

# Warwick Community Newsletter

## A D M I N I S T R A T I V E   D E T A I L S

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# Thank You Andrea!

### A Fond Farewell From Andrea Woods

It has been my very real pleasure to have edited this Newsletter for the past 22 or so years. It's time to take a break and I am so very grateful that Beth Gilgun has agreed to expand her role from managing the advertising to preparing the whole newsletter. Bringing you news of all the great events we've had in town over the years, personal letters and even the mundane managing of the calendar always gave me a first row seat. Please support Beth in her new role by being prompt with submissions and continuing to financially support what I have been told by many is one of the most comprehensive newsletters around. Cheers, Andrea Woods

#### PHONE DIRECTORY

<b>Emergency</b>	<b>911</b>
	978-544-
Selectboard	6315
Treasurer/Collector	3845
Highway	6349
Library	7866
Fire Station	3314
Animal Control	3402
Animal Contr.Pager	217-2681
Clerk/Assessors	8304
Bd of Health	6315
Community School	6310
Fire Dept Business	2277
Police Dept Business	2244
Building Inspector	2236
FAX all depts.	6499
Burn Permits	413-625-8200
<b>Warwick Broadband Trouble</b>	
	<b>413-676-9544</b>

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Calvin and Fredericka Fellows   Wendy Wirth  
Oliver and Virginia Fellows   Cheri Robartes and Doc Pruyne

**Total: \$315**

# Thank You!

Please help us keep the Newsletter going! If you would like to make a donation, please make your check out to WCN and mail it to  
32 Athol Road, Warwick, MA 01378.

## OPEN HOUSE

Celebrating Oliver Fellows' 90th Birthday

Sunday, November 18 1-4 pm at Warwick Town Hall

We request the pleasure of your presence, but NO gifts, please.

Oliver has lived in Warwick almost all of his 90 years. If Oliver was your schoolmate, your bus driver, your shopmate, your snowmobile buddy, your square dance partner, your milkman, hayed your field, pulled you out of a ditch, plowed snow off your road, helped you build something, cut wood for you, pulled your calf out, shared a meal with you, or just waved when you drove by, please come say "Hello" and share your stories!

## TOWN CLERK

The State General Election and our Special Town Election will be held on Tuesday, November 6th in Town Hall.

The polls open at 7 a.m. and close at 8 p.m.

Please exercise your right to vote and let your voice be heard!



## Moore's Pond Beach Committee Ice Out Contest

It's tricky to think of it now, but sooner than we might imagine we'll be watching the freeze come off the land and water as spring comes.

The Moore's Pond Beach Committee will hold an Ice Out contest on Moore's Pond this coming spring. Ice out will be defined by, "Beam me down, Scotty." Duncan, the (concrete) Scottish terrier statue, will sit devotedly on the ice this winter and Warwick residents will be invited to guess which day and time he (she? I haven't checked) will punch through the ice for a swim. The person who guesses closest will win two tickets to the April Lasagna dinner hosted by the Beach committee. More details to follow!

## Women's Guild

Tuesday, November 6: Coffee (\$2.00) and donuts (\$1.00) will be available in the front entrance of Town Hall beginning at 7:00 am on Election Day. Starting at 11:00 am, the Guild will be selling chili, corn chowder, minestrone, baked beans, and cornbread in handy take-away containers of varying sizes. It's a good way to grab something delicious for lunch or dinner after you VOTE! Also available will be baked goods (cookies, brownies, etc) packaged to sell for \$1.00.

We would also welcome baked good contributions from community members, and ask that they be packaged and priced at \$1.00. All funds raised are used for community outreach right here in Warwick, and we thank you in advance for your patronage and support!

Tuesday, November 13: The Guild will hold its regular monthly meeting at 1:00 pm in the basement of the Town Hall.

Thank you for the many cards, visits, and well wishes. My triple by-pass was very successful and after a few other issues, I am getting back to normal. I am very appreciative of all that everyone has done for me.

Rod Whipple

## LIBRARY

Yep, discoveries everywhere! After staring at the attractive 3-volume edition of Jorge Luis Borges' works, I cracked the Poetry volume--and found the following: "No one is the homeland--it is all of us./May that clear, mysterious fire burn/Without ceasing, in my breast and yours." Then surprise: gazing at the Spanish translation opposite, I saw it attributed to the popular English writer W. Somerset Maugham.

My first book order is in! New fiction by Elin Hildebrand, Tayeri Jones, John Sandford, Kate Morton, Wilbur Smith, Kate Atkinson, Imogen Hermanauer, Brian Wiprud and Archer Mayor; new non-fiction by Susan Orleans (*The Library Book*), Christine DeLucia and chef Yotam Ottolenghi; and a universally acclaimed graphic novel by Cece Bell for kids (8-12).

Plus some DVDs and CDs, old and new. I'll add all the titles to the website page once they arrive: Check'em out! Ivan

### Movie and popcorn at Town Hall!

Local film-maker (and piano teacher) Cheri Robartes' feature film, 'If Music be the Food of Love', will be screened at Town Hall, after its recent premiers in Greenfield and Boston.

She wants a man in her life, but she's divorced, raising two kids, working, has no time. How about a part-time boyfriend? She finds him...but he wants so much more. And then there's this strange musician with an eye patch. Oh, and the aphrodisiac. And music and food!

The Warwick Arts Council will present this special showing of 'If Music be the Food of Love' on Saturday night, November 10th at 7pm. Rated PG (~13+)

It's free!

Funded by the Warwick Arts Council.

## REVIEW

### Theater at The Mount

On the Campus of Mount Wachusett  
Community College

444 Green Street

Gardner, MA 01440

Box Offices Hours: M-F 9:30 AM to  
12:30 PM

1:30 PM to

2:30 PM

Phone #: 978-630-9388

Email: [boxoffice@mwcc.mass.edu](mailto:boxoffice@mwcc.mass.edu)

Website: <https://mwcc.edu/campus-life/tam/shows/>

Beginning November 1, 2018, Theater at The Mount tickets will be going on sale for the upcoming shows in 2019. If you have never been to a show at the Mount, I highly recommend it. The local talent is awesome and every play they do is just as good as Broadway or even better. And the 'Price is Right'.

For \$75 plus shipping and handling (\$3) you can see all 5 shows. They have matinees as well as evening performances. I have been a season ticket holder for well over 30 years now and I have never been disappointed. And P.S., you can try some of the restaurant reviews I have been doing around the area too.

The shows for 2019 are as follows:

**MAMMA MIA**  
**THE MARVELOUS WONDERETTES**  
**SINGIN' IN THE RAIN**  
**DON'T DRESS FOR DINNER**  
**A CHRISTMAS STORY**

I hope you will consider a season ticket option but at least go to one show which I think you will thoroughly enjoy. Live theater is so much better than TV or the movies!

**LOOKING to RENT** My husband and I have been looking for a small farm for a while and have fallen in love with your area. We have several horses and some small pets. We were hoping to find something available to rent for a while to give us a chance to find the right place. We are very excited about moving there and the sooner the better. I do not have a computer so please call me at 508-507-1811. My name is Sue, and I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you

**R E C R E A T I O N   C O M M I T T E E****Sundays**

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

**Tuesdays**

6pm STRONG Tully \$5

**Wednesday November 11/7**

6pm ZUMBA town hall / Nao \$5

**Thursdays** except Thanksgiving

6pm ZUMBA town hall / Susan \$5

**Saturdays**

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

Warwick classes are recreation committee sponsored

Any questions call Leanne -5553

**SOMATICS**

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

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

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

Connect with Katherine on facebook at 'The Somatic Solution and or email [info@somaticsolution.com](mailto:info@somaticsolution.com) . Private sessions are available.

**G A T H E R I N G**

First Friday Gatherings will be held in the Town Hall, Friday, November 2 and December 7. Soups, Salads, Quiche, Sandwiches and Desert items will be available from 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM. Watch the L for menu posts.

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

Diana Tandy

**S H I N E   C o u n s e l o r**

It's that time of year again! If you are enrolled in a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan or a Medicare Advantage Plan (HMO/PPO), expect an information packet from your plan by the end of September. It is important to understand and save this information: it explains the changes in your plan for 2019. Premiums, deductibles, co-pays, and the drugs covered by your plan can change significantly! During Medicare Open Enrollment, you can adjust your plan for next year. SHINE Counselors help you understand your plan changes as well as other options you may have. Call now to discuss your insurance questions, schedule your SHINE phone or face to face appointment, or learn about group meetings during the Open Enrollment from October 15 through December 7.

If you would like an appointment with one of our SHINE Counselors, please call 978-544-3481 to make an appointment. Tracy will be at the Warwick Town Hall on Tuesdays, October 30, November 13 and 27 and December 18 between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM.

REMINDER: Be on the alert for your new Medicare card in the mail and as always, bring your card and drug list to your appointment.

## C A N D I D A T E   S T A T E M E N T

Hello to all Warwick Residents,

My name is Todd Dexter, I am running as a candidate for the Board of Selectman in the upcoming November 6<sup>th</sup> Election.

My Wife, Marcia and I have lived here in Warwick for 27 years. We, along with everyone else residing here are fortunate to live in a beautiful, quiet rural town. All of us have chosen to live in Warwick for one reason or another. Sustaining our rural character and continuing to improve our quality of life is a delicate balance.

This leads to the proactive choices we make as a community and how we want to see Warwick six months from now, or five years down the road. The town needs continued sustainability and civility in town government, a five year plan for our roads and transportation, solutions for our schools, support for our public safety departments and the continued expansion of Broadband communications. There are several issues facing the Town of Warwick and it comes down to what you, the voters want for an end result. If I am elected to the Board of Selectman I will begin working with the current membership on each of these matters. Also continuing to maintain the most reasonable tax rate we can live with.

I, along with four other town residents, Kevin Alden, Vernon Bass, Robert Croke and David Lambert formed what is now known as the Warwick Highway Advisory Committee. This committee was formed in August. Our focus has been assisting Superintendent Larry Delaney with prioritizing paving and road maintenance which has been a success with several roads being paved this year and more to come. I have also served a three-year term as one of the three Commissioners for the Transfer Station.

I am here to serve Warwick and you, our citizens as a member of the Board of Selectmen. My agenda is to hear from everyone, all town departments and committees. Everyone has a need, and if all of us come out and do this together it will work. Come to the Selectboard meetings, the annual town meeting, and special town meetings. The more you are informed the faster things will happen. The people make up our town legislature.

Warwick has a bright future as long as we, the citizens work together. Try and find the time to come out and volunteer, run for a position in town government. I have chosen to run for Selectmen and ask for your vote November 6<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you, Todd Dexter

B O A R D   O F  
H E A L T H

In an effort to be helpful to townspeople who might need information from the Board of Health, our clerk Nancy Lyman will be in the office for 1-5 PM Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> and Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.

This will happen in all months when the BOH is on its winter schedule. These Mondays will be the week of the BOH meeting. The BOH meets once a month from October through March. Our meetings for the remainder of this year will be November 14<sup>th</sup> and December 12<sup>th</sup>



**The COA Foot  
clinic dates for  
the rest of 2018**

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

Nov 9   Dec.14<sup>th</sup>

**Warwick Historical Society Voices from  
the Past column Correction for October:**

Ray Barber was Patty Ernest's Uncle, not father. Roy was her father and indeed, the crab apple trees in front of the library were planted in honor of her Dad. The ABC book belonged to her Uncle.

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](mailto:elemon@tiac.net).

# **TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of WARWICK**

NOVEMBER 2018

Dear Friends,

*“James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said... ‘Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.’ ... When the ten (other disciples) heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, ... ‘Whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve...’” from Mark 10: 35-45*

This episode happened soon after Peter, James and John had seen Jesus transfigured on the mountain top, talking with Elijah and Moses. I guess they must have thought that, because they had been chosen to accompany Jesus at such a significant moment, they were special, greater than the other disciples. And it only stands to reason; they had left a thriving business to follow Jesus. They and their father owned boats and had employees. Jesus would need people like them with management skills to head up this group of n'er-do-wells. Of course Jesus would want them at his side when he came into his glory.

But, Jesus says that the greatest is the one in service to the whole; not to one leader, not to one tribe, not to one ideology or one anything, but to the whole. Jesus' closest followers had a very hard time dealing with this concept, they were continually arguing and jockeying for position even as Jesus told them over and over again that they had it all wrong and that he, himself, would be sacrificed for the good of the whole. Greatness is in finding your place in the intricate, interconnected web of life and filling that space in a manner that is most beneficial to maintaining the health and integrity of the whole.

Humans are a *part* of the whole of creation. We are not the crown, not the focal point of creation; we are one of many integral, interrelated parts. If we fill that space well; if we interact with all that exists around us, then the whole is well. If we are disruptive and destructive in our interactions, then the whole becomes out of balance and unstable, and all parts are jeopardized.

Humanity has an outsized impact on the earth systems; the atmosphere, the water, the land and all the various ecosystems that support life. When we pollute the water with our waste plastic, garbage, oil and other toxic chemicals, the rivers, the lakes and even the oceans suffer. When the lakes, rivers and oceans suffer, everything in and around them suffers, from the smallest plankton to the largest whale. And the human communities that depend upon the water for drinking, for cleaning and for food, suffer physically and financially. When we dump our waste carbon and other chemicals into the air, we alter the physical make up and thus the functioning of the atmosphere, which disrupts the climate systems that are the weather creators. When the cycles of weather are altered plant systems that evolved within certain weather patterns are disrupted; we get deserts where grasslands once flourished. When long standing weather patterns are disrupted and once lush forests become dry, we get frequent and large forest fires. When weather patterns are disrupted and the surface temperature of the oceans rise just a few degrees, we get more powerful storms with high winds, excessive moisture and massive floods that devastate large, heavily populated areas and surrounding farm lands. When grasslands and other farmlands are disrupted, food becomes scarce and more expensive; famine becomes widespread. When famine spreads, people migrate and conflicts spread.

We live on a self-contained island in space. The air, the water and the minerals that surround us are all we have. The energy we receive from the sun sustains this system and when we significantly alter any one of these elements, we endanger the whole. Think of an aquarium. When everything in it is in balance, it supports the life in it. Too hot and the fish die, the algae takes over, the plants die and the whole thing becomes a stinking mess. The aquarium is still there, but the life has gone out of it. No single element is of greatest importance; it's all a question of balance. Who is greater than the one who strives to serve all to keep things in balance?

In hopeful faith, *Dan*

## **UP COMING EVENTS**

### **MOVIE NIGHT WED, NOV 14 6:30 PM 12 Sammy Ln**

We will be watching the documentary film “*Won’t You Be My Neighbor?*”, a loving and informative portrayal of Fred Rogers, the Presbyterian Minister who created the PBS TV show “*Mr Roger’s Neighborhood*”. The show will last about 1 ½ hrs, then we’ll break for refreshments and, for those wish to stay, we’ll have a time to talk about the film. Once again, Gordon & Diane Ellis have opened their home on Sammy Ln, behind Moore’s Pond for this event.

### **AREA ECUMENICAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE SUN, NOV 18 2 PM at the**

#### **United Church of Bernardston**

All are invited to this combined worship service of grace and thanks, with local clergy and faith leaders accompanied by a combined choir made up of members from many of our area church choirs.

### **HOLIDAY FAIR @ WCS SAT, NOV 24 9 AM – 2 PM**

This year, the church and the PTO will be hosting the HOLIDAY FAIR at the elementary school. Come support the PTO, the church and many local craftspeople. With a larger space, we will be able have more vendors while still feeding people with coffee and donuts in the morning and a hearty lunch at noon. Support your local community this holiday season.

### **ADVENT WORKSHOP SUN, DEC 2 5-7:30 PM at the Town Hall**

We begin with soup, bread or rolls and dessert, then we will break to talk briefly about some of the decorations we see at this time, where they originate and what they represent.

We will then make decorations to take home and brighten up a dark time of the year. This is FREE AND OPEN TO ALL.

### **HUNTERS’ SUPPER FRI, DEC 7 5 PM at the Town Hall**

No need to be a hunter to talk with new & old friends, about the bear you almost hit, or all the turkeys in your yard, while enjoying a hot, satisfying meal of braised beef and all the fixin’s.

This year, we’re welcoming new (to us) chefs Patty Lazok and Wollven. They have professional catering experience and, if they measure up to our high, high standards, we might invite them back again. Come help us determine whether they pass the test.

### **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 September 17, 2018 Minutes

Members present: Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, School Committee and HEART Committee member Sue O'Reilly McRae, Adam Holloway, Kristy Delfausse, Kevin Alden

### I. Call to Order

Chair Pruyne called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Town Hall.

### II. Minutes

**Pruyne MOVED to approve the August 27, 2018 minutes as printed. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.**

### III. Presentations and Discussions

**1. Appointments**— Young said that he wanted Mark Fellows and Eric Engman are willing to serve as Broadband installers. He noted that the upcoming build-out will necessitate the employment of additional installers. Young pointed out that Fellows and Engman cannot begin working until they have completed the required OSHA10 Training, and that they are both subject to the 6-month probationary period outlined in the town's Personnel Policy.

**Pruyne MOVED to authorize the hiring of Mark Fellows and Eric Engman as part-time employees as needed at a pay rate of \$16.00 an hour, with employment to begin after the successful completion of OSHA10 Training. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.**

**2. Municipal Electrical Aggregation**—Young said that this is our second pass at electrical aggregation as a municipality, this time through FRCOG with Colonial Power as the consultant. He explained that this would allow a municipality to replace the default, which in our case is National Grid's, standard offer with a better rate. Young pointed out that this would affect residents but not municipal electric bills and said that residents would be notified before any changes take effect so that they are able to choose whether or not to participate. Young said that Orange has been successful with this and that residents there are now saving money on their electric bills.

**Pruyne MOVED to authorize the approval of the Municipal Aggregation Plan. [Erviti SECONDED.](#) [Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.](#)**

**3. MOU with FRCOG for Green Communities Technical Assistance**—Erviti said that this is a \$5,000.00 MOU with FRCOG to provide Green Communities technical assistance, if needed. Young said that this would be dedicated to outside administrative costs in case the Kurkoskis choose not to continue reporting on green communities.

**Erviti MOVED to authorize the signing of the MOU with FRCOG for Green Communities Program Technical Assistance, if needed. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.**

**4. Formation of Advisory Committee to PVRSD School Committee**—Adam Holloway read aloud an excerpt from the District Agreement regarding the formation of an advisory committee to the PVRSD School Committee. He said that the Moderator is the appointing authority for two people from Warwick. Sue O'Reilly McRae said that she will be on the November ballot for the four-year term being vacated by Martha Morse. Young said that as a School Committee member he would like to see someone with interest to declare their intent to run as a write-in candidate for the two-year seat for which no one took out papers. Holloway said that the Warwick Community School Preservation Committee (WCSPC) is actively seeking someone who will be willing and capable to serve on the School Committee and noted that as a community we need a third person on the School Committee. He said that Tom Wyatt has taken on the task of finding to run as a write-in. Holloway said that he sees the advisory committee as a conduit between the PVRSD School Committee and WCSPC. Pruyne said he thought it might be a good way to bolster better



communication.

O'Reilly

McRae said that the HEART Committee will also need new members from Warwick to represent our town and the HEART Committee, as a fully functioning existing committee, could basically meet the same needs of an advisory committee looking to be formed. Holloway said that the HEART Committee has a very defined scope and the WCSPC's sole purpose is to preserve elementary education in Warwick, which is outside the narrow scope of the HEART Committee. Young said that he appreciates those on the WCSPC and stated that they need to be heard about preserving education here in Warwick. O'Reilly McRae said that the HEART Committee is currently serving as the advisory committee for the updating of the District Agreement.

Erviti said that a focused committee could provide valuable input to PVRSD School Committee and the HEART Committee regarding WCS. Pruyne said that he really appreciates the amount of work done and the hours spent by our School Committee members.

**Pruyne MOVED to create an Advisory Committee to PVRSD School Committee with two members at large to be appointed by the Moderator and the School Committee members from Warwick. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.**

Young said that local aid came in higher than anticipated and that a budget increase of around \$140,000.00 had been voted to hire a full-time finance manager. He explained that PVRSD must send a letter to all four of the member towns regarding the budget increase, and if two towns call a Special Town Meeting and repudiate the budget increase, that increase cannot be kept.

**5. Chapter 61 Right of First Refusal Request**—Erviti, because he is a member of the ZBA, recused himself from the discussion and left the room until this matter was concluded. Young said that there is a potential buyer for a portion of land known as Fred Lincoln's field, which is currently under Chapter 61. He explained that when a property comes out of Chapter 61, the Town has right of first refusal to purchase the land. Young said that the potential buyer has a special permit use matter before the ZBA, which is why Erviti could not be a part of this discussion. Because we currently have a two-member Selectboard and one has a conflict, there needs to be a meeting with the Selectboard Chair, Board of Assessors Chair and the Town Clerk to discuss and vote on the right of first refusal. Young pointed out that the Town Clerk is allowed to vote when a quorum of the Selectboard cannot be assembled.

Young said that the Town has no funds to buy the property, but perhaps the \$10,000.00 from the Town Forest expansion could be used as there is no plan for development. Young said he will soon schedule a meeting with Pruyne, Keith Ross and Town Clerk Fratangelo.

**6. Surplus Property** —Young said that there are several PC's that can be declared surplus property.

**Pruyne MOVED to declare used PC's and other peripheral equipment surplus property. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.**

**7. Selectboard Reports**— None this meeting.

**8. Coordinator Report**— Young said that the sign over the front door to Town Hall and the milepost sign on Athol Road will be restored at a cost of around \$200.00. He said that on Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup> there will be an event to celebrate the acquisition of additional Town Forest land, formerly the Victoria Shaw property, and that retired Senator Stan Rosenberg, members of his former staff and Warwick's Open Space and Town Forest Committees will attend. Young said that this is a community event and that people should meet at 2 p.m. at Town Hall.

**9. New and Other Business Unanticipated at Time of Meeting Posting**—Pruyne brought up the possibility of using trail cameras at sites around town with frequent illegal dumping. He listed Gale Road, Rum Brook Road and Hastings Heights Road as possible areas for surveillance. Young said that he will consult with Police Chief Shoemaker, and that he would want to connect the cameras to Warwick Broadband for remote access so that evidence is maintained even if the camera is destroyed.

**10. Public Comment**—None.

IV. Adjournment

**Erviti MOVED to adjourn at 7:14 p.m. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.**

Documents consulted at this meeting:

\*Draft Minutes of August 27, 2018  
nator Report dated September 12, 2018

and Town of Warwick for Green Communities Program Technical Assistance

\*FY 17 Warwick Vehicle Inventory and Fuel Use from Green Communities Report

\*Town Coordi-  
\*MOU between FRCOG

**Town of Warwick Selectboard October 1, 2018 Minutes**

Members present: Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Assessor Keith Ross, Broadband Committee Chair Tom Wyatt, Dawn Magi, Patty Lazok, Matthew Woollven

I. Call to Order

Chair Pruyne called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. in the Town Hall. Pruyne apologized for the meeting being called to order a few minutes late due to the joint Selectboard/ Broadband Committee running a bit over.

II. Minutes

**Erviti MOVED to approve the September 17, 2018 minutes as printed. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.**

III. Presentations and Discussions

**1. Official Position of the Board of Selectmen on the Continued Operation of Warwick Community School as a School** —Pruyne said that he brought up this matter to open the discussion. He said that options could include spending more money to run the school or close the school. Pruyne said that he expects more developments to be coming down the line and that things will not likely stay as they are now.

Erviti said that he is adamantly opposed to closing the school, saying that closing WCS is just wrong for the Town in every respect. Speaking as a School Committee member, Young said that we must gather data and come to an agreement on terms and how to allocate costs for things including shared services, special education, employee health insurance and administration. Young said that as a School Committee member there is a need to get a handle on reality. He noted that Warwick might even exit the District. Young stated that he personally does not want to see WCS close, and as Town Coordinator he is almost at that point as well. Erviti said that it was his understanding that we would leave the District only if WCS were to be closed. Young said that as Town Coordinator he wants to look at all possible options. He pointed out that there are only 34 children, including school choice students, in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade at PVRSD and said this was indicative of the problem within the District as a whole.

Pruyne said that his job is to consider the ramifications for the Town and to look out for and protect the Town's best interests and not those of the District. Erviti said that our chance of survival is probably better than that of the District. Pruyne said that the District is in dire straights and that we will keep paying more. He noted that he spoke with one of the consultants who is dealing with the School Committee and this person told him that we may pay more on top of the levy.

Young said that based on the current PVRSD figures the central office administration costs are about one third the cost to educate one pupil and that this is between 60 and 70 percent higher with respect to overhead than the next most expensive district. Young pointed out that PVRSD is down to two administrators earning over \$100,000.00 per year. Erviti brought up the possibility of combining districts. Young said that this district does not want to change. Pruyne said that he felt no one would know the actual deficit amount. Tom Wyatt commented that the School Committee is allowing the HEART Committee to do the research and wondered if the

School Committee members will listen to the consultants. Young said that five incumbents have two years left on their terms, and seven positions are up for election. He noted that the School Committee will reorganize after the November 6<sup>th</sup> election. Young said that there is a meeting on October 2<sup>nd</sup> to negotiate with the Teachers Union, but since there is no more money there is nothing to negotiate except for more lay-offs. Pruyne said that he could not see how closing WCS could benefit the Town in any way at all.

**Erviti MOVED that the Town's official position on Warwick Community School is that it remain open as a school. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.**

**2. PVRSD K-12 Notice of Voted FY 19 Budget Increase**—Young said that it is within the power of Town Meeting to vote to repudiate the voted FY 19 PVRSD budget increase. He noted that two towns must vote it down for it to be rejected. Young said that his position on this, both as Town Coordinator and School Committee member is that if we repudiate the increase he fears that things will revert to the old tricks of making unrealistic budget figures appear as though they will work when in fact they do not.

Dawn Magi asked if it is possible to obtain some real figures; Young said that there are about four different types of software, and that he was hopeful that a full-time business manager will whip things into shape and come up with meaningful reports within a couple of months. Young suggested that the Selectboard craft a letter to the District that while we will not hold a Special Town Meeting it was very tempting and use strong language to convey the gravity of the situation. Erviti said he is in favor of calling for a Special Town Meeting as it would be a good idea to inform the townspeople and include the voters in the process. Pruyne wanted to talk with the other member towns. Erviti noted that he has had positive responses from Bernardston and Northfield but still has yet to hear from Leyden. Young reminded the Board that we have 45 days from the date of the letter sent by PVRSD to the towns (September 17<sup>th</sup>) to hold a Special Town Meeting (November 1<sup>st</sup>). Pruyne chose to table the discussion for now and have a meeting to discuss this further.

**3. Follow-Up on Chapter 61 Right of First Refusal Request/Notice Johnson Estate**—Erviti recused himself from the discussion due to his role on the ZBA. He left the room prior to the beginning of the discussion and did not return until the discussion had been concluded. Young said that if the Town's departments are interested in acquiring the land the Board can vote to purchase the land, or if the land trust is interested and ready to go we can assign our option to them. He noted that the sale is contingent upon the buyer obtaining a permit for gravel extraction, and this has not yet happened. Assessor Keith Ross said that the Town has yet to receive proof of a bonified offer and that the seller must be notified by certified letter within thirty days of the letter that was sent by the seller that full and proper notice and proof of a bonified offer are needed. Ross said we can negotiate and put something together to either purchase or assign the option to a non-profit land trust. Young said that he gave the information he had to the Mt. Grace Land Trust. Young said at he will take care of the notifying the seller by certified letter tomorrow.

**4. Selectboard Report**—Pruyne said that he attended a meeting last week of a regionalization action committee for the school districts of Orange, Petersham, Mahar and Swift River. He said that a clause was drafted providing for the exit of a town and the acceptance of a new town. Pruyne said that it is interesting to see the process get underway. Pruyne and Erviti concurred that this is worth paying attention to as it moves forward.

**5. Coordinator Report**—Young said that he will attend the negotiation meeting tomorrow between the School Committee and the Teachers Union. He said that Police Chief Shoemaker will come before the Board, most likely in an executive session, to speak about security cameras. Young said that this will require being tied to Warwick Broadband to allow for remote data capture.

Young told the Board that Cemetery Commissioner Jim Toth has shaken up the Commission, and that George Roaf and David Shoemaker will resign and once the Town Clerk receives their written resignations the Board can appoint Brad Matthews and Tracey Kirley until the May 20, 2019 Town election. He noted that Roaf will stay on as the maintenance worker for the cemetery. Young wanted to have it on the record his thanks and gratitude to Roaf and Shoemaker for their service on the Cemetery Commission.

Erviti said that Chief Shoemaker will be giving him information gathered from other towns on Verizon's response times to incidents of downed wires. Young said that he spoke with Ellen Cummings at Verizon and was given numbers for public safety personnel to use to contact Verizon in such instances, and that we will see if this helps.

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

**7. Public Comment**— None this meeting.

Adjournment

**Pruyne MOVED to adjourn at 7: 02 p.m. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.**

Documents consulted at this meeting

\*Draft Minutes of September 17, 2018

\*Town Coordinator Report dated September 28, 2018

\*Emails between Assessors Clerk Beth Gilgun and Conservation Commission member Karro Frost dated September 27, 2018 RE: Lily Pond

\*Letter from Scott Adams, PVRSD Treasurer to Warwick Treasurer Beth Gilgun dated September 17, 2018 RE: Increase in FY 19 PVRSD Operating Budget



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UP to present*

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