Warwick Community Newsletter

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Mindy Gibbons  Ruth Severance
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Do you have a new neighbor? Please let us know so we can keep our mailing list up to date! Email warwicknewsletter01378@gmail.com or stop by the Library and leave the name and address.

On Thursdays from 6:30 to 7:30ish there will be DROP-IN KNITTING at the Library. Bring your projects and sit and knit, get help if you need it. Beginner and experienced knitters welcome! All ages welcome! Crocheters welcome! - Julie Severance

SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION

SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION Tuesday, November 6, 2018
Office: Selectman until May 20, 2019 Annual Town Election

*Last day to Obtain Nomination Papers: Friday, September 14, 2018 5 p.m.
*Last day to submit nomination papers to Town Clerk for certification: Tuesday, September 18, 2018 5 p.m.
*Required Number of Signatures Required: 20
*Last day to object or withdraw: Thursday, October 4, 2018
*Last Day to Register to Vote: Wednesday, October 17, 2018 8 p.m.

** Rosa **
**Women’s Guild**
The Warwick Women’s Guild will meet next on Tuesday, August 7 at 1:00 pm in the basement of the Town Hall. Join us as we prepare for Old Home Day activities and plan for programs in the fall.

-Martha Morse

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**Library**
The Library will be open on Saturday, August 25th from 10 AM to 1 PM. I will be at the Library for one more week and then Ivan Ussach will be taking over as Library Director. It has been a great run – almost 35 years with the help of 21 Trustees over these years. I will especially miss all of the people who stop by, some just to chat, take out books and videos, buy trash bags, or borrow museum passes. I’ll miss you all.

-Nancy Hickler

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**Recreation Night at the Space Bar**
To kick off Old Home Days weekend, the Recreation committee will be hosting a dance Friday 8/24, 7pm. Please mark your calendars and join us for a family night at the Town Hall.

In the dining hall we will have popcorn and ice cream (homemade chocolate and butterscotch sauces) with a variety of board games, cards, and chess (Please bring a favorite game to share)

Upstairs will be dancing and toe tapping to the band SPACE BAR! Please feel free to dress up, down or wear a favorite costume.

I need helpers, so If you would like to pitch in or have a comment or question please call Leanne at - 5553

Popcorn will be free, ice cream $2 a scoop. Band donation $5

-Leanne Limoges

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**The Gathering**
The Gathering has returned to Warwick Town Hall as a monthly event. The next Gathering will be Friday, 03 August, 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM. There will be soup, quiche, sandwiches and a variety of desserts. Watch for the menu to be posted on the Warwick L-email list and Warwick L-ternative Facebook page, Wednesdays prior to the The Gathering. All are welcome.

-Diana Tandy

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**Outreach Coordinator**
Tracy Gaudet, Outreach Coordinator for Orange COA and Shine Counselor, (Serving Health Insurance Needs for Everyone) will be at Town Hall Tuesdays, 14 and 28 August, from 10:00 AM until Noon. Stop by if you need help with health insurance or to talk about available programs. Contact her, 978-544-3481 or @townoforange.org, she will be bring application forms.

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**COA Foot Clinic dates for the rest of 2018**
All are on Fridays and at the Metcalf Chapel at 8 a.m.
August 10, Sept 14, Oct 12, Nov 9 and Dec.14

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**Historical Society**

**Cemetery Walk**
August 25, Saturday, of Old Home Days
3:00 - 4:00 PM
Sponsored by the Warwick Historical Society

Meet under the Warwick Cemetery Signage. Meander through and meet some former residents from the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries.

We aim to illuminate some of Warwick’s former residents who now silently reside hillside.

—Clare Green
ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

The Franklin County Solid Waste District is holding its 2018 household hazardous waste collection on Saturday, September 22 at GCC Main Campus and Orange Transfer Station. Residents and businesses must pre-register between August 16 and September 17. During that time, online registration will be open: www.franklincountywastedistrict.org/hazwasteday.html. Paper registration forms will be available at participating town offices, transfer stations, and in ads in the Greenfield Recorder.

The collection is free for residents of most member towns. Businesses must pay for disposal costs. For business registration information, call (413) 772-2438.

This collection provides an opportunity to dispose of hazardous items that should not be put in the trash, such as leftover oil-based paints, stains, thinners, household cleaners, pesticides, herbicides, pool chemicals, motor oil, antifreeze, automobile batteries, and other household chemicals. For a complete list of acceptable items, see: www.franklincountywastedistrict.org/hazwasteday.html.

Mercury-containing products such as thermometers, thermostats and compact fluorescent bulbs (CFLs) should never be put in the trash. At the 2018 Hazardous Waste Collection Event, only mercury-containing items such as thermostats and thermometers will be accepted; fluorescent bulbs will not be accepted at this collection. CFLs and other fluorescent bulbs are accepted at all municipal transfer stations. In addition, fluorescent light bulbs are accepted at Lowe’s Stores (all types of fluorescents), and Home Depot (CFLs only). Questions? - 413-772-2438, info@franklincountywastedistrict.org

Save the Date! The Fall “Clean Sweep” Bulky Waste Recycling Day is Saturday, October 20, from 9 a.m. to noon. Locations: Buckland Rec. Center, Northfield Highway Garage, Whately Transfer Station.

Residents from any District town may bring tires, appliances, scrap metal, mattresses, propane tanks, construction debris, and other large items. Clean and dry (bagged) textiles and books accepted free for reuse or recycling. Bring bulky rigid plastics such as 5-gallon ppails and plastic lawn furnishuere for special recycling program ($5 per load: for acceptable items, see website or call). Disposal fees: www.franklincountywastedistrict.org/cleansweep.html

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

Reduce trash by composting: “Earth Machine” compost bins ($45) and “Sure-Close” compost pails ($5) are available at the Solid Waste District office in Greenfield: call for hours. Cash or checks only.

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

MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 (TTY/TDD).

The District is an equal opportunity provider.
**Did you know that Moores Pond has had at least two other names? One was Morse Pond. The other may have been Lockes or Leonards Pond. According to Charles A. Morse's 1963 *Warwick, Massachusetts: Biography of a Town*, the first sawmill in town was erected by David Ayers on Rum Brook off Richmond Road in 1770. Shortly after, Locke's sawmill was built south of the pond under a secondary dam, filled by water from the Wilson Brook along East Wilson Road and from Moores Pond's Darling Brook. It is believed that the pond was raised by about four feet during the dam construction. Water that accumulated from the two sources overnight was used for the sawmill during the day. Upon Locke's death in 1776 his widow sold the mill and dams to Francis Leonard. The mill burned in 1802 and was rebuilt. It was later turned over to his son-in-law, George W. Moore, in about 1840; he operated the mill until 1885.

The beach area, owned by William and Lavina Simpson, was conveyed in 1934 to George D. Shepardson, Sr. and Henry Wilbur. The land provided access to haul pond water to animals during dry periods, and to haul ice to be stored in icehouses, one of which was owned by Mr. Shepardson at Lake View Farm. With the coming of electricity in about 1948, Anna Farley bought the beach area and constructed a stand that sold 25-cent hotdogs, ice cream, soda, candy, and a few staples. Two boats for fishing were also available to rent. With many truckloads of sand, the previous “pebble beach” was turned into a fine swimming area with a raft in the then-deeper water. In the mid 1950s, men's and women's changing rooms were built, but there was never running water or toilet facilities on the premises. The beach area was posted as “Private Property” which Mrs. Farley thought might protect against liability if anyone got hurt. The sign also served as justification years later for asking certain groups (e.g., throngs of commune-dwellers in ragged, if any, swimwear) to leave.

The Farleys operated the stand and beach for several years (1949-1963). Their children Walt and Claire, in turn, were required to “tend the stand” for hours a day at well-below minimum wage. As a business, the stand never made more than a few hundred dollars a year, perhaps due to the competition of the much better developed beach and stand at Laurel Lake. Nevertheless, in those baby-boomer days, there were many local and summer kids and teens (including musicians) that kept the place hopping, if not profitable.

A white birch tree, which would now be several feet from shore, once stabilized the sand against the steady flow of water toward the dam. When that tree died and disintegrated, the sand slowly moved west and yielded the current, straight shoreline. Current prohibitions against adding more sand have led to more grass and pebbles and less beach.

In 1987 the land was sold to Neil Chadwick for access to the pond for Camp Selah located on E. Wilson Road next to the brook. After much negotiation the town of Warwick acquired the land on May 24, 2010. The stand and changing house on the site were moved. The Town Beach Committee was created to manage our public beach and to raise money for regular testing of water quality. It has been funded and managed now for 8 years. On only two occasions did negative test results exceed state standards and the beach was closed, to be reopened the next day, following acceptable test results. We hope town residents are enjoying the beach area for swimming, fishing, and skating. In recent years, the beach has also been included in Old Home Days celebrations. For the town's 250th anniversary (and for practice the year before), ice was cut and stored to make ice cream for Old Home Day. The corregatta (cardboard boat race) has become a popular Old Home Days event for all ages. It is scheduled for Sunday, August 26 at 2:00. Sign up to race a boat (forms available at the town hall and library), or show up to watch the fun.

David E. Shepardson, Beach Committee Chairman; Warwick Historical Society
Claire Farley Michaels, Beach Committee Member
YOGA Starting on August 11th we will have a different guest yoga teacher each Saturday at 9:15am for 5 weeks. This will be a wonderful opportunity to experience different teaching styles. Please join us, new comers always welcome. $10 I am still looking to fill 2 spots, if anyone is a certified teacher or has a suggestion please call me.

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

Come dressed comfortably/to move (no jeans), and please refrain from wearing fragrances. You’ll need a body-length blanket or towel, optimally with a yoga mat underneath, if you have one. Classes will be at the Warwick Town Hall on Sundays from 1:00-2:30pm starting May 20th. Cost is $10-15 sliding scale. *PLEASE check the Facebook page regularly in case a class gets canceled for any reason and/or connect with me by email for class updates.

Katherine Kendall is a local dancer and athlete who explored every healing modality in the book after a car accident in 2004. In 2005, she tried Clinical Somatics, finally finding something that really helped chronic pain and lost mobility. Somatics offered such healing and empowerment that Katherine trained for over 700 hours to become a practitioner. Learn more about Clinical Somatics at the institute web site: Somatics.org.

*Connect with Katherine on Facebook at "The Somatic Solution" and/or email info@somaticsolution.com. Private sessions are available.

- Leanne Limoges

Chesterwood
4 Williamsville Road
Stockbridge, MA

Hours - May 26 to Oct. 8, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 7 days a week.
After Columbus Day, open weekends only (Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28) 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. daily.

Admission - $20 Adults, $19 Seniors, $10 (13-18 yr. of age), under 13 Free

I thought I’d do something a little different for a change and give you a “day tripper” with a restaurant review added. If you haven’t been to Chesterwood, it is well worth a visit. Chesterwood is a historic site of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the former summer home, studio and gardens of America’s foremost 20th century public sculptor, Daniel Chester French is best known for Minute Man, 1874 (Concord, MA) and the seated figure of Abraham Lincoln for the Lincoln Memorial, 1922 (Washington, DC). I recommend you see the movie before you start the tour so you will have a better understanding of what he did.

You get to tour his residence which is still being remodeled on the upper levels and you get to see his studio with some of his most well-known work. The grounds are beautiful so make sure to get on the porch of the studio and look at the lovely grounds with mountains in the distance. And again the patio on the front of the house gives a spectacular view of the Berkshires.

The walk around the grounds and thru what they call the Woodland trail is such a treat. It was a very hot day when I was there, but the woods were cool and refreshing. We walked to the end to a lookout area with a nice bench to view the Berkshires.

Either before going to Chesterwood or after you leave (but before 2 PM) you may want to stop at Roses for Breakfast or Lunch since their hours are 7 AM to 2 PM daily.

Roses Restaurant
160 Housatonic St
Lee, MA 01238

Hours – Daily 7 AM to 2 PM

It’s a small homey restaurant with excellent sandwiches and they always have a homemade soup de jour. I felt like a burguer this trip and it was cooked to perfection, nice and juicy. Served with French fries but you can also add onion rings or sweet potato fries for extra. I haven’t tried their breakfast yet, but I can only assume it is done to perfection, pancakes, French toast, Omelets, and breakfast sandwiches.

So next time you are looking to do something within a day’s ride (it takes under 2 hours to get there) think about a stroll around Chesterwood and breakfast or lunch at Roses before or after the stroll. I doubt you will be disappointed in either. Enjoy and Bon Appetite.

-Gloria Vamo
OLD HOME DAYS
SCHEDULE
SATURDAY, AUGUST 25 AND SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

SATURDAY, August 25th

8:00 am  Coffee and Donuts in the Town Hall (not confirmed)
9:00 am – 3:00 pm  Tag Sale on the Town Common. Crafters are welcome. Free space, but bring your own table.
10:00 am  Parade -- Line up at Warwick Community School at 9:30 am
10:00 am – 2:00 pm  Open Mike. Anyone wishing to perform, come on down. We will fit you in. Henry the Juggler will be performing for us this year.
10:00 am—1:00 pm  Library will be open
12 Noon  Fire Department Cookout – Hamburgers, Hot Dog and Fries


6:00 pm  Metcalf Chapel Old Home Days Dinner at the Town Hall
7:00 pm  Albert Einstein – Reluctant Superstar. Performance at the Town Hall. These shows are awesome about the second half of his life.

SUNDAY, August 26th

10:00 – 1:00 pm  Firemen’s Muster at the Warwick Fire Department (in the works)
1:00 pm  Satellite Toss on the Town Common
2:00 pm  Annual Town Beach Committee Cardboard Boat Race at Moores Pond Town Beach

Old Home Days Dinner
Saturday, August 25, 2018
6pm
Warwick Town Hall

Menu: Pork loin, baked beans and coleslaw with brownies and ice cream for dessert.

Adults $12.00
Children 12 and under $6.00
Under 3 Free

Proceeds Benefit Trinitarian Congregational Church of Warwick
The Warwick Arts Council Presents:

Old Home Days Theater Performance
One man show by George Capaccio
Albert Einstein - Reluctant Superstar
Saturday August 25th 2018 @ 7:00 pm

WARWICK TOWN HALL
Rt. 78, Warwick MA Center

The fascinating life story of Albert Einstein continues. Watch and listen as George Capaccio brings the great scientist back to life here in our very own Town Hall. George packed the room in 2016 and wowed us with his spot on performance. Don’t miss the second half of Einstein’s life story!

ALL WELCOME!
FREE but donations gratefully accepted

Calling Warwick Artists:
It’s Coming....

The Art Show is just around the corner!

The Warwick Arts Council wants to put your work on display in the Town Hall at our 28th Annual Art Show on Columbus Day weekend in October (10/5/18-10/8/18). Greater Warwick area artists of all ages and experience levels are encouraged to complete those creative projects. If you create it, we’ll show it off – whether it’s fiber art, ceramics, collage, puppetry, wood carving, furniture, monotypes, jewelry, drawings, sculpture, photography, painting or something different. So put this notice on your bulletin board or refrigerator and get cracking! Details will appear in the October newsletter about joining our community arts weekend that will include an artist reception. Questions? Email: tomwyattphoto@gmail.com or call 413-768-8641
Warwick Arts Council News

The Warwick Arts council is pleased to present: *Albert Einstein – Reluctant Superstar* on Saturday August 25th at 7:00 pm in the Warwick Town Hall, as part of Old Home Days. Please join us for part II of Boston performance artist George Capaccio’s fabulous life-like portrayal of Albert Einstein. Part I, presented at Old Home Days 2016, was fascinating, humorous, enlightening, and educational in equal measure. We’re convinced that this second segment will be just as entertaining.

Starting with a brief recap of Einstein’s stunning scientific breakthrough of 1919, the performance will move on to his public opposition to war, desire for world peace, passionate opposition to racism, and efforts to help Jewish intellectuals flee Nazi Germany and find refuge in the United States. *Albert Einstein – Reluctant Superstar* will introduce you to the great scientist’s principled stand against injustice and the price he paid for his unwavering devotion to humanity. You won’t want to miss it!

**News Flash:** The 28th Annual Warwick Art Show & Sale is just around the corner! Do you create art? How about abstracts, appliques, or azulejos? Batiks, basketry, beadery, bone carving, or book bindery? Calligraphy, cartoons, or charcoal? Crewel, crochet, or cross-stitch? Decoupage, dolls, etching, embroidery, or enameling? Fashion, film, fiber, or furniture? Goldsmithing, handicrafts, ikebana, or intarsia? Jewelry, joinery, or Jack-o’-lanterns? Knitting, knotting, or not? Lacquering, lacemaking, or decorative cake baking? Macramé, marquetry, or mosaics? Needlepoint, origami? Or that thing that you showed at Art Basel in Miami? Paintings, pastels, posters, or pottery? Quilling, or quilting, or model airplane building? Rug weaving, rug hooking, or duct tape creations that are sort of good-looking? Sculpture, scrimshaw, scribbles, or spinning? Tattoos, tatting, temperas, tinsmithing, or tonsillectomies? (Oops….wrong show.) Upholstery, video, or velvet Elvising? Watercolor, weaving, or woolen goods? X-ray photography? (Yep. It’s a type of art!) Yarn spinning? Zamboni ice carving? (Nope. I made that one up.) If any of this applies to you, get ready for our big show on Columbus Day Weekend. Stay tuned. More details to follow.

**ATTENTION ALL CRAFTERS AND VENDORS OF HAND/HOME-MADE GOODS**

The Warwick Church (TCC) is teaming up with the Warwick Community School PTO to put on a bigger and better Fair on SATERDAY, NOVEMBER 24th at the Warwick Community School.

More information will be coming to you in the September Newsletter and the local list-serves with details for reserving table/space for your merchandise and/or services.

If you have any suggestions or comments you would like to share before the September newsletter comes out you can email Dan at metcalflucc@gmail.com or call Andrea Woods at 978-544-6844.

We hope you will put our Fair on your calendar and help us make this the best fair ever.

Hope you can come.
Dear Friends,

“A dispute also arose among them, which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. And he said to them, 

'The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors.

But not so with you; rather let the greatest among you become as the youngest, the leader as one who serves. For which is the greater, one who sits at table, or one who serves? Is it not the one who sits at table? But I am among you as one who serves.’” 


Humility is a hard concept for us humans to grasp and even harder to live with in our personal lives. It is an absurd notion in the world of politics and celebrities. Who would get elected if they didn’t spend a lot of time and money on proclaiming themselves “the Greatest”? Isn’t “the Greatest” the one who gets the most attention, the most headlines, the most often on the front page of newspapers and magazines? The world is currently awash in the “greatest” leaders since WWII. Strongmen, authoritarian leaders, are in control from Russia to North Korea, from Turkey to Argentina, from Israel to China to the USA. Not a humble bone in their collective bodies. So where does this foolish notion of humility lead us?

Well, where is the notion of superiority or greatness leading us? Is the world a safer more stable place with these great egos jockeying for position? Does the notion of racial superiority lead to stability and security? Does the accumulation of wealth and power in the hands of a few mean a better world for all? Is the earth itself, the air, water, soil, in better shape for the control humans have exerted through aggressive agriculture, mineral extraction, indiscriminate use of herbicides, pesticides, and fertilizers, and the mass production of one-and-done plastic consumer goods? Is there nothing in the world (or the universe) that is exempt from monetization? For some time, the “value” of everything, from environmental assessments to human life, has been reduced to a monetary value and, under the current administration, that way of assigning “value” has been greatly prioritized and sharply focused; what brings the greatest immediate return on investment? In other words, those with the greatest concentration of wealth are the greatest and of greatest concern. The word hubris comes to mind; an excessive pride and ambition that inevitably leads to one’s downfall. To the Greeks, hubris was a characteristic flaw of tragic figures like Oedipus or Achilles. It was a prominent feature in Shakespeare’s tragedies as well, think of Macbeth.

According to Jesus, and most other religious traditions, humility should be guiding our personal and corporate decisions; what brings the most benefit to the most things affected by the decision. This requires a humility that is pretty much absent from our culture at this time. It requires us, humans, to see ourselves as PART of the whole web of life, not the be-all-and-end-all of creation. This is reflected in our language already. Adam, the name used for the “first” human, comes from the Hebrew word adam; (which is a feminine noun by the way) meaning soil or ground. Our word human comes from the Latin word humus which also means soil. So we are from the soil, part of the earth. Humility implies caring for that from which we came, of which we are a part. Being humble does not mean groveling servitude, it means being aware of the greater whole, holding ourselves responsible for misjudgments that harm others and working to repair the harm; going beyond ego to community.

Fr Richard Rohr believes that we humans “have the capacity to grow beyond ego and nationalism into a new identity, one that holds space for everyone to belong and be loved. I still have hope that human consciousness can and will evolve – but apparently we have not suffered enough yet to realize our need for such evolution.”

“How long, O Lord must we suffer this blindness?”

In hopeful faith, Dan
UP COMING EVENTS

**14th Annual Fill the BELLY-BUS Food Drive** will be collecting food and personal care items on Aug 3. The Chapel is a drop-off site for this event. Bring non-perishable food items or personal care items to the Chapel any time night or day until Aug 2. On the 3rd, we will take all the collected items to Greenfield. This event is organized by the Franklin County Hunger Task Force in conjunction with Community Action. Monetary donations are extremely helpful as well. Checks may be made out to the Franklin County Hunger Task Force,

**OLD HOME DAYS —AUG 25 & 26**

The Church will have a MISSION TABLE on the lawn Saturday with information about Church World Service (CWS) “Hygiene Kits”. These kits are sent around the world (including the US) to help people recovering from a disaster or grinding poverty. They can be the difference between sickness and health.

We are also providing the Old Home Days Supper in the Town Hall on Sat, at 6 PM. Pork loin, baked beans and coleslaw are the main course along with brownies and ice cream for dessert. Come enjoy a wonderful meal with friends and neighbors.

**VACATION BIBLE DAYS EXPANDED**

This year we have so much to offer that we are going from Monday thru Friday, Aug 13 – 17. The focus will be on our local habitat and the animals and plants we share this beautiful part of the world with. Tom Ricardo, raptor rehabilitator, Bobby Curly of the North Quabbin Trails Assoc. to lead a hike around Richard’s Reservoir, and David Small of the Athol Bird and Nature club will all be with us. We will also be making a float for the Old Home Days parade and ending with a splash in Moores Pond on Friday. This program is free and open to area children going into K-6 grades.

**COMING IN SEPT.**

**A Meal & Sing around the campfire —Sat, Sept 16**
more details next month

**ON-GOING ACTIVITIES AT THE METCALF CHAPEL**

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

**MEDICAL SUPPLY LIBRARY**
We have crutches, wheelchairs, walkers and many other medical supplies for free loan at the Chapel. Check us out before buying new.
Town of Warwick
Selectboard
June 18, 2018
Minutes

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne
Member absent: James Erviti
Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Buildings and Energy Committee member Janice Kurkoski, Fire Chief Ron Gates

Pruyne MOVED to approve the minutes of June 4, 2018 as corrected. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0

Pruyne MOVED the slate of FY 19 appointments with corrections as noted. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to authorize the Chair to sign the contract with Colonial Power for the next step in electric aggregation. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to authorize Warwick Broadband System to buy a motorized boom lift and possibly also a trailer. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Scanlon and Associates for the FY 18 audit. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Magi MOVED to hold the nuisance dog hearing on Monday, July 16, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

At 7:12 p.m. Magi MOVED to adjourn. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Town of Warwick
Selectboard
July 2, 2018
Minutes

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti (arrived at 6:02 p.m.)
Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Highway Superintendent Larry Delaney, Nancy Kilhart, Bruce Kilhart, Bob Croke, Kevin Alden

Pruyne MOVED to approve the June 18, 2018 minutes as printed. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Jim Toth to the Cemetery Commission until the May 2019 Annual Town Election. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Pruyne MOVED to maintain the appointments of FY 18 for the FRCOG Representative and Alternate. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Erviti MOVED that Lawrence Pruyne be Chair of the Selectboard. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-1-0: Aye – Pruyne and Erviti; NAY – Magi.

Magi MOVED to adjourn at 7:47 p.m. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.
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HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING—August 22
OLD HOME DAYS —August 25 and 26
Town of Warwick
Selectboard
June 18, 2018
Minutes

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne

Member absent: James Erviti

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Buildings and Energy Committee member Janice Kurkoski, Fire Chief Ron Gates

I. Call to Order

Chair Magi called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. in the Town Hall.

II. Minutes

Magi added the following sentence to the last paragraph of IV.2: The Selectboard told Delaney that the Route 78 to Wendell Road portion of Northfield Road should be a priority task.

Pruyne MOVED to approve the minutes of June 4, 2018 as corrected. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

III. Presentations and Discussions

1. FY 19 Appointments and Vacancies — Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo was asked to present the list of appointment for FY 19. Magi noted that the late Charlie Brown’s name needed to be removed from the Veterans Monument Committee.

Pruyne MOVED the slate of FY 19 appointments with corrections as noted. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Fratangelo explained that due to a failure to elect for both Cemetery Commissioner and Transfer Station Commissioner at the May 21st Annual Town Election, the Board could
appoint someone to fill the office until the May 2019 election. There was a consensus of the Board that Young would publicize the vacancies in the newsletter and on the “L” and Fratangelo would attempt to contact Jim Toth, as he has served on the Cemetery Commission in the past.

2. Colonial Power Electric Aggregation Contract—Janice Kurkoski said that in 2011 Town Meeting voted for Hampshire COG to represent us in electric aggregation, but a conflict of interest with Hampshire COG led to FRCOG taking over. The 2018 ATM voted to remove Hampshire COG from the article, and now FRCOG can represent us along with 12 other towns. Colonial Power was the only company to respond to FRCOG’s request for bids. Kurkoski explained that Colonial Power would represent the towns to aggregate residential and commercial accounts and would become the default supplier if approved by the Department of Public Utilities (DPU). She noted that Aggregation has stricter rules, and that it takes about seven or eight months for the DPU to rule on the proposal once Colonial Power submits it. Kurkoski said that all 13 towns have voted at their Annual Town Meetings to go with this plan, and some Selectboards have signed on to allow Colonial Power to proceed on their town’s behalf. She explained that the next step in the process would be to open a dialogue with Colonial to discuss the Town’s needs. Kurkoski requested that the Board vote to sign the contract with Colonial Power and move forward with the electric aggregation process.

Pruyne MOVED to authorize the Chair to sign the contract with Colonial Power for the next step in electric aggregation. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

3. Telephone Upgrade — Young explained that because the 20-foot square plot by the old Fire Station and the telephone cabinet is part of an original land grant and therefore lacks a deed, Verizon wants the Town to provide a warranty covenant deed for the upgrade work. He said Town Counsel informed him that the Town could, if ever challenged, must defend the grant. Young pointed out that as the land has been owned by the Town since 1763, there is little chance of a competing interest, but as the Town’s attorney, Counsel is obligated to provide all possible scenarios.

4. Broadband — Young said that a few years ago the Selectboard approved a joint Highway/Broadband acquisition of a used bucket truck. He said that he wanted to purchase a motorized boom lift paid for out of Broadband operating budget. Young noted that the equipment could be sold at the end of the WBS rebuild or kept for use by the Highway and Fire Departments. He said he has identified four identical units in Pennsylvania with Cummins 4-cylinder diesel powered motor (under 2,000 hours), 4-wheel drive, 500 lbs. lift with hydraulic leveling 60-foot lift at a cost of $13,000.00. Young said that the procurement process would have to be followed. He pointed out that renting a smaller unit would cost about $900.00 for four days but it is needed for the entire summer. Young said that the Broadband grant will not be used to pay for this, and that Broadband has sufficient funds to pay for the unit.

Pruyne MOVED to authorize Warwick Broadband System to buy a motorized boom lift and possibly also a trailer. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.
Young said that the Firemen’s Association had built a shed at the Highway Department that he would like Broadband to be able to use it for storage. Chief Gates said he would have to check to see what it cost the Association and be sure the Highway does not want to use the shed. Young and Gates will work on determining a cost for the shed and return to the Board for approval.

5. **Appoint/Engage Auditors for FY 18**—Young said that we have an audit done every three years, and that the most recent was done for FY 15. He explained that Scanlon and Associates is the firm that has been engaged by the Town for many years. Young noted that he expects the books to be closed by the end of September, and the FY 18 audit can commence at any point after that. Young read aloud some highlights of the FY 15 audit findings. Pruyne commented that he hoped Bill Foote and John Gagliani were looking at forming a Capital Planning Committee.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Scanlon and Associates for the FY 18 audit. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

6. **Nuisance Dog Hearing**—Young said that the dog owner was served the summons by Constable George Day. Ms. Findlay Stewart contacted him because she discovered a scheduling conflict that will make her unable to attend the hearing slated to be held on Monday, July 2nd and requested the hearing be rescheduled to earlier in June or later in July. Animal Control Officer Fratangelo said that she preferred July 16th for three reasons: The Board did not have to schedule a special meeting, she would have adequate time to prepare a concise report available for the Board’s review prior to the hearing, and in mid-July Jim Erviti would be back and the hearing would be presided over by the full Selectboard. Fratangelo said that she preferred holding the hearing when the dog owner would be present, as it makes everything fairer.

Magi MOVED to hold the nuisance dog hearing on Monday, July 16, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

7. **Selectboard Reports**—None.

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

9. **New and Other Business Unanticipated at Time of Meeting Posting**—Chief Gates said that Engine #5 has been returned to the State, and that the Mack is out of service and will also be decommissioned and returned to the State. He said that they will be having the pump and swivel dump put on the GMC tanker and that he also plans to have an automatic transmission installed so all 14 firefighters can drive it. The Chief noted that right now, with a standard transmission, only three Fire Department members are able to drive the truck. He said that the license plates from the Mack will be transferred to the GMC and the plates from Engine #5 will be turned in to the Registry.

The Chief inquired about the fire alarm at the Library. Young explained that the Library alarm is not serviced by the same company as the one at Town Hall. It turns out that the Library
alarm has not been monitored for at least the last two years, but it is not paid for by the Town as it is the Library is responsible from its own budget. Chief Gates wanted to be sure that the Town had not been paying for services not rendered. Young noted that the Town is advisory only and has no authority over the Library and pointed out that the Library Trustees are meeting later this month and the matter of the fire alarm will be addressed. Young said that a very loud claxon alarm would alert neighbors who would in turn call 911; Chief Gates agreed that a loud outdoor alarm could be helpful.

10. Public Comment—Pruyne brought up the possibility of having the website and “L” on a future agenda. Young said that website administrator Ed Lemon has some trouble with some documents sent for posting to the site, especially those in either scanned .pdf or .docx formats

IV. Adjournment

At 7:12 p.m. Magi MOVED to adjourn. Pruynse SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Documents consulted at this meeting:
* Draft Minutes of June 4, 2018 Selectboard meeting
* Coordinator Report dated June 14, 2018
* FY 19 Selectboard Appointment List
* Resignation letter (via Email) from Rick Abbott dated June 1, 2018
* Franklin County Electricity Aggregation Project Update
* Colonial Power Group Electricity Supply Aggregation Consultant Services Proposal
* Franklin County Electricity Supply Aggregation Request for Proposals IFB# 20180409
* Summonis to Catherine Findlay Stewart for July 2, 2018 Nuisance Dog Hearing
* Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Compliance Form
* Emails to Jeremia Pollard from David Young dated June 8, 2018 and from Jeremia Pollard to David Young dated June 11, 2018 RE: Easement Verizon Equipment – Orange Road, Warwick
Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti (arrived at 6:02 p.m.)
Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Highway Superintendent Larry Delaney, Nancy Kilhart, Bruce Kilhart, Bob Croke, Kevin Alden

I. Call to Order
Chair Magi called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. in the Town Hall.

II. Minutes
Pruyne MOVED to approve the June 18, 2018 minutes as printed. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

III. Presentations and Discussions
1. Appointments—Young said that Town Clerk Fratangelo informed him that Jim Toth is willing to serve on the Cemetery Commission until the May 2019 annual election.

Pruyne MOVED to appoint Jim Toth to the Cemetery Commission until the May 2019 Annual Town Election. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

At this point, Jim Erviti arrived at the meeting. For FY 18 Dawn Magi served as our representative to FRCOG and “Doc” Pruyne was the Alternate; both said they were willing to continue serving in those capacities.

Pruyne MOVED to maintain the appointments of FY 18 for the FRCOG Representative and Alternate. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

No decisions were made on the FRCOG Regional Emergency Planning Committee or FRTA Advisory Committee appointments.

2. Notarize Verizon Warranty Covenant Right and Easement—Young said that former Town Clerk and notary Jeannette Fellows was not able to attend tonight’s meeting to notarize the documents. There was a consensus of the Board to arrange for another appointment for Ms. Fellows to notarize the paperwork.
3. Highway—Highway Superintendent said that he has separated all bad sections of road into individual projects to best determine how to get the most amount of work done with the money we have. He said that he has settled on four projects: Orange Road, Winchester Road, Northfield Road and Athol Road. Delaney explained that the Orange Road project, from the Orange town line to Hockanum Road will have 1 and a half inches milled off and one and a half inches of asphalt applied at an estimated cost of $180,000.00 start to finish. He said that the Winchester Road project will go from the intersection of Route 78 and Northfield Road to the new pavement at the bottom of the Gulf, about 4,500 feet, with the same milling and overlay process as Orange Road for an estimated cost of $109,500.00. Delaney stated that Northfield Road from Route 78 to the section repaired last year is about 10,000 feet and will cost around $242,000.00. He said that Athol Road from Clark Lumber to the start of the shim by Tony Miner’s property is around 3,450 feet and will cost approximately $83,600.00. Delaney noted that another section of Athol Road was originally considered, but due to its condition being deemed good enough to last through another winter season, it will be put off until next year in favor of the approximately 1980-foot section of Wendell Road from the Moss Brook Bridge to the Orange town line, which will cost roughly $40,000.00. Delaney explained that he adds in an additional 10% as a contingency should prices and/or amount of material change, so the total with the additional 10% is $718,880.00. He said that after all these projects are completed, we will have $103,746.00 remaining Chapter 90 funds.

Delaney said that after July 11th he will know what company won the FRCOG bidding process and he will be able to schedule the paving. He said that Winchester Road will be milled down and smoothed up first, even if it is not immediately paved. Young asked if crack sealing could be done with funds from the contingency money if it is not expended. Delaney said that three days’ worth of crack sealing would use about 2,400 gallons of material at a cost of around $28,968.00 and could be used on Winchester Road, Flower Hill Road, and maybe Hastings Heights Road as well. He noted that he expects the other projects to come in under budget. Delaney said the projects would be completed in the following order: Winchester Road, Northfield Road, Athol Road, Orange Road.

Delaney spoke about emulsion chips which cost $4.50 per square yard while 1-inch hot mix costs $3.50. He said that crumb rubber chip seal on other roads in the future, which he said was an expensive but effective way to repair roads that are not yet in bad shape. Erviti said that during his recent cross-country motorcycle trip he observed that chip seal on roads in pretty good shape keep them in good shape.

Delaney presented the Board with Chapter 90 project request paperwork as well as the environmental punch list. Chair Magi signed the Chapter 90 documents, and all three Board members signed the environmental paperwork needed by Delaney for his 7p.m. meeting with the Conservation Commission.

Delaney reiterated his desire to get as much done as possible with the funds we have available. Bob Croke asked about lower Northfield Road; Delaney said that patching will begin this week on that rough section of road. Delaney said that by the next Board meeting he should have a project timeline firmed up.
Young had bridge reports from the Mass DOT on the Moss Brook bridge (Wendell Road), Gale Pond small bridge, the outflow from Clubhouse Pond (Athol Road), Darling Brook (Hockanum Road) and Orcutt Bridge (Orange Road), all of which he gave to Delaney for his review and discussion at a future meeting.

Kevin Alden said that the water needs to be able to drain off our roads properly. He noted that catch basins in the center of town have not been cleaned for 15 years, but wash-outs could be averted if the ditches are cleaned out as they should be. Delaney said that he will be speaking about this issue with the Conservation Commission at their meeting tonight. Alden asked if the Town could petition the State to take over Route 78. Young said that while he deemed this a waste of time due to the State’s inevitable denial of such a request, it would be a benefit to us except for road salt issues.

Baystate Roads Program has recognized Larry Delaney as their newest Master Road Scholar. Delaney attended a minimum of 22 training sessions presented by Baystate Roads. Magi congratulated Delaney on his accomplishment.

4. Format of Selectboard Minutes— Young said that the current format of Selectboard minutes was initiated by Patricia Lemon about ten years ago. Town Secretary Fratangelo asked that the Board allow her to make some changes to make the format easier for the Newsletter editors to work with. She said that the use of text boxes has proved onerous and problematic for the Newsletter. Young noted that it would also be of benefit to Ed Lemon for posting on the website. There was a consensus of the Board to change the format, including the elimination of text boxes and the use of bold type for motions and votes.

5. Selectboard Reports— Pruyne said that he met with Warwick School Committee members Martha Morse and Sue O’Reilly McRae, Representative Marks and some others about the PVRSD deficit. He said that the legislation was largely taken from information and a template of another school district whose debt was less than that of PVRSD. Pruyne noted that some changes were made specific to our situation, including the closure of elementary schools. The bill will authorize PVRSD to borrow up to $2,000,000.00. Young said that the debt is 1.1 million dollars minus the school lunch debt which was addressed separately by the four towns at their 2018 Annual Town Meetings and the borrowing would be done at a 2-3% interest with 10 years to repay beginning in 2020. Young note that he was the only School Committee member to vote against the borrowing; he said a couple of others abstained. He said that the borrowed funds will wipe out the FY 17 and FY 18 losses and pointed out that PVRSD has been losing money every year with student enrollment falling from 1,000 ten years ago to 664 this year. Young said that best case the bill would be voted on in the Legislature buy the end of July. He explained that the bill temporarily suspends part of the District Agreement that all elementary students must be educated in their own towns, the very element that allowed it to be passed in all four towns to begin with. Pruyne said that the bill must be passed by the Legislature and signed by Governor Baker by January 1, 2019 or it is dead. The bill is currently still open for revision and has been filed with the attorney for the Legislature but still needs to go to committee. Young said that either DESE or DOR added on the suspension of certain District Agreement elements.
Young pointed out that it would be possible for WCS to handle overflow from Northfield, which would save on the salary of an additional teacher as their students could be taught by a WCS teacher in one of our classrooms. Erviti favored leaving a District that cannot run properly. Pruynne said it was time to start investigating the process and associated costs of leaving the District; Erviti concurred. Pruynne said that he preferred if only the Leyden elementary school be in the bill as up for possible closure.

Nancy Kilhart said that this issue needs to be dealt with now and get to a point where there will be no deficit spending. She said declining school enrollment needs to be addressed as well. Ms. Kilhart went through several a list of several points and questions she had written down before coming to this meeting about how we got here, how to get through it and move past it.

Pruynne said that the school district is a sub-set of State government and as such the State, as a Commonwealth, dissolve the District. Young said that this is consistent with State regulations and the State Constitution. He said ruthless cuts are ahead as the District is still over-budget. Young flatly stated that there is no way WCS will close this coming school year. He said that the Leyden elementary school building is insufficient, whereas Warwick’s is the best and newest building in the District.

Nancy Kilhart mentioned marching in Boston to draw attention to the problems of PVRSD as a rural school district and noted that transportation costs have never been fairly funded here since the 1950’s.

6. Coordinator Report — Youngs aid that he will be on vacation all next week.

7. New and Other Business Unanticipated at Time of Posting Meeting — Erviti asked if there was anything that needed to be done regarding the road salt issue before next winter season. Young explained that the Board of Health has funds in its budget for water testing, and that Town Counsel approved the letter they will be sending out to affected households. He noted that follow-up testing will allow the Board of Health to gather information on the salt levels in the affected wells.

Erviti said that he thought the vote to change the person who is chair in his absence was “a little underhanded” and he wanted to revisit the reorganization of the Board, which was done at a meeting while he was on vacation. He said that he wanted to do what he would have done had he been at that meeting.

Erviti MOVED that Lawrence Pruynne be Chair of the Selectboard. Pruynne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-1-0: Aye – Pruynne and Erviti; NAY – Magi.

Magi pointed out that business has to be conducted even when one member of the Board is not present.

8. Public Comment — None.

IV. Adjournment

Magi MOVED to adjourn at 7:47 p.m. Pruynne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.
Documents consulted at this meeting:

* Draft Minutes of June 18, 2018
* Town Coordinator Report dated June 28, 2018
* An Act Relative to the Financial Condition of the Pioneer Valley Regional School District
* Letter to the Warwick Selectboard from Baystate Roads dated June 20, 2018 RE: Master Roads
Scholar Larry Delaney