs August 11 to August 20  
- **Vanya + Sonia + Masha + Spike** runs October 6 to October 15  
- **A Christmas Carol** runs November 24 to December 3rd

So as you can see, they spread the 5 shows out quite nicely with breaks in between. I highly recommend you give it a try, I think you will be pleasantly surprised. When I first started I tried one show, like it, went to another, like it, and the story goes that the next year, I was a season ticket holder. You get the better pick of seats but all seats are good, none are obstructed. And as a season ticket holder, you get a choice of seats. So, give it a try, I think you will like it. - Gloria Varno
2017 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING &
ANNUAL TOWNELECTION Calendar

Annual Town Meeting: Monday, 1, 2017 7 p.m.

Election Day: Monday, May 15, 2017
Polls Open: 12 noon – 7 p.m.

Last Day to Obtain Nomination Papers: Thursday, March 23, 2017 Deadline: 5 p.m.

Last Day to Submit Nomination Papers to Town Clerk: Monday, March 27, 2017
   Deadline: 5 p.m.

Last Day to Object or Withdraw: Wednesday, April 12, 2017 Deadline: 5 p.m.

Last Day to Register Voters for Annual Town Meeting and Annual Town Election:
   Tuesday, April 11, 2017 Town Clerk office open 2p.m. – 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. – 8p.m
   *Anyone who will turn 18 on or before May 1st may pre-register to vote!*

Number of Signatures Required on Nomination Papers: 20

Office and Length of Term            Incumbent

SELECTMAN                           3 years      James Erviti
TOWN CLERK                          3 years      Rosa Fratangelo
ASSESSOR                            3 years      Ann Kendall
BOARD of HEALTH                     3 years      Helen Whipple
CEMETERY COMMISSIONER               3 years      David Shoemaker
CONSTABLE                           3 years      Brian Peters.
LIBRARY TRUSTEE                     3 years      Fredericka Fellows
LIBRARY TRUSTEE                     3 years      Elaine Reardon
TRANSFER STATION COMMISSIONER       3 years      David Koester
TREE WARDEN                         1 year      Sharon Matthews
   Appointed to fill vacancy until May 15, 2017 election
Wooden Fender Winter Concert Series

We had a great Souper Supper and after dinner show with Colorway in January. One by one, the soups, chili, breads, and desserts disappeared from the groaning board and were soon fueling the rambunctious aerobic activity on the dance floor. Colorway wowed the crowd and a day later, sent us a gracious thank you note that commented not only on the “phenomenal food”, but also the “amazing people” that they met, and expressed a desire to return and perform for us and experience our warm Warwickian hospitality once again. But for now, it’s time to look forward to Blues Night 2017!

Dinner and Concert – Saturday, February 11, Warwick Town Hall

No one, it seems, remembers when the first Blues Night happened at the Warwick Town Hall. However, everyone does agree that it was Jeff Wallace who made it happen, and that it was already a February tradition by the time of Jeff’s untimely death in 2001. For Jeff, Blues Night meant a night to jam, improvise, and have fun with other area musicians. For the people who turned out, it was (and still is) a way to leave behind the winter blues for a while and shake off cabin fever. Rick King and Tonia Nestico kept Blues Night alive for a time, then Wooden Fender invented itself in 2006 and has kept the tradition going. In case you didn’t know, inspiration for the name Wooden Fender came from Jeff’s rusted old truck and the wooden fender he fabricated to pass a failed inspection. (Yes, you can!)

For Blues Night 2017 we are thrilled to have Janet Ryan and her band. Ryan's performances have inspired audiences throughout the Northeast and her recent recordings have garnered national acclaim. She is a powerful and soulful vocalist and lyricist. Her music and its exquisite execution evoke shades of Etta James, Aretha Franklin, Janice Joplin, and more. Ray Chaput's masterful guitar work, rooted in old-school blues style, but with a bit of funk, propels the music. Keyboard artist Joe (get-up-and-dance) Elliot keeps the groove on track. Bassist extraordinaire, Guy DeVito, and drummer John Koko hold down the bottom.

You really don't want to miss this performance. Put on your dancing shoes or just come and listen to some of the best blues and funky soul to be found anywhere in the universe.

Blues Night is sponsored by a generous donation from Michael Humphries Woodworking.

Mark your calendars:

Feb. 11: Janet Ryan, Trinitarian Church Pizza Dinner
March 18: Shokazoba, Trinitarian Church St. Patrick's Day Dinner
April 15: Khalif Neville, Moore's Pond Beach Committee Lasagna Dinner

At 6:00 PM the Trinitarian Congregational Church will be serving their famous Pizza Supper. Because you’re SURE to wear off the calories, come have some GREAT HOMEMADE PIZZA before you dance! They’ll be lots of great toppings to choose from. Gluten Free pizza also available.

At 7:00 PM the concert starts in the main hall. Donations are gratefully accepted at the door to support Wooden Fender's ongoing endeavor - in memory of Jeff Wallace - to keep live music happening in Warwick. Wooden Fender is a project of the Warwick Arts Council.
Dear Friends,

This month, the Newsletter deadline falls on “Inauguration Day” the day we celebrate the “peaceful transfer” of political power; the hallmark of our democratic process. But this year, the actual process is far from smooth. There are protests planned for many weeks to come. Vitriolic public accusations are flying on all forms of media; fear, anger and hatred abound. Boundaries are hardened. Pledges of loyalty are demanded. Compromise is tantamount to betrayal. In the words of Michael Stipe, of the band R.E.M., “It’s the end of the world as we know it, …and I feel fine”.

Well, I don’t feel fine, but I do feel hopeful; but only if we can stop demeaning “the Other” and start being honest with ourselves and each other. This means risking vulnerability and it won’t be easy. It will require a long-term commitment to remain engaged, open and compassionate.

The first step is being honest with ourselves. We all live with a set of assumptions of what is right, moral and ethical. The basis of those assumptions needs to be periodically examined. We need to “question authority”, or in the words of the Apostle Paul, “test the spirits”. Not with a cynical mindset that simply rejects both, but in a manner of inquiry that is open to the possibility of changing our minds and to accepting our share of the responsibility for where we are and where we are headed. The religious term for this is “repent”, turn around; take a look at the trail of debris we have left in our wake so we might be able to avoid the same mistakes in the future.

But the word ‘repent” has itself too often been used, against those who raise questions, by religious authorities to mean, stop questioning and stop rebelling, come back into the fold. It has been used to defend the hierarchical institution against the individual and the Christian church has in no way been free of this usage. Author and public theologian Rev Brian McLaren is a passionate advocate for a “new kind of Christianity”, one that can “face the dark sides of our Christian past… a lineage that stretches from (Emperor) Constantine (313 CE) to contemporary American and European politics: the tradition of racial and religious privilege and supremacy – specifically white and Christian privilege and supremacy.” Rev Richard Rohr, Franciscan monk and theologian, concurs, “…the impact of the church’s collusion with empire must be confessed or we will never be free from it. It also helps us understand why so many have given up on Christianity and often, unfortunately, thrown out the baby with the bathwater…Ironically, the undoing of slavery, misogyny, oppression and massive injustice has proceeded from cultures that were influenced by the Gospel.” One need only look at the process of the “Truth and Reconciliation Commission” in South Africa headed by Archbishop Desmond Tutu to see that religiously grounded individuals can make a significant contribution to positive change. Or Dr. Martin Luther King Jr who challenged this nation to confront and repent our policies of white privilege and supremacy. It cost him his life and we still haven’t acknowledged the underlying systemic biases that are once again, or still, tearing us apart.

Lent is a time, in the church year, when we are called to look at our lives as individuals and as communities, to see where we have strayed from our stated principles of love and compassion. The beginning of that process is repentance, looking back, accepting some responsibility for the departure and asking of forgiveness and help to begin anew. Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, is the traditional day of confession and commitment. This year it falls on March 1 and there will be a service at the Metcalf Chapel led by Rev Dr. Gordon Ellis. This might be a good time to start a process of personal and communal inventory; what are my values and how have I lived them out in my life and my community? Then, going into the world knowing that we are accepted, we can change ourselves and the world.

In hopeful faith,  Dan
UP COMING EVENTS

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY  FEB 5 & 12  We will again be collecting donations for the Orange Food Pantry and the Western MA Food Bank. We will be collecting both monetary donations and food and personal care items. If you would like to make a donation, you may drop it off at the Chapel and we will send it on to those two organizations. Checks may be made out to TCC with “Souper Bowl” on the message line.

PIZZA & BLUES NIGHT  Sat, Feb 11  6 PM  Come eat some awesome, homemade pizza with fresh toppings and indulge in some homemade cookies and brownies, then dance off those calories to some home grown music.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE – MARCH 1  7 PM
The “Imposition of Ashes” on the first day of Lent has been an important and powerful ritual for the Christian church since the 6th century. It has not been a part of our community for too long a time, but will be celebrated this year with a 30 to 45 minute service of music and word that will focus on the meaning and history of this ritual, ending with an imposition of ashes for any who wish to receive them. The service will be led by Rev Dr. Gordon Ellis who has led such a service for his forty years of pastoral leadership.

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”.

BLANKETS/SHEETS/PILLOW CASES/ ETC

SINGLE & TWIN SIZE sheets (the shelters only have twin beds and mattresses) blankets and pillowcases, towels and washcloths are collected and taken to the area shelters. Bring clean and useful items to the Chapel and we will get them to the shelters. PLEASE, NO MORE CLOTHING ITEMS. The shelter no longer accepts them and I end up taking them to “Hazel’s Closet” in Orange or Salvation Army

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.
Note: Due to space constraints, the Selectboard minutes printed in the Newsletter will only reflect attendance and motions and votes. Full minutes can be found on the Warwick website www.warwickma.org or from the Town Hall. Electronic subscribers will get the full minutes. See “Newsletter Extra”

Town of Warwick
Selectboard Meeting Minutes

December 19, 2016

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne

Member via Remote Participation: James Erviti (joined at 6:05 p.m.)

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Finance Committee member Steve Ruggiero, Jon Calcari, Jared Robinson (Athol Daily News)

Pruyne MOVED to approve the minutes of December 5, 2016 as printed. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to approve the part-time hires of Martin Vogt, George Roaf and Robert Kirley as plow truck drivers at the previously authorized hourly rate of $16.50. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

At 6:45 p.m., Pruyne MOVED to adjourn. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0: Magi – AYE; Pruyne – AYE; Erviti - AYE.

$5 New Year’s Special—Buy One Get Two Free! $5
Fitness Classes in the Country with Christine Rouleau
At the Gymnasium in the Warwick Community School
41 Winchester Road, Warwick MA 01378

Tuesdays 6-7pm
Sundays 8-9am

Strong FITNESS
All Levels, All Ages, All Genders—Everyone is Welcome!
Go at Your Own Pace –Sponsored by Warwick Recreation Committee

Warwickians On-Line
If you can send and receive email, you can sign up for the Warwick-L, our town’s on-line discussion group. Anything that pertains to Warwick and the people who live here is appropriate. To join us, send an email to message to miryam@mwilliamson.com including your full name, address, phone number, and if you are not a resident, a sentence or two saying why you want to join.
Wooden Fender Presents

Janet Ryan

7:00pm Saturday February 11, 2017 at the Warwick Town Hall

Janet Ryan, aka “Mama Soul”, blends the wailing voice of the blues with a unique soulful sound that takes her music to another level. In Janet’s singing and songwriting, you can hear and feel the influence of Etta James and Janis Joplin, the blues of Buddy Guy and Junior Wells, and the soul of Otis Redding and Aretha Franklin. Janet will be backed by some of the valley’s finest musicians -- guitarist Ray Chaput, keyboardist and songwriter Joe Elliot, bassist Guy DeVito, and drummer John Koko. This band will maintain a rockin’ blues groove with a touch of funk and a lot of soul that will keep you on the dance floor and leave you wanting more. They’re coming to play the blues for you. Don’t miss them!

Shake off your winter Blues and head to the dance floor at Warwick Town Hall. For longer than anyone can remember we’ve all gathered in February for Blues Night. We want you to push back your winter doldrums, banish cabin fever, and help us light up the night.

Blues Night is being sponsored by a generous donation from Michael Humphries Woodworking. Our concerts are also funded by your donations ($5 minimum suggested) and support our mission of bringing live music to Warwick.

Because you’re SURE to wear off the calories, come have some GREAT HOMEMADE PIZZA before you dance!! There will be lots of great toppings to choose from. Gluten Free pizza also available.

Blues Night Pizza Supper Menu

6pm—Saturday, February 11th at Warwick Town Hall

Homemade Cheese Pizza $3 per slice
Pizza w/toppings $3.50 per slice
Salad $2.00
Desserts $.50

All proceeds support the Mission projects of the Trinitarian Congregational Church of Warwick. We donate every dollar to local and worldwide charities.
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THE GATHERING PLACE - FRIDAYS - 10am - Town Hall
BLUES NIGHT / PIZZA NIGHT—February 11
WOMENS GUILD - February 7
REC COMMITTEE OUTDOOR ACTIVITY DAY—February 18
Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne
Member via Remote Participation: James Erviti (joined at 6:05 p.m.)
Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Finance Committee member Steve Ruggiero, Jon Calcari, Jared Robinson (Athol Daily News)

I. Call to Order
Chair Magi called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm in the Town Hall.

II. Minutes
Pruyne MOVED to approve the minutes of December 5, 2016 as printed. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

III. Presentations and Discussions
1. Part-time Plow Truck Drivers—Young explained that while the Board voted the pay rate for part-time plow truck drivers, they did not vote to approve the drivers themselves
Pruyne MOVED to approve the part-time hires of Martin Vogt, George Roaf and Robert Kirley as plow truck drivers at the previously authorized hourly rate of $16.50. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

2. Cellular—Young said that he met with members of the Broadband Committee to gauge their interest in pursuing cell service as a part of their mission. He said they have only a mild interest in conducting a survey of what residents have and what they want. Young said if something doesn’t happen during the next year of the Broadband build they will probably do something with wi-fi voice overlay.
Erviti joined the meeting at 6:05 p.m. via remote participation.
Pruyne said that he thought the town should offer cellular service to residents to boost the appeal of living here; Magi concurred. Young noted that having cell service is also a safety issue. Erviti inquired about costs and timing. Young explained that radio waves propagate the same so places that are strong or weak remain consistent. He also said that the $450,000.00 broadband grant has nothing to do with cellular. He said that the installation of 60-foot treated wood poles and the internet backhaul will be completed before bringing cellular service to town.
3. **Energy and Green Communities**—Young said that the Town Hall heat pump project has been legally posted for bid again with the deadline for bids of January 23, 2017. He also said that the net meter host project in West Brookfield and Ware will be physically installed by January 1, 2017 but no revenue will be seen before March 31, 2017.

4. **Broadband**—Young said that he, Tom Wyatt and Dawn Magi had a telephone conference with MBI on the terms of the construction grant. He noted that they must go before the executive committee of Massachusetts Technology Collaborative, the parent organization of MBI, in late January for final ratification of the $450,000.00 grant. Young said that we will receive three payments of $150,000.00 each: one at the beginning, another at 50% of distribution capacity, and the last after completion of the build and 96% of the Town’s residents have been reached and download speed of 25Mb per second and upload speed of 3Mb per second is achieved. He said that he has the sense that the $86,000.00 already spent on the build will be included under the grant.

Pruyne said that he wanted to have a meeting with the Selectboard and Warwick Broadband staff. Young suggested a daytime meeting be scheduled after Christmas; the Board members concurred.

5. **Vacant Property Update**— Young said that he had met with the couple who purchased the property on east Wilson Road, and that the Planning Board is still working with FRCOG for the initial (historic) environmental study.

6. **Set Personnel Policy Hearing**—Young suggested Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. for a hearing on the proposed changes to the Town’s Personnel Policy. There was a consensus of the to hold the hearing one that date at that time. Young said that the Highway Department employees pointed out a problem with vacation accrual and that he will confer with Town Counsel on the language for that issue.

7. **Selectboard Reports**—There were no reports given at this meeting.

8. **Coordinator Report**—Young said that there will be a meeting on Tuesday, January 10, 2017 with the Selectboards and Finance Committees of all four towns along the School Committee members to discuss the FY 18 PVRSD budget. The meeting will be held in Bernardston.

9. **Public Comment**—Ruggiero inquired about the firearms policy; Magi said the Selectboard’s intent was to ban firearms only within Town Hall itself.

10. **New and Other Business Unanticipated at Time of Meeting Posting**—None.

**IV. Adjournment**

At 6:45 p.m., Pruyn MOVED to adjourn. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0: Magi – AYE; Pruyn – AYE; Erviti - AYE.
Documents consulted at this meeting:
*Draft Minutes of Selectboard meeting of December 5, 2016
*Coordinator Report dated December 15, 2016
*PVRSD Agenda for December 8, 2016 meeting
*PVRSD Budget FY 18 Presentations
*PVRSD Budget Subcommittee meeting minutes of February 4, 2016
*PVRSD Pre-K FY 18 Enrollment Projection
*PVRSD Kindergarten FY 18 Enrollment Projection
*PVRSD Actual and Projected Enrollment Trends FY 13 – FY 19
*PVRSD Staff FY 18
*W. Mass Salary Survey Information
*PVRSD Budget Subcommittee meeting agenda for December 15, 2016
*Minutes of December 8, 2016 PVRSD Budget School Committee meeting