

October 2017

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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Warwick Broadband Trouble	
	413-676-9544

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Barbara Edson Greenwald
Barbara Walker
Craig and Elaine Barger

TOTAL \$141.00

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RECOGNITION

Jamie Munson and Diane Miller of Horseshoe Farm on Route 78 represented Warwick at the four-day Franklin County Fair. They showed their ducks and geese and brought home 11 blue ribbons, one second place and a Best in Show Waterfowl. The big winner was a Saxony Drake named Tangelo. He made Jamie and Diane very proud. Their participation also let more people know about Warwick.

They are in the process of having a new duck breed certified. Both ducks and eggs are for sale at the farm.

—Steve Ruggerio

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.

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Congratulations to Kalliope and family on the birth of their daughter. We have missed her classes and we're happy to welcome her back to teach YOGA at the Town Hall- Wednesdays at 5:15 pm and Saturdays at 9:15 am \$5 -10 donation per class (please note: Start date for Wednesdays is October 4th and for Saturdays is October 14th)

Zumba is a Latin inspired dance fitness program that anyone can do.

My class is low to no impact and provides an excellent cardio workout. Zumba is adaptable for all ages and fitness levels.

It may take a couple of classes to learn the rhythms and some basic moves, but once you do it's JUST PLAIN FUN!

Hope you will join us Thursday's at 6:00pm at the Town Hall. Led by Susan Krieger \$5

Tuesday 6pm STRONG and Sunday 8am ZUMBA classes have moved out of Warwick to the Boiler Room in Tully. Only 10 minutes away and a great work out. Led by Christine \$5

-Leanne Limoges

WOMEN'S GUILD

The Guild will meet on Tuesday, October 3 at 1:00 pm in the Town Hall. We are pleased to once again welcome Darlene Kihart, Doctor of Physical Therapy and Director of Rehabilitation Services for Quabbin Valley Health Care. Darlene's presentation this time will be on incontinence. Our regular monthly business meeting and refreshments will follow.

-Martha Morse

WARWICK COUNCIL ON AGING

Foot Clinic Schedule for 2017

Metcalf Chapel – 8:00-8:30 AM Note: These dates are THURSDAYS

Oct 19 Nov 16 Dec 21

Laurel Fallis, who sang the National Anthem at Warwick Old Home Days, sang the Anthem at the Boston Bruins game on September 27, 2017, at the TD Garden in Boston. Her grandparents are very proud of her.

The link to a video is:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3qTiGxbFWcw>

—Stephen Ruggiero

LIBRARY

New books include: Rat Catcher's Olympics by Cotterill, Close to Home by Dugoni, Column of Fire by Follett, Crow Trap by Cleeves, Seagull by Cleeves, Growing a Revolution by Montgomery, Inheritors of the Earth by Thomas, Legacy of Spies by LeCarre, Resurrection of Joan Ashby by Wolas, Stranger in the House by LaPena, Y is for Yesterday by Grafton.

New poetry books: Nine Gates by Hirshfield, Passing Through by Kunitz, Selected Poems 1960-1990 by Kumin, Selected Poems of Ranier Maria Rilke.

The Library has many items to lend: cameras, including infra red camera, ukuleles, digital projector, kill-a-watt meter, OBD Code Reader for your car's computer codes.

Books and videos, too,

-Nancy Hickler, Director

TOWN CLERK

Halloween falls on a Tuesday this year, so please be sure to stop by the Town Clerk's office on October 31st between 12 noon and 2:30 p.m. for a treat -- there will be treats for humans and canines as well, so please feel free to also bring in your dog(s)!! In addition, there will be feline treats for you cat owners to bring home to Kitty!

For those who have turned 16 or 17 but not yet 18, be sure to pre-register to vote. You will be entered into the VRIS system as a pre-registrant and will automatically be added to the Voter List on your 18th birthday. The future is yours, and your vote will help shape that future.

-Rosa Fratangelo

BOARD OF HEALTH

The Board of Health will go to new schedule starting in October.

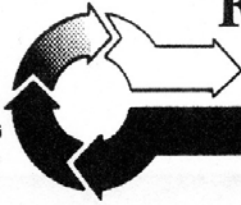
Meeting dates are as follows:

October 25	January 24
November 15	February 28
December 13	March 28

In April 2018 we will return to meetings the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month.

All meetings are in the Boards room upstairs in the town hall at 7 pm. To get on the agenda email Nancy Lyman at nancylyman12@gmail.com or Helen Whipple at hrwhip1@yahoo.com

REDUCTION
RECYCLING
COMPOSTING
DISPOSAL



Franklin County Solid Waste Management District

50 Miles Street, Greenfield, MA 01301 • (413) 772-2438 • Fax: (413) 772-3786
www.franklincountywastedistrict.org • info@franklincountywastedistrict.org

Fall "Clean Sweep" Bulky Waste Recycling Day

Franklin County Solid Waste District's "Clean Sweep" Bulky Waste Recycling Day is Saturday, October 21, from 9 a.m. to noon, at 3 locations. The three drop-off sites are: the Buckland Recreation Facility at 66 Ashfield Rd. (Rt. 112 South), the Northfield Highway Garage at 49 Caldwell Rd., and the Whately Transfer Station at 73 Christian Lane.

Residents from any District town may bring bulky items such as tires, appliances, scrap metal, furniture, mattresses, carpeting, construction debris, computers, televisions, propane gas tanks, and other large items. Materials will be recycled whenever possible; disposal fees apply for most items. Clean and dry (bagged) textiles and books accepted free for reuse or recycling.

Residents and businesses do not need to pre-register for the collection. However, there are charges for most items. Disposal fees, cash only, will be collected during check-in at each site. A complete list of prices for the most common items is online at: www.franklincountywastedistrict.org/cleansweep.html, and will be made available to participating town halls, town transfer stations, and the District office at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield.

Did you know? Staples accepts computer equipment (no TVs) free of charge: call store for details. 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.

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

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

The District is an equal opportunity provider.

 * **BARN TAG SALE** *
 * October 14 & 15, 10 --3 *
 * 737 Wendell Rd *
 * CD's, both classical and jazz *
 * Piano books, both classical and jazz. *
 * CD shelving, single bed, sofa bed, desk, office *
 * chairs *unused* microwave, swivel sweeper, *
 * dehumidifier *
 * Framed pictures of cute animals and scenery *
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AMTRAK PARKING

OLVER TRANSPORTATION CENTER, GREENFIELD

The Town of Greenfield has designated an area of the Hope Street municipal parking lot for overnight and long-term parking, with the purchase of a parking pass.

The pass may be purchased online or from the Town Treasurer/Collector's Office at the Town Hall, 1st Floor, 14 Court Square, from Monday - Friday from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm. To purchase the pass online go to www.greenfield-ma.gov/p/629/Amtrak-Parking-Passes. Once purchased, the pass must be printed out and displayed on the vehicle dashboard.

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.

THE GATHERING PLACE

There will not be a Gathering **06 October**, the Town Hall will be occupied by the Apple Pie Bake, order early if you plan to get a pie this year.

The Gathering Place menu is available on the L, Warwick Web, TCC and the Warwick L-ternative Facebook pages. Gathering will be held **Friday, 20 October** in the Town Hall Dining Room, from **10:00 AM to 1:30 PM**. Coffee for \$1.00 ready at **10:00 AM**, cup of Soup for \$3.50, ½ Sandwich for \$2.00. Have both (Cup and a half) for \$4.50 starting at **11:30 AM**. Desserts anytime. Need lunch to go, bring a container for soup and we'll pack lunch for you. Everyone is welcome. Thank you all for your ongoing support.

Tracy Gaudet, Outreach Coordinator for Orange COA and Shine Counselor, (Serving Health Insurance Needs for Everyone), will be at the Gathering on **Friday, 20 October**. Stop by and put her to work for you. Tracy can assist individuals with public benefits, fuel assistance, food stamps, Mass Health, etc. You may contact her at [978-544-3481](tel:978-544-3481) or tgaudet@townoforange.org, she will be bring application forms for various programs. Got questions, need assistance, stop in between **11:00 AM and 1:00 PM**.

-Diana Tandy

MOORE'S POND BEACH COMMITTEE

GREAT SUMMER FOR MOORE'S POND

The weekly water tests showed that our pond has been very clean all summer. Fishermen have been happy often catching 15 inch rainbow trout. The Old Home Day Corregata was a lot of fun and drew a large crowd to see the following award winners.

Here are the results of the Boat Race:

KIDS: 1st Place--Emile Marti (Hopeful)
2nd Place--Cameron Farley (The Seussical Kris-Kringle Craft)

ADULTS: 1st Place--Brad Compton (Porcupine 2.1)

2nd Place--Joe Farley (Seussical Kris-Kringle Craft)

3rd Place--Amy Podlenski (Hopeful)

First Sinker--Devon Hernandez & Jim Foster (Dragon Skeezie)

Fan Favorite--Seussical Kris-Kringle Craft

Be on the look out for a winter surprise on the pond!

R E V I E W

Wolfie's
52 South Main Street
South Deerfield, MA 01373
413-665-7068

Hours:

Monday - Wednesday: 11:00 am - 9:00 pm

Thursday - Saturday: 11:00 am - 9:30 pm

CLOSED Sundays

This is an old standby. Great place to grab a bite if you are at Yankee Candle, Sugar Loaf Mountain, Old Deerfield or just happen to be in the area. Their prices are very reasonable and friendly service.

You can get anything from a burger to a steak. And prices range \$8.95 for a burger which includes fries or a cup of soup to a \$22.95 for a 16 oz. Rib Eye Steak which includes 2 sides. They also have daily specials and just about anything I've had, it's been excellent.

Their clam chowder is thick and creamy, just the way I like it and their salads are huge. So next time you are looking for a place to dine and not too far away, try Wolfie's. Bon Appetite.

FYI: For those of you who are 'seniors' (that's 60+ years of age), the weekly movies have begun at Cinemark Theaters at the Hadley Mall. Each Thursday at 10AM, they run a current movie for \$6.50 which includes a cup of coffee and cookies donated by the Council on Ageing, and a chance to win 2 passes to another movie. So if you want to enjoy a current run movie without a lot of kids running around, join the seniors. The theater manager chooses movies he thinks the seniors will enjoy. And most of the time he is right.

-Gloria Varno

ARTS COUNCIL NEWS

27th Annual Art Show and Sale, October 6-9 at the Warwick Town Hall

Hours: Friday October 6: 7-9pm, Saturday, Sunday & Monday: 10am-3pm

The 27th Annual Warwick Arts Council Art Show and Sale is almost here! Area residents from professional, highly-trained artists to amateur, occasional dabblers, can submit up to three art pieces for display in the Warwick Town Hall during Columbus Day Weekend. The show concept is to encourage all area residents to display their creations. This includes artwork from artists of all ages, hung together in a creative potpourri. Every year there are community members that "come out of the woodwork", to display for first time. A variety of media are shown including: Paintings, Photographs, Ceramics, Collage, Quilts, Literature, Watercolors, Puppetry, Furniture, Monotypes, Jewelry, Drawings, Fiber Art, Wood Carving, Sculpture.

"Meet The Artists" Reception: Friday October 6th at 7pm. *Everybody is welcome to join in looking at the amazing art our friends & neighbors have created. There will be refreshments too!*

Details: Art arrival times: Thursday October 5th 5-7pm, Friday October 6th 1-3pm at the Town Hall. We cannot guarantee hanging space for artwork arriving after 3pm Friday. 3 pieces per artist: please make sure all pieces are ready to hang (wire, hooks). Artists that have cards, matted prints or small artworks may submit them in addition to their 3 pieces. All levels of experience accepted. Friends/family may submit for others. **Pick up time:** Monday October 9th - 3pm

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

- staffing the town hall (can you sit at the show on Sat., Sun or Monday between 10-3?)
- setting up the show (Thurs. 5-7 and Friday 1-5pm)
- providing refreshments
- breaking down the show Monday October 9th at 3pm

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

The Warwick Arts Council Presents:



The 27th Annual Art Show and Sale

**Warwick Town Hall
Saturday, Sunday & Monday
October 7 – October 9 2016
10am - 3pm all 3 days**

"Meet The Artists" Reception Friday October 6 at 7pm

Come see: Paintings, Photographs, Ceramics, Collage, Literature, Quilts, Watercolors, Puppetry, Furniture, Monotypes, Jewelry, Drawings, Fiber Art, Wood Carving, Sculpture, and more from area artists!

More Info: Warwick Arts Council on [Facebook](#), tomwyattphoto@gmail.com or 413-768-8641



WARWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL PASTA SUPPER FUNDRAISER

Saturday, October 21st

Serving 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

WCS GYM

Pasta, salad, bread and beverages. Desserts and coffee/tea to follow

--\$8.00 Adults

--\$5.00 Children (4 to 12 years old)

--Free for children 3 years old and younger

Also featuring a 50/50 raffle and a Silent Auction



SAVE THE DATE!

Trinitarian Congregational Church's Annual

HOLIDAY FAIR

Sat. November 25th 9am - 2pm

at

Warwick Town Hall

*Theme Baskets Silent Auction, Handmade Crafts,
Gifts, Hot Lunch, Bake Sale, Mission School Kit Project
There are a few Card Table size spaces left to rent for \$8.
Call Andrea at 544-6844.*



TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of WARWICK

October 2017

Dear Friends,

Father Richard Rohr, Franciscan friar and teacher asks, *“How is it that after 2,000 years...we have managed to avoid everything (Jesus) taught so unequivocally?...if Jesus talked about (an issue) once, the churches will be preoccupied with it (abortion, birth control and homosexuality are current examples) and if Jesus made an unequivocal statement...Jesus’ warning about idolizing ‘mammon’, his clear directive and example of non-violence, and his command to love our enemies...has always been too much for us... we tend to quietly shelve it and forget it.*

He goes on to say that since Christians don’t seem to take Jesus’ teachings and example seriously, there’s no reason the rest of the world should take Christians seriously. Instead, they have reason to say, *“Your Christianity is all in your head. You love to talk of new life, but the record shows you are afraid to live in a new way – a way that is responsible, caring and non-violent. Even your ‘pro-life’ movement is more ‘pro-birth’ than ‘pro-life’.”*

But there is hope. Rohr also sees new voices making themselves heard inside and outside the established churches. Women, minorities, the oppressed and marginalized voices are no longer silent. These are the very ones Jesus sought out and preached his Gospel to. *“They represent,”* says Rohr, *“the people who first heard the Gospel and allowed it to radically change their lives.”*

“Allowed it to radically change their lives” There’s the rub. Christian theology and hierarchy, since the Roman Emperor Constantine accepted Christianity in the fourth century CE, has been dominated by old, white men of European background. Why would anyone with close ties to the seats of power want to change that relationship for something resembling what Jesus taught and lived? Best to silence the voices of systemic change.

Well, isn’t that how we all tend to deal with challenges to our personal views of life; turn up the volume of those supporting us and drown out the dissent? I too often do, and I know I’m not alone. If the election of Donald Trump did nothing else, it blew the top off public speech and opened up a cacophony of voices previously subdued under the lid of Political Correctness. I believe PC speech has been a bandage covering a festering wound of racism, sexism and many other ‘isms that are so hard to talk about that we just lock them away in a dark space. But when they finally burst out, they are even more virulent than when we shut them away. Like hurricanes that gain intensity by moving over heated oceans, polarization intensifies by feeding on over-heated rhetoric.

Why is it so hard to talk about issues without demonizing those who disagree with us? Is there a way of talking *with* each other rather than *at* each other? Is it possible to hold a dialog instead of a debate? Is there a “common good” that unites us, or must we always have “winners” and “losers”?

There is a group of people meeting in town to try to learn how to hold a dialog. It sounds boringly easy, but it isn’t. It includes listening without immediate judgement and formulation of a “rebuttal”. A link to a TED Talk, between two friends of very different political perspectives, was recently circulated among the group that expressed the idea this way, *“When we engage in dialog, we replace our ego and our desire to win with curiosity, empathy and a desire to learn. Instead of coming from a place of judgement, we are genuinely interested in the other person’s experience, their values and concerns.”* The group plans to meet next on **WED, OCT 11 at 6 PM**. Anyone interested in getting beyond diatribe and division and working toward a more healing way of conversation is enthusiastically encouraged to come learn/teach/share in our growth. If you would like to know more, call me at home (4-2663) or at the Chapel (4-2630)

In hopeful faith, *Dan*

MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS

HURRICANE RELIEF -Donations for hurricane relief to be directed through Church World Service (CWS) totaled \$1,082 and the Mission Committee added \$200 for a total of **\$1,282**. Thanks to the many VERY generous donors. As the rebuilding and restoration work continues, CWS will continue to be involved at the local level with long-term support. Their work is funded in large part through area **CROP WALKS**. The Franklin County walk will take place in Greenfield on **Sunday, Oct 15**. A team of walkers from the church is currently collecting sponsors.

SCHOOL KITS-Thanks to the generous donations raised at the Old Home Days Mission Table, we were able to fill 14 school bags that will be sent to CWS to distribute around the world to children in areas of poverty and disaster. We will be collecting for more school kits at the upcoming Holiday Fair in Nov.

UP COMING EVENTS

IT'S APPLE PIE TIME AGAIN -The TCCW apple pie bake and sale is coming *the first week in Oct*. You can pre-order (your best option for getting a pie, as they go quickly) by emailing Helen Whipple at hrwhipl1@yahoo.com. And we would not want to exclude any of you from the fun of peeling, slicing, rolling out the dough and filling the pie shells; this is open to any who wish to come. The peeling and slicing will happen in the evenings of Tuesday and Wed (Oct 3 &4) and the rolling and filling happens in the mornings of Wed & Thurs (Oct 4&5). All pies will be gone by Friday, Oct 6.

Pies will be available for pick-up on **Thursday October 5th from noon till 5 o'clock** and **Friday morning from 9 till noon**. We need ALL pies picked up by noon on Friday. Please call Liz (544-6838) if you need a special arrangement. Thanks to all for supporting this fundraiser for the Warwick church.

2ND AFTER WORSHIP DISCUSSION of the EVALUATION SURVEY will be held on Sunday, Oct 1. This is a part of the ongoing process of developing a vision of who we are and what we are called to become in the future here in Warwick and the surrounding community. We will be developing a survey of the larger community's view of the church and what we could be doing and supporting in town in years to come.

CROP WALK! SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15 . Crop Walk will be held in Greenfield starting at the 2nd Congregational Church (on the Common). Would you like to walk to raise money for Hunger? Join us! You can call the Chapel (544-2630) to get a sponsor form or go online to www.crophungerwalk.org and set yourself up there under the Franklin County Walk to receive sponsors. There are several members from the Chapel who will be walking, if you call the Chapel we can hook you up with someone to sponsor!

Where do CROP Hunger Walk funds go?

CROP Hunger Walks help to support the overall work of Church World Service, particularly grassroots development efforts around the world. In addition, each local CROP Hunger Walk can choose to return up to 25 percent of the funds it raises to hunger-fighting programs in its own community.

CROP Hunger Walks help to provide food and water, as well as resources that empower people to meet their own needs. From seeds and tools to wells and water systems, the key is people working together to identify their own development priorities, their strengths and their needs - something CWS has learned through 70 years of working in partnership around the world.

ON-GOING ACTIVITIES AT THE METCALF CHAPEL

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

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

WARWICK BROADBAND

This missive is about Warwick Broadband Service (WBS) and provides our contact information, self-help advice, an interim report on our upgrade that is in progress, and information about our service's financial condition.

Self-Help

As far as self-help goes, if you are able, do what we will do first which is to power cycle / reboot your home gateway / router plus make sure it and other components such as your radio are plugged in to a working outlet. That is the fix half the time. Once that home router restart is done, restart your device, computer, etc. and give your connection a try. If it fails, call 413.676.9544.

Service/Repair

First thing to know is that for service or repair, call 413.676.9544 and be sure to leave a message if nobody picks up the call. That is usually the case. Your message will be forwarded to our team and this call will get your service or repair order in motion.

Don't be shy about reporting in. Don't wait until Friday at 4 pm. We are running monitoring of uptime on connections but your actual experience is what counts. Phone it in sooner than later and we can get your need scheduled and in motion.

Infrastructure

Recently we installed tall masts in sites around town in the road right of way. These are not for VT Yankee sirens, not for cellular phones, nor public WiFi. They could be in the future, but the town installed them to provision wireless broadband extensions to our customers. They are a mid-point between the customer and one of the two high towers. While they could be a help with future cellular they are to help us provide more connectivity in locations where our signal is weak from the high towers. We relay or repeat the signal. All the twelve masts are installed. Half the masts have their meter socket installed and three are ready to be connected to the power grid which is on order.

At the same time we are getting ready to run trials during October of two LTE (Long Term Evolution) fixed radio solutions which means we are going to deploy with the same wireless protocol standard as the fastest available cellular data connections use. We will be using the frequency we now use for the WiMax installations but use the same magic the cell carriers use. Ours doesn't cost millions because we are a fixed rather than mobile provider which means we don't have to hit a moving target.

Our goals are to deliver at least 25 Mbps down and 3 Mbps uploads (In contrast, our legacy system promised speeds up to 1 Mbps); be a cost only to fee paying subscribers and not to taxpayers; and to serve everybody in town that wants service. As far as installation cost to our subscribers goes, there is not any longer an installation charge, only the recurring \$50 monthly fee for service. And FYI, there is a \$30 lower speed tier available.

What is the timeline? By the terms of the grant, we are completed by the end of 2018. By the new year, when we have the twelve masts lighted up and their neighbors connected, and the one of eight LTE nodes deployed, we will be, based on all the upgrade work completed already, very near the half way point of this reconstruction.

Finances

We are doing alright financially. In the fiscal year that ended June 30, 2017 WBS had sales of \$93,477 and expenses of \$70,990 resulting in a profit of \$22,487 for the year. Our upgrade / rebuild work in the same time frame had expenses of about \$156,000 against the \$450,000 MBI grant from whom we received the first of the \$150,000 progress payments.

In FY18, the current fiscal year which began July 1, 2017, as of 10 September, WBS has received fee income totaling \$16,286 and met expenses of \$12,148. Net operating profit is \$4,138 YTD. Our capital outlay has an unspent grant balance of \$245,463 (out of a \$450,000 grant). The next progress payment of \$150,000 from MBI is available when we hit the 50% mark on the upgrade which is defined by installations and coverage and not expenditures.

We anticipate that space on the Mt Grace tower will be costly and so we are concentrating first on the upgrade on the Orange Road Cell Tower. That site is fiber fed, we have purchased and configured all of the tower equipment for the new 900 system on both towers; purchased and configured all the new 2.4 GHz for the poles / masts, town hall, pine trees; purchased and configured most of the 5 GHz tower equipment. We have purchased one of eight LTE eNb Access points. We have built and deployed one of three servers and purchased the other two. We have paid for the masts and not their installation as Westfield G&E are not finished with pole dressing.

We are trying out some subscriber radios that are both WiMAX and LTE which will ease that conversion because they work with the old system and with the new. If you are a current customer served by WiMax and you neighbor is getting better speeds on the new 900 system, don't despair. We visited a deployment of the LTE gear we are going to use. The drive test was located in a much wooded site in PA and we saw speeds far in excess of our goals. The last will be first. Eventually. Sorry this is taking longer than we planned or hoped. The good news that it is working and we are coming in under budget.

—David Young for the Selectboard and Broadband Committee

SELECTBOARD MINUTES (ABRIDGED FOR PRINTED NEWSLETTER)

Electronic subscribers of the newsletter will receive full Minutes.

Town of Warwick

Selectboard

August 14, 2017

Minutes

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo, Treasurer Beth Gilgun, Highway Superintendent Larry Delaney, Finance Committee member Steve Ruggiero, Fire Chief Ron gates, Police Chief Davis Shoemaker, Gary and Patricia Bellemare, Jared Robinson (*Athol Daily News*)

Erviti MOVED to approve the minutes of July 31, 2017 as printed. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Magi MOVED to appoint the slate of Election Workers. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Magi MOVED to appoint Steve Ruggiero our Veterans Advisory Board Representative. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Magi MOVED to make Jim Erviti the official Selectboard representative for the Old Home Days dunk tank. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

At 7:22 p.m., Magi MOVED to adjourn. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Town of Warwick

Selectboard

August 28, 2017

Minutes

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti

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

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<p>1 Worship Service 9:30 AM</p> <p>Zumba 8-9am Boiler Room</p>	<p>2 Library Open 10-4</p>	<p>3 Sr. Meal Site 11:45 Town Hall</p> <p>Womens' Guild - 1 pm Town Hall</p> <p>Strong at 6-7 Boiler Room</p>	<p>4 Yoga 5:15pm Town Hall</p>	<p>5 Library Open 5-6 pm</p> <p>Zumba 6-7pm Town Hall</p> <p>Pies available for pickup at the Town Hall 12:00-5:00PM</p>	<p>6 Pies available for pickup at the Town Hall 9:00am-Noon</p> <p>Meet The Artists 7pm – Town Hall</p>	<p>7 Transfer Station 8-3 Library 10-12:30</p> <p>No Yoga</p> <p>Art Show 10-3 Town Hall</p>
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Friday, October 6, 9:00AM to Noon --Town Hall

Meet the Artists--Friday, October 6, 7PM--Town Hall

Art Show--Saturday through Monday--October 7 to 9, 10am - 3 PM--Town Hall

Spaghetti Supper--Saturday, October 21, 5:00-6:30PM--Warwick Community School

Halloween Treats--Tuesday, October 31, 12:00 to 2:30PM--Town Clerk's Office

**Town of Warwick
Selectboard
August 14, 2017
Minutes**

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary and Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo, Treasurer Beth Gilgun, Highway Superintendent Larry Delaney, Finance Committee member Steve Ruggiero, Fire Chief Ron gates, Police Chief Davis Shoemaker, Gary and Patricia Bellemare, Jared Robinson (*Athol Daily News*)

I. Call to Order

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

II. Minutes

Erviti MOVED to approve the minutes of July 31, 2017 as printed. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

III. Presentations and Discussions

- 1. Appointments**—Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo had submitted a list of Election Workers who needed to be appointed by the Selectboard for a one-year term from September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018. This slate of appointments must be done annually by the Selectboard at the request of the Town Clerk.

Magi MOVED to appoint the slate of Election Workers. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

The complete list of appointees appears at the conclusion of these minutes.

Young said that a representative to the Veterans Advisory Board needed to be appointed. Magi said that the appointee should preferably be a veteran. Steve Ruggiero, an Army veteran, volunteered to be appointed.

Magi MOVED to appoint Steve Ruggiero our Veterans Advisory Board Representative. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Young noted that the Franklin County Planning Board has a representative from each Town's Planning Board and Selectboard. Both Erviti and Pruyne said that they wanted to attend a meeting before committing to being the designated Selectboard representative.

- 2. Fall Special Town Meeting** —Young said that without a Special Town Meeting vote to reduce the Fire Department appropriation to the actual amount spent, the full \$75,000.00 voted at the May 1, 2017 Annual Town Meeting would have to be part of the FY 18 tax rate. He mentioned that a local ordinance could be adopted to prohibit the feeding of Canada geese.

Fire Chief Ron Gates gave a brief update on the new brush/rescue vehicle. He said that the new tires cost about \$2,000.00 and \$1,000.00 for lettering, and estimated that \$7,600.00 above the \$35,000.00 purchase price has been spent so far. Young said that the actual appropriation amount to be reduced could be determined prior to the STM.

Magi said that it would be a good thing to have a local ordinance not to feed the Canada geese. Resident Gary Bellemare said that he has put up an electric fence to keep the geese off of his property and that fences are being put up by many of his neighbors. He noted that the geese are being fed right next to the Moore's Pond Beach and that feeding makes everything worse. Ruggiero said that there might be an Environmental Police or Mass. Wildlife law. Young said that a local ordinance would allow for non-criminal citations could be issued if a by-law is in place. Police Chief Shoemaker said that Shutesbury has a similar issue; Bellemare said Athol and Gardner have as well. Young said that those municipalities should be contacted to obtain examples of best practices.

Young brought up the possibility of an appropriation for clean-up of tires and trash on the Wendell Road McKnight property. He said that the FRCOG Planning Department gave a non-invasive report and that the next step would be an onsite to assess the ground water and land for potential pollution. Young pointed out that grant funds could be sought, but our chances for a successful grant application would be greater if we had already done some of the clean-up. Young said that the dumping needed to be stopped and clean-up done. Gilgun said that over \$39,000.00 is owed on the real estate taxes as well as \$24,000.00 in interest. Young noted that if the Town votes funds for clean-up it cannot be guaranteed that those funds would be recoverable. Erviti suggested that the voters could approve the use of some of the money from the original Fire Department appropriation if the STM first votes to reduce that amount.

- 3. Concept of Outsourcing** —Erviti said that he had sent an Email to Bay State Municipal Accounting Group asking for an estimate of the cost of outsourcing accounting for Warwick. He noted that Colrain uses this group so he also Emailed Kevin Fox to inquire about Colrain's experiences with them. Young said that he had sent the Accountant an Email today informing her that the Board was looking into outsourcing our general accounting. He noted that MGL Chapter 30B needs to be checked to determine if a bidding process would be required if outsourcing is to be done.

Highway Superintendent Larry Delaney was present to discuss Finance Committee member Steve Ruggiero's random sampling of Highway logs and subsequent recommendation to consider hiring private contractors for some of the Highway work. Delaney said that comp. time is used almost exclusively from snow plowing and that his crew work for every penny of that comp. time. Ruggiero said that with outsourcing there would be no comp. time or vacation pay and could result in more work at less cost and give the Highway crew more time for certain projects. Delaney said that the private contractors used now for snow plowing charge \$60.00 per hour for a one-ton truck and pay for their own fuel. He estimated that larger trucks would cost well over \$100.00 per hour.

Ruggiero said that the cost of wear and tear on machinery, fuel, benefits, and comp. time could be reduced by outsourcing, but that figures and information must be gathered and the process of determining how to move forward would be a long process with no quick decisions.

Delaney stated that the Highway Department makes no profit, while private contractors are out to make a profit. Young said that it makes sense to at least look at the possibility of outsourcing. Erviti pointed out that comparisons need to be made between what it costs the Town and what other companies would charge for the exact same work. Ruggiero said again that he would get the figures together for the Board's review at a future meeting. Erviti said that he thought it was well worth looking at ore closely. Ruggiero pointed out that the motivation to make a profit drives private contractors to work harder and faster to maximize profits.

Delaney explained that there are different rates for aspects of a project depending upon the location and specific situation. Young suggested that Delaney provide more detail in his Highway logs about the work done by the Highway crew. He also said that there was great benefit to Warwick Broadband to be able to use our Highway workforce ad that money was saved by using our own Highway crew at their rate.

4. **Treasurer** —Treasurer Beth Gilgun came before the Board to ask for approval to borrow \$150,000.00 for Warwick Broadband (WBS). The May 2, 2016 Annual Town Meeting had approved borrowing \$240,000.00 for WBS but until now there had been no need for it. She explained that a cash shortfall has occurred due to one quarter of the Town's annual spending being on the current warrant, and that WBS will need to spend \$150,000.00 before more grant funds come through. Gilgun said that the loan will be for six months at 1.26% interest from Easthampton Savings Bank. Erviti said that this was a simple cash flow issue. Gilgun asked the signatures of all three Board members on the necessary documents; each Board member signed after this motion:

Erviti MOVED to approve \$150,000.00 of short-term borrowing to help with our cash flow. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

5. **Old Home Days** —Young said that the Police Chief will take care of closing Athol Road on Saturday, August 26th. He noted that he will be unable to be dunked this year in the Recreation Committee's dunk tank and hoped that someone from the Board would agree to take his place.

Magi MOVED to make Jim Erviti the official Selectboard representative for the Old Home Days dunk tank. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

6. **Selectboard Reports**—Pruyne said that he spoke with a couple of people who told him that the reason the new refrigerator is so loud is because it is one and a half inches off plumb. He asked if it could be fixed to reduce the sound. Young said that he will try a plum bob to check on this.
7. **Coordinator Report**—Young announced the Selectboard will meet on Wednesday, August 16th at 12:30 p.m. at Town Hall to sign the Community Compact Grant in the presence of Lieutenant Governor Karyn Polito.
Young also said that he will be attending a district-wide listening session in Athol on August 15th with Congressman James McGovern.
8. **Public Comment**—None.
9. **New and Other Business Unanticipated at Time of Meeting Posting**—None.

IV. Adjournment

At 7:22 p.m., Magi MOVED to adjourn. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Documents consulted at this meeting:

- *Draft Minutes of July 31, 2017 Selectboard meeting
- *Coordinator Report dated August 10, 2017
- *Email from Kelly Brissette to Warwick Town Coordinator dated July 27, 2017 Re: Municipal Listening Session with Congressman Jim McGovern
- *Review of random Highway Reports done by Steve Ruggiero

I respectfully request that the Selectboard appoint the following people as Election Workers for a term beginning September 1, 2017 and ending August 31, 2018:

George Day
Calvin Fellows
Bruce Kilhart
Beth Gilgun
Pat Vandenberg
Clare Green
Dan Dibble
Jaylin Dibble

Fredericka Fellows
Ann Kendell
Arthur Long
Judy Johnson
Sheryl Fontaine
Carol Foote
Barbara Walker
Nancy Kilhart
Diana Tandy
Andrea Woods
Jessica Foote
Regina Curtis
Susan Wright
Karro Frost
Christine Duerring
Helen Whipple
Rod Whipple
Martha Morse
Tracey Weed
Rita McConville
Maria Ruggiero

Thank you,

Rosa Fratangelo
Warwick Town Clerk

**Town of Warwick
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- 1. MGL Chapter 268 Section 20 D Exemptions**—Young advised the Board that the position of Representative to the Veteran’s Advisory Board had yet to be designated as Special Municipal Employee, and that Steve Ruggiero would need a Chapter 268 Section 20 D exemption to be able to serve as the Representative to the Veteran’s Advisory Board and as a member of the Finance Committee.

Magi MOVED to designate the position of Representative to the Veteran’s Advisory Board as Special Municipal Employee. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Magi MOVED to grant Stephen Ruggiero a MGL Chapter 268 Section 20D exemption to serve as a Finance Committee member and Representative to the Veteran’s Advisory Board. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

- 2. Outsourcing** —The topic began with a brief review of procurement standards and the State procurement law. Young said that he had not looked much beyond the Town Accountant position, and that while some professional services are not subject to bidding, outsourcing our

accounting to a firm would be subject to procurement regulations. Erviti said that we must identify three reputable firms and ask them to submit quotes. It was pointed out that we are required to accept the lowest qualified quote.

Erviti said that Charlemont and Colrain use Bay State Municipal Accounting Group and Colrain is currently under a three-year contract with BMAG. Erviti said that perhaps some funds from the Community Compact grant could be used for new software associated with outsourcing the accounting. Young and Erviti cited potential cost savings to the Town, an increase in hours of coverage, and potentially a greater level of expertise and experience as reasons to pursue a change. Young suggested having the current Accountant come before the Board to discuss the matter before any decision is made. Erviti said he will attempt to identify two more reputable, well-known firms.

- 3. Mukesh Patel** —Young said that Mukesh Patel had contacted him with an inquiry into whether the Town might be open to a marijuana grow and/or a dispensary. He noted that Patel was scheduled to appear before the Board seeking a letter affirming the Town's openness to a commercial marijuana farm/grow. Mr. Patel did not show, and Young told the Board of an upcoming FRCOG training session regarding this type of issue. Magi said that she was not opposed to a grow but was seriously against a dispensary. She and Erviti both wanted more information on the subject. There was a consensus of the Board that attending this training should precede any discussion with Mr. Patel.

- 4. Falling Dock on Town-owned Land on Moore's Pond** —Young said that an abutter to a dock on Moore's Pond had contacted him about a failing dock. He said he referred the matter to the Building Inspector, who came back and said it was not within his purview. Young explained that the dock once belonged to someone on Pine Street but now the land belongs to the Town. He said that the dock is listing towards the abutter's property and needs to either be repaired or removed; he recommended removal. Young said that a filing would have to be made with the Conservation Commission for work within 100 feet of the pond. Magi said that the options should be made known to the area residents and they should be given the opportunity to provide feedback before a final decision is made. Erviti said that the dock must be marked as unsafe, even with just a sign such as "broken dock" and a couple of cones from the Highway Department to warn the public and relieve the Town of any liability.

Erviti MOVED that some type of signage and/or restraint be implemented to keep people off the dock. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Young cautioned the Board about losing sight of the long-term solution in favor of short-term risk mitigation.

Finance Committee member Steve Ruggiero suggested offering the property to the abutters to see if anyone wants to purchase the 30-foot piece of land. Young noted that the land is subject to deed restrictions.

Magi MOVED to approach abutters about purchasing the land in question. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

- 5. Solid Waste MOU's** —Young said that there were two MOU's (Memorandum of Understanding) from the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District: \$150.00 for mandatory third-party inspections of the Transfer Station and \$500.00 for Household Hazardous Waste Day.

Magi MOVED to approve and sign the two Franklin County Solid Waste Management District MOU's. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

- 6. Selectboard Reports** —Magi said that some Moore's Pond area residents have been complaining about the speed of traffic around the pond and want speed bumps installed. She was concerned that that would be a problem on a main road and instead favored increased police patrols. Young suggested that residents take note of the time they see any speeding vehicle, along with the type, color, and the license plate if possible. Pruyne said that Old Home Days was a pleasure to attend for everybody. Erviti said that he will be unavailable from October 11th through November 1st.
- 7. Coordinator Report**—Young said that he received a letter from the Athol Board of Health and a copy of that town's by-laws regarding feeding or baiting of waterfowl. He noted that the letter mentioned the Athol Board of Health's ability to obtain a permit from Mass. Fisheries and Wildlife to addle Canada goose eggs.
- 8. Public Comment**—None.
- 9. New and Other Business Unanticipated at Time of Meeting Posting**—Erviti commented that we need to revisit the issue of salt use on our roads. There was a consensus of the Board to put this on the agenda for the next meeting.

IV. Adjournment

At 7:00 p.m., Magi MOVED to adjourn. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Documents consulted at this meeting:

- *Draft Minutes of August 14, 2017 Selectboard meeting
- *MOU's from FCSWMD Re: 3rd party Transfer Station Inspections (\$150.00) and Household Hazardous Waste Day (\$500.00)
- *Letter from Athol Board of Health to Warwick Selectboard and Athol Town By-Laws Re: Feeding or Baiting of Waterfowl
- *FRCOG forms for Appointment of Representative to FRCOG Council, Alternate Representative to FRCOG Council, and Appointment of FY 18 Representatives to the Regional Emergency Planning Committee
- *Letter from Sean Cronin of DCR to David Young dated August 25, 2017 Re: Community Compact

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*Town of Warwick FY 2018 General Fund Expenditure Report as of 8/25/2017

*Town of Warwick FY 2018 Other Funds Expense Report as of 8/25/2017