Warwick Community Newsletter

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All articles, ads and correspondence may be emailed to andrea@woods4.com (or call 544-6844 eves.) or left at the Library book/drop-box or the envelope just outside the kitchen on the first floor of the Metcalf Chapel by the 20th of the month before the article will run. Please note the following changes to WCN publication rules: In order to save paper and postage, we are no longer accepting FULL PAGE inserts at all for commercial ads, and are asking every organization in Town to keep their event flyers to 1/2 page or less. If a full page event for news flyer is desired, the organization may print the flyer themselves for insertion (call Nancy Hickler at the Library for the number of copies required—544-7866) or email Andrea Woods, editor, if the information cannot be fit to 1/2 page and a waiver is desired. ADVERTISING NOTE: All Advertisements should now be sent to Beth Gilgun at bethgilgun@gmail.com. You may also call her to make arrangements to drop off a hard copy business card. Her number is 544-3464. Business card size ads are $7/month or $70/year or a double size business card size ad may be requested for $15/mo. All material may be edited for length, ink intensiveness, or content and may not be anonymous. Some logs and minutes provided may only be available on the Warwick Website at www.warwickma.org due to space limitations. ELECTRONIC SUBSCRIBERS WILL NOW GET FULL SELECTBOARD MINUTES. ANOTHER REASON TO SUBSCRIBE ELECTRONICALLY AND HELP US SAVE MONEY!!

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Ed Matthews Excavating
Copper Angel
Mary Humphries
Total: $239

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

TOWN CLERK NOTES

As of July 1st there will be a $10 late fee assessed for each dog license purchased, unless your dog was not yet 6 months old as of June 1 or you got the dog after June 1st. The late fee goes to the Animal Control Revolving Account and is NOT a fee paid to the Town Clerk.

The State Primary is Thursday, September 8 and the last day to register to vote is August 19th.

Street lists are available upon request, either in person or electronically via Email. Lists are for persons over the age of 16, and can be requested by last name or by streets.

-Rosa Fratangelo

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.
**Women's Guild**

We look forward to welcoming Warwick native Steven Fellows to our July 5th meeting. Steven, son of Oliver and Ginny Fellows, is master gardener for "A Stone Wall Inn" in Windham, Vermont where he tends five acres of perennial gardens in bloom from April through October. He will take us on a slide show virtual tour with good gardening tips along the way! You will also learn of the connection between "A Stone Wall Inn" and the environmental non-profit Fourth Corner Foundation. Come to the Town Hall at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, July 5 and enjoy. ALL community members are most welcome! - Martha Morse

**Public Library**

It’s summer and time for Summer Reading. The theme this year is On Your Mark, Get Set, Read! Come in and sign up and join the fun. There will be a special free program on Saturday, July 9th at 3:00PM at the Town Hall with Mike the Bubble Man. Summer hours are Mondays 10 to 4, Tuesday 1 to 8 and Thursday 5 to 8. Saturday hours will resume after Labor Day.

Don’t forget that the Library has many free and reduced rate passes for local attractions. There are 2 State Park Passes that pay for parking, MassMoca, Magic Wings, Clark Museum, Tower Hill Botanical Gardens (half-price), and the Eric Carle Museum.

—Nancy Hickler, Director

**The Gathering Place**

The Gathering Place menu is available each week on the L, Warwick Web and TCC Facebook page. Thank you all for your ongoing support. Gatherings are held Fridays in the Warwick 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, we’ll pack lunch for you. Everyone is welcome.

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, 15 July. 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 bring application forms for various programs. Tracy will return to a bimonthly schedule in September.

-Diana Tandy

**Old Home Days**

AUGUST 27TH AND 28TH

Are you planning an activity for Old Home Days or want to join the parade? Call Colleen at 978-544-0014 who is working up a flyer.

Thank you.

**Recreation Committee**

Zumba is for all ages, gender and physical abilities.

Tuesdays at 6pm, Thursdays at 6pm and Sundays at 8am at Town Hall. Call Leanne if you have questions 544-5553.
MOORE'S POND NOTES
The beach party on June 18th was a success with about 30 enjoying the Funicellos from 1-2 p.m. Thanks Jim, Ann, Terry and Matt. About half of those present enjoyed swimming. For the last two weeks the beach and pond have been busy.

It's time to be planning your cardboard coat for the annual Corregatta boat races on Sunday of Old Home Day weekend. There will be teen and adult events with prizes for first, second and third places. Town organizations are urged to sponsor or enter a team. Boat specification, rules and releases are available at the Town Hall and the Library.

Time to enjoy the beach, swimming and fishing (still a good supply of large Rainbow Trout.)
-David Shepardson

HISTORICAL SOCIETY
The Historical Society will be open every Sunday during July and August from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Please come to enjoy the Town's collection.
-Martha Morse

RESTAURANT REVIEW
Hometown Diner
1421 New Hampshire 119
Rindge, NH 03461
603-899-3200
Wed-Sat 5:30 AM to 8 PM
Sun-Mon 5:30 AM to 2 PM
Closed Tuesday

At the intersection of Routes 119 and 202 in Rindge NH, I kept seeing a diner which I wanted to try. So when I was looking for a breakfast/brunch place to go for my birthday breakfast with my niece, I decided we needed to try this. I looked up their times and found them open on a Sunday from 5:30 AM to 2 PM so we decided to meet at 11 AM. The place was packed.

Families with children, couples, singles and bikers all crammed into this diner. They do have a few tables in the back and a deck on the side along with the counter and booths. Luckily, we were able to get a booth.

Their menu is huge and they had a whole separate page of 'specials' for that day. Top on the list was steak and eggs so I decided I wanted that. I had 2 eggs, a good sized strip steak, home fries and sour dough toast. The steak was so tender I could almost cut it with my fork. My niece had the Hungry Boy Special which included 3 eggs, 3 slices of bacon, 2 sausages, home fries, raisin toast, and 2 pancakes. She took enough leftovers home for another breakfast. Our friend wanted the pancakes but also eggs so she order an omelet which came with toast and home fries and a side of pancakes. The pancakes were huge, dinner plate size. And both said they were the best pancakes they have ever had. I'll have to try that next time.

We saw a lot food pass by and all looked great so it's definitely on my list to try lunch/dinner. Prices seem very reasonable especially for the amount you get. You can get 2 meals out of most items.

So take a leisurely drive up Rt. 119 from Winchester and at the intersection of Rt. 202, go straight and it's on the right directly after the light. I'm sure it's the worth the trip. Bon Appetite. -Gloria Varno

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.
Update on a Community Solar Initiative project in Warwick

Jack Cadwell and Karro Frost are putting in a 10 KiloWatt system on the house roof which will cost about $38,000. The Federal Government will give them reimbursements that bring our set up cost down to $19,000.

The solar power will replace wood heat, gas for cooking and hot water, and electricity for everything else in the house. In addition, the electricity will heat and cool Jack's window and door shop, and run all the machinery. The projected pay back on the system is five years, because they will be paid for the electricity they produce. After that, they will have free electricity, and be paid to produce electricity that they are in fact using. They will also own all the solar panels and equipment, which is under a 25 year warranty.

Extra cost to the project are replacing defective shingles on the roof, and installing some cheap electric heaters in the house and shop. They also need to buy an electric stove and an electric dryer. They will continue to burn some wood, given that the shop produces two cords of scrap annually.

Warwick Scholarship Committee
A. George Day, Jr.

2016 Scholarship Awards:

**Pioneer Valley Regional School - Class of 2016**
Warwick Community Scholarship
Marina Gibbons $600.00
Zachary Lambert 600.00
Anita L. Pike Memorial Scholarship
Zachary Lambert $700.00

**Franklin County Technical School - Class of 2016**
Warwick Community Scholarship
Laurel Cooke $600.00

**Northfield-Mt. Hermon – Class of 2016**
Alice, Eric, Oscar Anderson Scholarship
Yona Kimball-Smith $600.00

**Warwick Community Scholarship (student in college)**
Liam McRae $600.00
Alice, Eric, Oscar Anderson Scholarship (student in college)
Nicole Bitzer $600.00

2016 total $4,300.00

Because there were no applicants last year from the class of 2015, a report was not submitted in last year’s newsletter. The scholarship committee did award 2nd scholarships last year to:

Miranda Chapel-Farley, Nadia Marti, and Kathryn Woods from the Alice, Eric, Oscar Anderson Scholarship of $600.00 each.

Scholarship Committee Members
A. George Day, Jr. Warwick Firemen's Association
Beverly Farley Trinitarian Congregational Church
Carol Kahler Warwick PTO
Linda Gale Women's Auxiliary to Fire Dept.
Arline (Lincoln) Vander Stelt First Parish and Religious Society
Martha Morse Warwick Historical Society
Carol Foote Warwick Women’s Guild

Donations may be made to any of the 3 scholarships funds at any time. The committee will be very grateful for any assistance in keeping our scholarship funds a continuing program for our college students.
Why Should You Care About Pesticides?

The growing consensus among scientists is that small doses of pesticides and other chemicals can cause lasting damage to human health, especially during fetal development and early childhood. Scientists now know enough about the long-term consequences of ingesting these powerful chemicals to advise that we minimize our consumption of pesticides.

What’s the Difference?

EWG research has found that people who eat five fruits and vegetables a day from the Dirty Dozen™ list consume an average of 10 pesticides a day. Those who eat from the 15 least contaminated conventionally-grown fruits and vegetables ingest fewer than 2 pesticides daily. The Guide helps consumers make informed choices to lower their dietary pesticide load.

Will Washing and Peeling Help?

The data used to create these lists is based on produce tested as it is typically eaten (meaning washed, rinsed or peeled, depending on the type of produce). Rinsing reduces but does not eliminate pesticides. Peeling helps, but valuable nutrients often go down the drain with the skin. The best approach: eat a varied diet, rinse all produce and buy organic when possible.

How Was This Guide Developed?

EWG analysts have developed the Guide based on data from nearly 89,000 tests for pesticide residues in produce conducted between 2000 and 2008 and collected by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. You can find a detailed description of the criteria EWG used to develop these rankings and the complete list of fruits and vegetables tested at our dedicated website, www.foodnews.org.

Learn More at FoodNews.org

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**Warwick Community School**

(978) 544-6310  41 Winchester Rd, Warwick, MA

**A Jewel in the woods....**

Level 1 School                        Small Class Size
Strong Community                 Art, PE, Music & Band
Technology/Computer Lab     Greenhouse/Garden Club
Science/Art Center                 Field Trips/Outdoor Learning
Enchanting Library                Top Rate Teachers

School choice openings in K, 1, and 3

...word of mouth from someone you trust
is the best possible advertising!
Dear Friends,

The Open and Affirming (ONA) designation by the United Church of Christ, which we have adopted for our congregation here in Warwick, goes beyond tolerance to accept all people as children of God. In 1985 the UCC saw the need to make this public statement of acceptance of LGBT people as a moral and theological stance of the church because of the growing verbal and physical violence against the LGBT community, and to offer support and safety to them. Thirty years later, in the face of the atrocity in Orlando, the unchristian response of several “Christian” leaders, and the choice of the mass media to label their remarks as the response of the “Christian Church”, it is important for us to once again publicly denounce and reject the virulent fear and hatred that is still rampant.

When and how did the words “Christ” and “Christian” become synonymous with intolerance and hatred? Some would argue that anti-LGBT teachings are found in the Bible. There are references to the “sins” of some sex acts, but there are also many references to God-ordered genocide in the Bible, yet only a few isolated hate-groups claim that as supporting racism. Many of the “anti-Western” pronouncements of radical Islamists have parallel roots in Judaic and Christian “purity laws”, but we no longer condone stoning of adulterers or those who eat certain foods in certain ways.

To claim the name of Christian is to claim the life of Jesus as the norm and the life of Jesus is one of healing and acceptance of those rejected by the religious leaders of his day. His one recorded act of violence was overturning the tables of the money changers in the Temple courtyard. His harshest words were reserved for those who chose to follow the “Purity Laws”, which attempted to restrict the love of God to certain individuals who strictly adhered to specific rituals, and failed to hear the Prophets who warned against injustice and indifference to the suffering of any of God’s children. His teaching vocabulary was filled with words like; love, forgiveness, healing, restoration, reconciliation, and repentance.

I am writing this just after returning from the MA Conference of the United Church of Christ Annual Meeting where the Rev Otis Moss III, pastor of Trinity Church in Chicago, preached about the need for the “Church” to repent; repent of the communal, spiritual violence it has condoned in the name of Jesus. In an “Age of Despair”, he said, people are looking, listening, searching for the vocabulary and actions of welcome, healing and acceptance that Jesus embodied as he healed the sick and “unclean”, welcomed the outcast and empowered the marginalized. Instead, the Church has too often turned to the legalistic constraints that attempt to confine God’s love to a certain few. It has given injured and suffering people laws instead of love.

Our acceptance of the ONA designation is a step on the journey of repentance. Healing is so desperately needed in these days of violence and media-magnified fear and hatred. It is of great import that each of the gatherings of people who claim the name of Christ also claim the extravagant love of God shown in the life of Jesus. Open and Affirming does not stop with the LGBT community, but it affirms the love of God for all people who are abused, broken, rejected, isolated, lonely, sick, dis-Spirited. Repentance also incorporates the element of remembering; remembering those who are forgotten by society like the veterans of war who have been broken, or killed in wars but whose suffering we don’t want to admit, view or address publicly; remembering those who have been broken by the violence of bigotry and hatred because of race, religion or ethnicity.

There are so many ways we injure each other and ourselves. Isn’t it time to repent, restore, reconnect and heal?

In faith, Dan

**JULY REMINDER— WORSHIP TIME – 9 AM**

**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS**
Nonperishable food, personal hygiene items and household cleaning supplies are collected in the front hall of the Chapel.

**FRANKLIN AREA EMERGENCY SHELTER**
Donations of sheets, blankets, towels are collected in the front hall of the Metcalf Chapel and taken to the Shelter in Greenfield.

**MEDICAL LENDING LIBRARY** Check out our supplies before buying medical equipment.
WARWICK FIREMEN’S ANNUAL CHICKEN BARBECUE
July 9th Saturday 1:00 - 2:00
RAIN OR SHINE!

It will be inside the new station this year so there isn’t a rain date. The menu is chicken, baked potato, corn on the cob, beverage and watermelon. The price is $12.00 per person.

Please try to get your tickets early. We are excited to show off our new station and hoping to have our newest truck there also. Hope to see you all there. As always any questions my number is 544-8052. Stay safe. - Chief Gates

THE WARWICK LIBRARY PRESENTS!
Saturday, July 9th  3:00PM Town Hall
MIKE THE BUBBLEMAN

Magic and science come to the stage with this indoor show about BUBBLES! Fun for all ages.

ANNUAL METCALF CHAPEL ICE CREAM SOCIAL
SUNDAY, JULY 10th
2 – 4 PM

Come share a fine summer day with friends on the Town Hall lawn.

We will have plenty of locally produced Snow’s Ice Cream with home-made & store bought toppings

SOMETHING NEW FOR AUGUST
VACATION BIBLE DAYS  AUG 1 – 4  TWO DAYS OF FIELD TRIPS

On Tuesday (8/2) we will take a trip to Heifer Farm in Rutland to learn about the work Heifer Project does around the world, bringing animals to communities that are struggling to survive.

On Wednesday, we will go to the Orange Food Pantry to help fill food boxes for those in the area who are “food insecure”. Then we will take a trip to the Western MA Food Bank in Hadley to see where much of the food for Orange and other pantries gets collected, sorted and delivered.

These two days will be longer than usual and we will be looking for adults to go with us as chaperones. We will also need to know which students will be coming so we can let these two places know how many to expect. We can bring up to 16 people to Heifer Farm and an unlimited number to the Pantry & Food Bank.

A full schedule will be sent out soon. Since we have a limited number for Heifer Farm, if you would like to be included, please let us know soon. You can leave a message on the Chapel phone (978) 544-2630 or contact Dan Dibble or Tom Zniti.

******* OLD HOME DAYS *******
Save the dates for Old Home Days, August 27 and 28, 2016.
More information on activities and fun will be coming soon!
Broadband:

The Broadband Committee is recommending the Selectboard pursue state (MBI) grant funding for our wireless Internet system upgrade. This followed a meeting between new MBI staffer Bill Ennen, Tom Wyatt as chair of Broadband Committee, and myself where it became clear that the state wants results after a very long planning delay. The committee recommendation is that the Selectboard proceed with full MBI grant funding now, and engage in MBI’s financial stress test now, not later. The committee discussed and then voted that wireless is our affordable option and Warwick should not wait any longer to access state funding. MBI will try to get us forward funding (as opposed to reimbursement) so that our town voted borrowing is last in and only deployed to the extent needed. The fiber option was found not affordable. Even with $800k grant funding the Town would be on the hook for $1.6 M bonded debt.

So, what will happen next with the upgrade? Two parallel first steps in the will occur in the coming weeks. To minimize disruption of existing customers, we will first add new higher frequency radios to both of the high towers and then one by one, move every customer who can obtain service this way to this new faster band. How fast does it go? This band can supply over 100 Mbps connections. Our other action will be to add to, and make our existing repeater sites more functional and robust by placing poles that will function like neighborhood towers in the town’s right of way. These will provide additional height and utilize new and faster technology that will function in our wooded environment.

After we move all the customers that can get service on the new radio band to it, we will upgrade the legacy 900 MHz system to the most modern equipment. Our engineered model says this will involve about fifty customers and this change will cause construction outages. This is because we can’t run both 900 systems and the new gear is not backwardly compatible. There will be a mad scramble where we switch out old customer gear for new. If this affects you, you will get notice of when this is happening.

To support our plans the Planning Board has offered clarification with respect to zoning and its impact on poles on private land which says that for heights of up to 60 feet, they are not regulated. Additionally, we got a legal opinion that when the town is placing poles in the town road right of way, we, the town, don’t have to follow the procedure used on electric and phone utilities. We will simply show neighbors where we intend to plant a pole and hold an informal hearing before constructing.

The upgrade itself does not in any way change the business model. We are going to implement network monitoring software which will help us judge the success of the upgrades and monitor performance over time. The state grant will allow us to upgrade the 3 GHz WiMAX gear, our current fastest solution which is capped at 10Mbps speeds, several years ahead of the old plan.

In the fall after we are done with the build, the Selectboard will be asked to consider offering prepayment discounts, and to establish a low income pricing tier such as cable internet providers in Northfield and Bernardston offer.

Housing and Zoning:

The town has concerns regarding a housing and zoning bill that passed the State Senate but not the General Court. Senate President Rosenberg wrote the Selectboard to say that S2311 Zoning and Housing bill is not moving forward this session. I wrote Representative Lee who thanked us and said, “I’m sure many of my other rural towns feel the same way. I will watch for this as it progresses” The Planning Board is sending a letter in opposition. When this bill gets moving next year I will propose a tiny town exemption such as there is for the law that says you may not hold more than one town job.

I don’t have much to report on the state of land line phone service as I’ve gotten only three responses to date. I urge anybody disenchanted with land line phone to contact me with your report. I did advocacy for a resident to assert the 911 requirement that emergency service be maintained on a cancelled land line and discovered that unlike cellular regulation, this does not apply in MA except while a bill is in dispute. If you shut off your land line service they can take away your dial tone. The lowest cost Verizon line is measured service the cost is close to $30 per month.

-David Young
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
April 25, 2016
Minutes

Members present: Dawn Magi, Nick Arguimbau

Member absent: Lawrence Pruyne

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo, Broadband Committee Chair Tom Wyatt, Broadband Committee members John Bradford and Brad Compton, Moderator David Koester, Warwick Representative to the Municipal Coalition Against the Pipeline and ZBA member Miryam Williamson, School Committee member Martha Morse, Police Chief David Shoemaker, Finance Committee members Rick Abbott and Bill Foote, Lloyd Goodnow, Clyde Perkins, Sr., Adam Holloway, Steve Ruggiero, Jon Calcari, Jared Robinson (Athol Daily News)

Arguimbau MOVED to approve the minutes of April 7, 2016 and April 11, 2016 as printed. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Arguimbau MOVED to declare the old PA system at the Warwick Community School surplus property. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Arguimbau MOVED to accept the State laws for overweight and wide loads. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

At 7:18 p.m., Arguimbau MOVED to adjourn. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.
Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne

Member Absent: Nick Arguimbau

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Calvin Fellows and Rod Whipple Constables for the elections of May 16, 2016, September 8, 2016 and November 8, 2016. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Denyse Dar, Laurette Crane and Lisa Vanderstelt to the Cultural Council, all for terms to expire on June 30, 2018. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

At 12:14 p.m., Pruyne MOVED to adjourn. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

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Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo, Broadband Committee Chair Tom Wyatt, Broadband Committee member John Bradford, Warwick Representative to the Municipal Coalition Against the Pipeline (MCAP) and ZBA member Miryam Williamson, Steve Ruggiero, Jon Calcari

Pruyne MOVED that Dawn Magi continue as the Board’s Chair, that Lawrence Pruyne be the Vice Chair and James Erviti assume the duties of Selectboard Clerk. Erviti SECONMDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Erviti MOVED to approve the minutes of April 25, 2016 as printed. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Erviti MOVED to approve the minutes of May 13, 2016 as printed. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to declare the positions of Emergency Management Director and Recreation Committee member Special Municipal Employees. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-1; Erviti ABSTAINED as he serves as the Emergency Management Director.

Erviti MOVED to declare the position of Cultural Council member Special Municipal Employee. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-01; Pruyne ABSTAINED as he is a member of the Cultural Council.

Pruyne MOVED to grant MGL Chapter 268 Section 20D exemptions to Lisa Vanderstelt (Library Trustee and Cultural Council member), Denyse Dar (Recreation Committee and Cultural Council member) and Laurette Crane (Cultural Council member). Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-01; Pruyne ABSTAINED as he is a member of the Cultural Council.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Tom Wyatt as liaison to MBI. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.
Pruyne MOVED that Jim Erviti be the Selectboard’s liaison to the financial team meetings. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to insert a reprimand in the permanent personnel file of Accountant Janice Barrett for inappropriate activities in the performance of her duties. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Erika Nygard and Holly Manson to the Recreation Committee. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Miryam Williamson to the Broadband Committee. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

At 8:37 p.m., Erviti MOVED to adjourn. Pruynse SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Miryam Williamson to the Broadband Committee. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

At 8:37 p.m., Erviti MOVED to adjourn. Pruynse SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Town of Warwick
Selectboard
June 6, 2016
Minutes

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruynse, James Erviti (arrived at 6:16 p.m.)

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo, Broadband Committee Chair Tom Wyatt, Broadband Committee member John Bradford, Planning Board Chair Ted Cady, Treasurer Beth Gilgun, Warwick Representative to the Municipal Coalition Against the Pipeline (MCAP) and ZBA member Miryam Williamson, Open Space Committee Chair Karro Frost, Open Space Committee Alternate Mary Williamson, Steve Ruggiero, Jared Robinson (Athol Daily News)

Pruyne MOVED to approve the minutes of May 23, 2016 as printed. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Erviti MOVED to approve the minutes of May 13, 2016 as printed. Pruynse SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED that FRCOG bid on various Highway products. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED we contact our legislators and our State Senator Stan Rosenberg and ask him to act in opposition to this bill. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED that the Selectboard place the gun ban on the next Annual Town Meeting warrant. Motion FAILED for LACK OF SECOND.

Erviti MOVED to exempt Mary Williamson from ethical concerns and to act on this matter out of necessity. Pruynse SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED the FY 17 Appointment List with corrections. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

At 7:45 p.m., Pruynse MOVED to adjourn. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.
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HISTORICAL SOCIETY OPEN - Sundays in July 2 to 4 pm
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MIKE THE BUBBLEMAN - Saturday, July 9 at 3 pm
ICE CREAM SOCIAL - Sunday, July 10 from 2 to 4 pm
THE READING GROUP - Wednesday, July 13, at 10 am
Town of Warwick

Selectboard

April 25, 2016

Minutes

Members present: Dawn Magi, Nick Arguimbau

Member absent: Lawrence Pruyne

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo, Broadband Committee Chair Tom Wyatt, Broadband Committee members John Bradford and Brad Compton, Moderator David Koester, Warwick Representative to the Municipal Coalition Against the Pipeline and ZBA member Miryam Williamson, School Committee member Martha Morse, Police Chief David Shoemaker, Finance Committee members Rick Abbott and Bill Foote, Lloyd Goodnow, Clyde Perkins, Sr., Adam Holloway, 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

Arguimbau MOVED to approve the minutes of April 7, 2016 and April 11, 2016 as printed. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

III. Presentations and Discussions

1. Gas Pipeline — Miryam Williamson said that Montague is the only one with intervener status representing our interests before the DPU. She noted the investigation into Berkshire Gas, and said that according to Montague, the legal bills have been between $9,000.00 and $10,000.00 per month, which have been paid through March of this year. Williamson stated that any unused portion of funds will be returned to the towns, and cautioned that the situation is not truly over and done with yet. She read aloud a statement from Leverett Selectboard Chair Peter D’Errico.

2. Broadband — Wyatt said that at the last meeting of the Broadband Committee, at which Selectman Nick Arguimbau participated by telephone, the proposal to upgrade and expand Warwick Broadband (WBS) was discussed. He said that all committee members present voted in favor of supporting Article 2 of the Special Town Meeting warrant and Article 12 of the Annual Town Meeting warrant, regarding the appropriation of $20,000 for Broadband Enterprise Fund capital outlay and borrowing a sum of money ($240,000.00) and appropriate to Broadband capital outlay, respectively. Wyatt said that he was still concerned about some management issues.
Young explained that the upgrade involves replacing the electronics on the towers and subscribers’ premises which will make repeater sites better. He noted that two 50 foot towers will be added and unnecessary ones will be eliminated. Young said that the switches, routers and WiMAX will be kept.

Wyatt said that he has not yet seen the budget and therefore does not know how much money will be spent for electronics, consultants and the like. He said that we need to move forward so as not to have to wait a year to proceed with the upgrade and expansion. Wyatt asked the Selectboard what it wants the role of the Broadband Committee to be in light of the significant expansion and upgrade to the system, and what kind of oversight it wants for WBS. He said that he feels more oversight is needed now that WBS will become bigger, and noted that the Selectboard must authorize the Broadband Committee to step in and participate in the oversight.

Young said that once the build-out is done, the revenue will not go back into the system for more improvements, but rather to pay back the debt. Steve Ruggiero said that WBS is in competition with satellite internet, which is often provided at a lower subscription rate. He expressed concern that WBS will not be able to pay back the debt. John Bradford stated that WBS already achieves better service than the lowest price satellite service to which Mr. Ruggiero referred. Young said that only one person has left WBS for satellite internet, and that was because the person lived in an area not well served by WBS at the time.

Arguimbau said that he was concerned about the towers. Young said that there would be two new 50-foot towers, and that pole hearings would be held before the Board just as the utilities do prior to the setting of any new poles. Arguimbau asked about the debt payback, which Young estimated to be around $50,000.00 annually for five years. Young went on to explain that five years is the limit for borrowing for this kind of property. He noted that borrowing terms are ultimately up to the Selectmen, so even if ATM votes it the Board could decide that it is not a good idea and vote not to do it. Young said that the exact sum of money to be borrowed must be included in the motion read on Town Meeting floor.

Wyatt said that he wants WBS to be able to pay back the debt, but he favors pro-rated fees for those whose service and quality of connection is not as good. Arguimbau inquired about additional oversight and if a vote on this should be taken now. Magi said that they should wait until “Doc” Pruyn was present so as to have a full Board when discussing and voting on the matter.

Young read aloud excerpts from Selectboard minutes of June 29, 2009 and November 2, 2009 to demonstrate his transparency with the Selectboard as well as the subject of subscribers’ internet radio ownership. Those who paid $500.00 own the radio which came with a one year warranty.
Wyatt said that a number of towns were writing to Governor Baker detailing their frustration with MBI and delays in the process. He said that people from Western Mass towns would meet with the Governor on May 10th. Lastly, Wyatt noted that MBI is planning to add a wireless internet study of all unserved towns.

3. FY 15 Annual Town Report—Young gave Board members Magi and Arguimbau copies of the FY 15 Annual Town Report, and also gave one to former Moderator Miryam Williamson.

4. FY 17 Annual Town Meeting Budget and Warrant Articles—Finance Committee members Rick Abbott and Bill Foote were in attendance, but there was not a quorum of the Fin Comm present. Abbott asked about Article 23 and line item 382 (PVRS Assessment). He declared that because his wife is a teacher he cannot vote on this, but was simply seeking information from the Board. Magi explained that the logic behind Article 23 was that the teachers ask for more and more money which has been granted in the past, so if the higher assessment is voted, the article asks that a one-time increase of 4.5% be voted to the Town’s hourly and salaried employees to give them the same boost given the teachers. Magi said that the PVRSD Superintendent presented a budget which increased Warwick assessment by 1.57% but the School Committee voted a higher budget which resulted in our assessment increasing by 2.5%. School Committee member Martha Morse said that the 5-member budget subcommittee, of which she is a member, voted unanimously to approve the Superintendent’s budget, but the full 12-member School Committee held a hearing on February 12th and a motion was made to increase the budget, and the motion passed by the required two-thirds vote. Morse said that while she herself voted against the higher number, she feels obligated to support the full School Committee vote.

Williamson asked about the Petition Article and asked for an example of what the Town has done that is unconstitutional. Ruggiero said that the Town and especially Coordinator Young stretches things and wants the Board and Town Meeting to vote to keep things in check. Adam Holloway said that this would serve as an affirmation of the Town as a whole to uphold the State and Federal constitutions. Young said that Town Counsel called this article meaningless, and “a pulpit piece”, and said that the Board does not have to place on the warrant an article that is not actionable. He said that our Town Counsel went to law school, passed the Bar and serves eleven towns and knows that over time laws are interpreted by the courts and precedents have determined that certain things do not have to be put on a warrant. Williamson said that the petition article itself was unconstitutional and a waste of the people’s time, and recommended withdrawing the article.

Abbott told the Board that the Finance Committee has discussed most of the Annual Town Meeting warrant and indicated that it seems in line and in good order.
5. **Surplus Property**—Young said that there was a 15 year old amplifier, five daughter boards and a back pane from the old public address (PA) system at WCS. He said that he could sell the items on eBay and the funds would go in to the General Fund.

Arguimbau MOVED to declare the old PA system at the Warwick Community School surplus property. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

6. **Over-wide and Overweight Vehicles**—Magi asked Police Chief David Shoemaker about the issue, and he replied that if the Board wants to accept the State permits for wide and overweight loads it was fine with him and his department.

Arguimbau MOVED to accept the State laws for overweight and wide loads. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Magi said that State regulations will apply and that Town Counsel would send a letter to Lloyd Goodnow. Goodnow asked that the letter be sent to his attorney.

7. **Update on Accounting/Review of Current Financial Statements**—Young referred to the expenditure and expense reports included in the Board members’ meeting packets for the General Fund (omnibus budget) and Other Funds (grants, library trusts, etc...). He said reports will be furnished to the Board at least once a month. Young noted that the Accountant has been putting in extra hours to catch up on things as she agreed to do at the April 7th meeting.

8. **Selectboard Reports**—Arguimbau said that it was a pleasure to watch the anti-Pipeline campaign because so many people got together on so many different levels. Williamson said that the Municipal Coalition Against the Pipeline would still be meeting, and that the matter is not over and done yet. Young said that he was concerned that Kinder Morgan would get FERC to redefine “demand”.

Magi said that she attended a FRCOG meeting last week and wanted to pass along to the Police Chief that there is traffic counting available from FRCOG at no charge. She said that an agency to coordinate local fire and police during emergencies was being developed. This agency would save time in emergency situations with mutual aid, as a coordinating center would be contacted and disperse the information to other parties.

9. **Coordinator Report**—There was nothing added to the written report.
10. **Public Comment**—

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

Magi thanked Nick Arguimbau for his 8 years of service on the Selectboard. She said that it was an interesting time and that he had made it a more interesting Board. She said that a certificate of appreciation would be given to him after absent Board member Pruyne signed it. She brought a cake and served it after the meeting adjourned.

**IV. Adjournment**

At 7:18 p.m., Arguimbau MOVED to adjourn. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

*Documents consulted at this meeting:*

*Draft Minutes of Selectboard meetings of April 7, 2016 and April 11, 2016*

*Warrant for Special Town Meeting of May 2, 2016 7 p.m.*

*Warrant for Annual Town Meeting of May 2, 2016 7:15 p.m.*

*Coordinator Report dated April 21, 2016*

*Letter to Town Coordinator Hugh Campbell dated April 5, 2016 re: PVRS paving request*

*Excerpts of approved Selectboard minutes of June 29, 2009 and November 2, 2009*

*Town of Warwick FY 16 General Fund Expenditure Report dated April 15, 2016*

*Town of Warwick FY 16 Other Funds Expense Report dated April 15, 2016*

*Proposal to Upgrade and Expand Warwick Broadband fact sheet*
Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne
Member Absent: Nick Arguimbau
Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo

I.  Call to Order
Chair Magi called the meeting to order at 12:12 pm in the Town Hall.

II. Presentations and Discussions

1.  Appointments—
Pruyne MOVED to appoint Calvin Fellows and Rod Whipple Constables for the elections of May 16, 2016, September 8, 2016 and November 8, 2016. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Denyse Dar, Laurette Crane and Lisa Vanderstelt to the Cultural Council, all for terms to expire on June 30, 2018. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0

   Pruyneg noted that all three individuals had attended the last meeting of the Cultural Council and that each had offered good contributions to the meeting.

III.  Adjournment
At 12:14 p.m., Pruyneg MOVED to adjourn. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.
Representative to the Municipal Coalition Against the Pipeline (MCAP) and ZBA member Miryam Williamson, Steve Ruggiero, Jon Calcari

I. Call to Order

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

Reorganization of the Selectboard, which occurs after each election, was discussed.

Pruyne MOVED that Dawn Magi continue as the Board’s Chair, that Lawrence Pruyne be the Vice Chair and James Erviti assume the duties of Selectboard Clerk. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

II. Minutes

Erviti MOVED to approve the minutes of April 25, 2016 as printed. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Erviti MOVED to approve the minutes of May 13, 2016 as printed. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

III. Presentations and Discussions

1. MGL Chapter 268 Section 20D Exemptions —

Pruyne MOVED to declare the positions of Emergency Management Director and Recreation Committee member Special Municipal Employees. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-1; Erviti ABSTAINED as he serves as the Emergency Management Director

Erviti MOVED to declare the position of Cultural Council member Special Municipal Employee. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0; Pruyne ABSTAINED as he is a member of the Cultural Council.

Pruyne MOVED to grant MGL Chapter 268 Section 20D exemptions to Lisa Vanderstelt (Library Trustee and Cultural Council member), Denyse Dar (Recreation Committee and Cultural Council member) and Laurette Crane (Cultural Council member). Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0; Pruyne ABSTAINED as he is a member of the Cultural Council.

2. Gas Pipeline —Warwick’s representative to the Municipal Anti Pipeline Coalition (MCAP) Miryam Williamson said that as of today, Tennessee Gas Pipeline has withdrawn its application to build the gas pipeline and currently has no action before FERC. She noted that TGP would have to start the entire
process from the beginning should they wish to resurrect the project. Williamson said that she will continue monitor FERC, and noted that MCAP may address a surcharge on electric bills for the pipeline.

3. **Phone Service Problems**—Young said that he had been contacted by a resident of Gale Road regarding poor telephone service from Verizon. He noted that the resident will contact Verizon to get their circuit repaired, but he wanted the Board to be aware of the problem due to the larger issue of poor service throughout town. Pruyne inquired about replacing the hub by the Fire Department, and Tom Wyatt suggested making our Verizon representative aware of the current problems, adding that political pressure needs to be applied. Steve Ruggiero said that 911 service has to be available to every resident, and that we should make the State deal with Verizon to make them uphold their responsibility to provide 911 service to all. Williamson said that Representative Lee and the DPU should be given the chance to represent us in this matter. Erviti added that Governor Baker and our federal representatives in the Congress and Senate should be contacted as well, and said that the loss of 911 service when people lose their phone service should be included in the list of issues that need to be addressed. Wyatt said that we should document as much as we can. The Board decided to collect information and then contact regulators, legislators and the Governor.

4. **Broadband**—John Bradford said that for the past year monitoring software has been running on the network, and while it has yielded information on trouble spots, it is not the best solution for a wireless system like Warwick Broadband (WBS). He said that he has set up a Netflow server that provides an increased ability to troubleshoot the network by monitoring all the radios and giving data at the minute and also historically to eliminate the need to troubleshoot blindly. Wyatt said that he would like to have WBS service delivery report information shared with the Broadband Committee.

Young said that equity of pricing, speed, prepay discounts, low income pricing tier for qualifying families and maybe also seniors are things to be looked at and discussed in the future once the upgrade is completed. He said that at one of the two new repeater sites a pine tree rather than a pole will most likely be used. Young said that pole hearings will be held by the Board and WBS will model the petitions after those used by National Grid and Verizon for poles on Town land. He said that for poles on private land WBS might need to go before the ZBA. Young noted that 5 GHz radios will be put up first on the two primary towers, and said that they are in the midst of the first conversion of old to new on ten repeater sites.

Wyatt said that the Broadband Committee has met twice in the past month, and one of the items discussed was phone support for WBS. Wyatt and Williamson have offered to take some shifts on the WBS trouble line to take some of the burden off of Young. He said that the Broadband Committee also talked about a website for WBS. Bradford said that the committee will authorize who can add content to the website, which will be user friendly. Wyatt said that he was told verbally by Time Warner that they will not come into Warwick, and is awaiting a written statement to that effect.

Wyatt spoke about the regional hybrid group, and said Wendell is trying to set up another meeting as they want to learn more about Warwick’s system. He noted that there have been a lot of recent changes
at MBI, and that they seem to be backing off a wireless study in Western Mass. Wyatt said that the State has asked that each town designate a single contact person to communicate with Implementation Liaison Bill Ennen, and noted that he would like us to have two and thought it was worth trying to ask for two. He said that he has the time and wants to be part of the mix, but also wanted Young because he is more experienced. Ruggiero said that Wyatt should be the point of contact because Young has a vested interest in what he is doing, as he should. Ruggiero said that Wyatt is a good listener and more open minded. Magi noted that Young is more experienced; Wyatt concurred. Bradford said that the choice should be based on what we want our liaison to do. Williamson said that Wyatt should be the liaison; Pruyne concurred as he favored a team approach.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Tom Wyatt as liaison to MBI. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

5. Review of ATM Voted Budget and Articles—Young pointed out that the figures in column U reflect the appropriations after Article 23 was passed, allowing for the 4.5% pay raises to employees. Young said that he will call a Finance Committee meeting for reserve fund transfers including one for contributory insurance.

6. Accounting Update—Young said that the full Board had one meeting with the Accountant and that going forward one member of the Selectboard needs to attend meetings with the accounting review team.

Pruyne MOVED that Jim Erviti be the Selectboard’s liaison to the financial team meetings. Magio SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Comp time was discussed as future time off in lieu of overtime pay. Magi said that she wants to review our personnel policy and make some changes based on what she has learned from being on the FRCOG personnel policy committee. An issue that resulted in the Accountant returning an item for payment to the Library due to lack of W-9 form for a private contractor that did work on the Library chimney was also discussed.

Pruyne MOVED to insert a reprimand in the permanent personnel file of Accountant Janice Barrett for inappropriate activities in the performance of her duties. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

There was a consensus of the Board that written documentation of the following items will be placed in the Accountant’s personnel file: that she agreed to be caught up by January 1, 2017; the W-9 issue; the group of people overseeing her duties; disallowed fee for a conference because she was previously told not to take any more training or attend any conferences until she was caught up.
7. **Update on WCS**—Young said that there will be no preschoolers enrolled in WCS for the 2016-17 school year, so the class groupings will change to reflect this. He said that next year’s classrooms will be divided into kindergarten and 1st grade, grades 2 and 3, grades 4 and 5, and grade 6. Young said that there was a fox den located behind the playground, and that he consulted with Town resident and naturalist David Brown to confirm that foxes have multiple dens. He explained that after the Highway completed previously planned cutting of brush identified as a fire hazard, the mother moved her four kits to another den.

8. **Appointments**—

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Erika Nygard and Holly Manson to the Recreation Committee. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Miryam Williamson to the Broadband Committee. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Young said that the Tax Collector may choose to step down in the near future, and noted that Assistant Tax Collector Jessica Foote has been training with Tax Collector Terry Kemerer for at least six months and has assumed much of the workload of late. Young pointed out that while the Personnel Policy requires the Tax Collector position be posted, we are required to be a fair employer and can hire from within.

9. **Wagon Wheel Campground**—Williamson said that the ZBA signed off on an agreed upon judgment and praised Town Counsel Jeremia Pollard for his work on this case. Young pointed out that the judgment was agreed upon by the parties and was accepted by but not ordered by a judge, and that this is an "agreed upon judgment" and has the effect of a court order. We mutually agreed to a judgment rather than having something imposed. Williamson said that the campground will close November 1st and open April 1st, and is still subject to licensing and permitting by the Board of Health. Erviti said that people are welcome to camp there but cannot live there.

10. **Selectboard Reports**—There was a consensus of the Board to defer this until the next meeting, along with a discussion on master planning, strategic or long range financial plan for the Town.

11. **Coordinator Report**—Young said that he needs to find someone to maintain the content on the Town sign. He said that insurance procurement proposals are due June 2nd. Young said that there will be a solar tour on Sunday, June 5 sponsored by the Buildings and Energy Committee. The Board agreed it is
appropriate to allow solar vendors to set up booths / tables on the common in conjunction with the "Solar Tour".

12. Public Comment—None.

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

IV. Adjournment

At 837 p.m., Erviti MOVED to adjourn. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Documents consulted at this meeting:

* Draft Minutes of Selectboard meetings of April 25, 2016 and May 13, 2016
* Minutes of April 7, 2016 Selectboard meeting.*
* Coordinator Report
* Emails between Town Coordinator David Young and resident parker Edson re: Verizon phone
* Letter from Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company re: withdrawal of application filed with FERC for Northeast Energy Direct Project
* Overview from MBI
* Email from Tom Wyatt to Melinda Poore of Time Warner Cable
* Email from Tom Wyatt re: thoughts on structure for the WBS website
* Emails between David Young and Bill Ennen re: Last Mile Update with Governor Baker
* Omnibus Budget from May 2, 2016 Warwick Annual Town Meeting
* Town of Warwick General Fund Expenditure Report as of 5/20/16
* Town of Warwick FY 2016 Other Funds Expense Report as of 5/20/16
* Town of Warwick Personnel Policy and Procedures
* Agreed Upon Judgment Commonwealth of Massachusetts Trial Court Superior Court Civil Action #2014-85 Kimberly A. Smith and Scott M. Williams, d.b.a. Wagon Wheel Campground (Plaintiffs) v. Warwick Zoning Board of Appeals, Robert Croke, Francis Renna and Miryam Erlich Williamson as they are Members of the Zoning Board of Appeals (Defendants)
Letters from Town Coordinator David Young to MIAA and Braley & Wellington re: seeking Competitive proposals for Town of Warwick insurance coverage effective July 1, 2016

Town of Warwick

Selectboard

June 6, 2016

Minutes

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti (arrived at 6:16 p.m.)

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo, Broadband Committee Chair Tom Wyatt, Broadband Committee member John Bradford, Planning Board Chair Ted Cady, Treasurer Beth Gilgun, Warwick Representative to the Municipal Coalition Against the Pipeline (MCAP) and ZBA member Miryam Williamson, Open Space Committee Chair Karro Frost, Open Space Committee Alternate Mary Williamson, Steve Ruggiero, 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 May 23, 2016 as printed. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Erviti MOVED to approve the minutes of May 13, 2016 as printed. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

III. Presentations and Discussions

1. Authorize Highway Products Bid —Young said that every year FRCOG bids various highway products, but the Board must vote to authorize them to be able to bid on our behalf.

Pruyne MOVED that FRCOG bid on various Highway products. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.
2. **Broadband** —Tom Wyatt said that he had received written confirmation from Time Warner Cable that they will not be coming in to Warwick. He said that there will be a meeting with MBI’s Implementation Liaison Bill Ennen on Monday, June 13 at 3 p.m. in Town Hall and invited the Selectboard to join members of the Broadband Committee at this meeting. He said that they will be going over the process MBI has devised for the last mile.

Wyatt said that MBI had been pushing wireless in all 44 towns but is now looking at dark fiber (existing unused fiber) for the last mile as well as the middle mile. He said that MBI is looking for sustainable projects to give money to. Young recommended that we wait before undergoing MBI’s final solution “Stress testing”. Both Wyatt and Young noted that there seems to be a willingness to get things done.

3. **Insurance Procurement**—Young said that he received two bids for insurance, one from our current company and one from MIIA. He explained that MIIA came in lower than the FY 17 budgeted amounts for Police and Fire and liability. Young noted that MIIA provides better coverage than our current provider.

4. **Compensatory Time Report**—Young said that he had received a legal opinion from the Town’s labor lawyer Fred Dupere that compensatory time is time denominated and not dollar denominated. Young has informed the Highway Superintendent and the Accountant of Attorney Dupere’s legal opinion. This means that workers defer an hour or pay for a future paid hour off that is not tied to an old rate of pay.

5. **Emergency Management**—Emergency Management Director Jim Erviti said that the FRCOG Multi Agency Coordination Center will insert itself between the local emergency managers and MEMA’s regional office in Agawam. In case of an emergency or disaster, the local managers would have to call FRCOG rather than MEMA in Agawam. Erviti said that he sees this as another layer of bureaucracy and that the local managers are well trained and already enjoy a well established, good relationship with MEMA. Erviti was not in favor of signing a MOU with FRCOG at this time; Young concurred, saying we should wait and see and not act now.

6. **Master Planning, Strategic or Long Term Plan**—Planning Board Chair Ted Cady said that we have never done any strategic or master planning although it has been brought up in the past. He said that nothing has ever been found that people want to change. Cady noted that every ten years there is an Open Space and Recreation survey to see what is wanted for the future of the Town, and in the past it has been leave it the way it is. He said that the Planning Board will support whatever the Selectboard wishes to do.

Young said that relief from certain types of development pressures could result from a master plan. He said roads and how to handle them, organizational changes and educational needs could be a part of
a master plan, but in the past it has been to let as little as possible change. Cady said that there is usually a vision you want to achieve or a problem you want to solve before going into devising a master plan.

Steve Ruggiero mentioned a bill before the Senate that former Selectman Nick Arguimbau had asked him to bring up at the meeting. Cady said that Senate Bill 2311 is a very dense 42 page bill now before the full Senate and Berkshire Regional Planning, Massachusetts Municipal Association, the Farm Bureau, and the Massachusetts Forest Council are all against this bill. He noted that FRCOG Planning Board considers this bill to be primarily urban focused and not appropriate for rural areas. Under this bill cities and towns could become a Certified Community and become eligible for considerable funds from the State for planning and housing, while non Certified Communities would receive very little funds for regional planning boards. Cady noted that towns must have a Town Planner to comply with the requirements to become a certified Community. He said that there is a sense that this bill is being rushed through. Young said that Title 5 would work in our favor along with the history of building in Warwick. He said that he would contact Senator Rosenberg if the Board votes to oppose this bill.

Pruyne MOVED we contact our legislators and our State Senator Stan Rosenberg and ask him to act in opposition to this bill. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Cady said that the Planning Board is meeting this week and asked if they should act on this as well. There was a consensus of the Selectboard that if the Planning Board is also opposed to Senate Bill 2311 they should contact legislators as a second voice of opposition.

7. Town Hall Gun Ban—Magi stated that she favored the gun ban not to take away anyone’s rights but because people who meet and work here don’t want guns in Town Hall and see no reason that firearms are needed in this building. She said that guns are not allowed in schools or Federal buildings. Erviti said he wanted this brought up because he could only discuss it with other Board members in an open meeting, and he had heard by way of second and third hand accounts that the gun ban may have come into effect for the wrong reasons.

Magi said that people may come in angry and they are not known to carry a gun. Ruggiero said that he agrees with banning guns at meetings but not in Town Hall. Erviti said that in a building where Town business is conducted a person carrying a gun gets overwrought and their emotions take over we do not want someone to carry a firearm. Treasurer Beth Gilgun said that she is by no means against gun rights but she works in Town Hall three days a week and does not want people carrying guns. Cady said that a more comfortable atmosphere will attract more people to join committees.

Pruyne said that he has heard overwhelmingly that the Town Hall gun ban does not make any sense and he wanted to represent them even though he himself sees no need for guns in Town Hall and feels that there has been no real change or effect to behavior and what goes on in this building. He said he felt it should go before Town Meeting and let those in attendance vote on it. Miryam Williamson inquired how many people Pruynne had spoken with, to which he replied at least twenty.
Young said that it is clearly within the Board’s purview to uphold or rescind the ban, and if it were to go before Town Meeting he favored making it stronger, such as a by-law that would be criminally enforceable. Pruyn said that the issue is clearly divisive, and while he would vote in favor of the ban at Town Meeting, he wanted to represent the views of those who disagree. Erviti said that he was happy to leave it as is, now he had heard from Magi.

Pruyn MOVED that the Selectboard place the gun ban on the next Annual Town Meeting warrant.
Motion FAILED for LACK OF SECOND.

Miryam Williamson stated that the Supreme Court has ruled twice that there is no right to carry a gun in public buildings, schools, hospitals and other sensitive buildings. Young said that when he compiles the 2017 Annual Town Meeting warrant he would ask the Board if they wish to have the gun ban added to it.

8. Childcare Business—Pruyn said that he had approached WCS Principal Elizabeth Musgrave about starting a childcare business at the school for working parents. He said that no preschool children were anticipated to enroll in the coming school year, and that funding for childcare at the school had lapsed. Pruyn said that Musgrave told him that WCS would be in competition with other area school districts that offer childcare before and after school. Pruyn said that he sees a need for it, especially between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. He said that start-up money needs to be put towards this, and noted the school would handle the administration with someone to serve as a liaison to the Selectboard. Pruyn said that the next step would be to ask Principal Musgrave to poll all the parents of school children to identify those likely to take advantage of the childcare. Cady suggested adding high school age students as a way to provide the older children with a place to hang out after school. Young pointed out that this would work on the academic calendar and in the last eight years there has been a 25% decline in enrollment. Magi said that a lot more information is needed. Pruyn said he will pursue this as a way to make the school more attractive and therefore the Town more attractive as well.

9. Ethics Exemption—Conservation Commission Chair Karro Frost asked the Board to grant an exemption for ConComm member Mary Williamson. Frost explained that Williamson is a direct abutter to the project that is the subject of the current hearing process, and while she has not participated she has attended all past hearings. Because they need one more to make the required quorum and have continued the hearing twice before due to lack of quorum, they were seeking an exemption of necessity so that the ConComm could achieve their quorum and convene the hearing tonight rather than continuing the hearing for the third time. Erviti and Young asked Mary Williamson to provide the Town Clerk with a statement disclosing the conflict of interest and her commitment to act in a fair and impartial manner; she agreed.
Erviti MOVED to exempt Mary Williamson from ethical concerns and to act on this matter out of necessity. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

10. **Phone Service Problems Update**—Young said that he had put a piece in the Community Newsletter and has so far received two replies, so his data collection on the quality of Verizon phone service in Town has begun.

11. **FY 17 Appointments**—The Board reviewed the draft appointment list and made the following corrections: took Gloria Varno’s name off of the Moore’s Pond Beach Advisory Committee and added Lawrence Pruyne as the Selectboard representative to the Franklin Regional Planning Board.

   Pruyne MOVED the FY 17 Appointment List with corrections. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

   The full Appointment List appears at the end of these minutes.

12. **Selectboard Reports**—Magi noted with sadness the passing of William Styles.

   Pruyne spoke in favor of composting organic waste and said that he had spoken with Rick Innis of Clearview Composting. Young said that he would refer this to the Transfer Station Commissioners for their evaluation. He also recommended checking with FCSWMD to see if there are any better alternatives.

13. **Coordinator Report**—There was nothing to add to the written Coordinator report

14. **Public Comment**—None.

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

IV. Adjournment

At 7:45 p.m., Pruyne MOVED to adjourn. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Documents consulted at this meeting:

*Draft Minutes of Selectboard meeting of May 23, 2016

*FY 17 DRAFT Appointment List
### APPOINTMENTS for FY 17

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- Tom Wyatt 7/1/16 6/30/17
- Miryam Williamson 7/1/16 6/30/17
- Scott Seago 7/1/16 6/30/17
- Brad Compton 7/1/16 6/30/17
- Andrea Woods 7/1/16 6/30/17

#### BUILDING INSPECTORS
- Phil Delorey, Building Commissioner 7/1/16 6/30/17
- Roland Jean, Local Building Inspector (deputy) 7/1/16 6/30/17
- Bill Johnston, Wiring Inspector 7/1/16 6/30/17
- Casey Bashaw, Gas & Plumbing Inspector 7/1/16 6/30/17

#### BUILDINGS AND ENERGY COMMITTEE
- Dan Dibble 7/1/16 6/30/19

#### BURIAL AGENT

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*Coordinator Report dated June 2, 2016*

*FY 2016 General Fund Expenditure Report as of June 2, 2016*

*FY 2016 Other Funds Expense Report as of June 2, 2016*

*Email from Katie Stoico to Christine Heath Re: MBI Last Mile Town Readiness*

*Last Mile Program Guidelines for Unserved Towns from MBI*
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FIELD DRIVER
Vacancy 7/1/16 6/30/17

FRCOG TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE
Vacancy 7/1/15 6/30/16

FRANKLIN REGIONAL PLANING BOARD REPRESENTATIVE
Ted Cady – Planning Board 7/1/15 6/30/16
Lawrence Pruyne – Selectboard 7/1/16 6/30/17

FRANKLIN REGIONAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE
Dawn Magi 7/1/16 6/30/17

HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Barbara Walker 7/1/16 6/30/19

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE
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MOORE'S POND BEACH ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
Mario Tringali  7/1/16    6/30/19  

OLD HOME DAYS COMMITTEE  
Larry Carey  7/1/16    6/30/17  
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TREASURER
Beth Gilgun                        7/1/16            6/30/19

VETERAN’S GRAVE AGENT
Frederick Abbott                    7/1/16            6/30/17

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WARWICK MUNICIPAL LIGHT PLANT COMMISSIONERS
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