

# Warwick Community Newsletter

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Animal Control	3402
Animal Contr.Pager	217-2681
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**Total: \$206**

**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.

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 7:30 ish 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

### LETTER OF THANKS

A BIG thank you to everyone who contributed to the 17th year of the Ned Green Scholarship Fund. A \$1,000.00 scholarship will be awarded to a deserving PVRSD graduating senior. A handful of folk hiked to the summit of Mt. Grace on Sunday, due to Saturday's rain. The hike through the woods was resplendent with various tones of green, bird calls and chatting friends. A skyward glance bestowed the beauty of a rainbow halo around the sun piercing through the clouds. The slight breeze kept the black flies at bay and offered a comfortable temperature for trekking. Thank you one and all for supporting the scholarship efforts. Appreciatively from Clare Green

**C O N G R A T U L A T I O N S !**

Nathan Joseph Sarkar, will graduate from Cornell University on May 27. He is graduating Magna Cum Laude with a major in Biological Sciences. He hopes to continue studies in medicine. He is grandson of Beverly and David Shepardson.

Corey Jack graduates this month from Athol High School. His mother is Nicole Jack and his grandfather is Arthur Shepardson.

**F R O M T H E L I B R A R Y  
T R U S T E E S**

The Board of Trustees of the Warwick Free Public Library are very happy to announce the hire of our new Director, starting in the Fall, **Ivan Ussach**. We will miss **Nancy Hickler**. She has been an unwavering, talented, and exceptional director since 1984. Nancy has had one of the longest running Director careers in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts! We wish her the very best for her retirement and if we filled this whole newsletter with our appreciation, it wouldn't be enough. Please stay tuned in the next newsletter for an invitation to give your regards to Nancy.

A brief introduction from Ivan:

"Hello Warwick! My name is Ivan Ussach and it is my good fortune to have been chosen as the new Librarian, starting in September. I've always loved and admired libraries as essential community spaces providing resources and universal access to information. I'm very excited to work with everyone to ensure that the Library continues to serve and empower the community and its members.

About me: I'm originally from New York City, and have lived in western Mass for 15 years with my wife Kathy, a professional weaver. For most of that time I've directed the Millers River Watershed Council. Along the way I've served as a trustee of the Petersham Memorial Library, worked as an environmental coach in the Warwick Community School and chaired the Gill Historical Commission. I love music: you might see (or hear!) me banging the drums at Town Hall at some point.

Looking forward to seeing you! Ivan"

From the Board of Trustees: Clare Green, Chair, Fredericka Fellows, Lisa VanderStelt, Gregg Stone, Elaine Reardon, and Andrea Woods

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

The Gathering has returned to Warwick Town Hall as a monthly event. The next Gathering will be Friday, 01 June, 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM. There will be soup, quiche, sandwiches and a variety of desserts. Looking forward to seeing previous attendees and hopefully some new faces as well. 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.

The Gathering in July will be held 06 July.

All are welcome. -Diana Tandy

**M O O R E ' S P O N D N E W S**

The beach will be open from Memorial Day to Labor Day from dawn to dusk! Come and swim at your own risk as there is no lifeguard on duty. The water is tested weekly for your safety. It is a beautiful spot for summer enjoyment. There are no smoking, alcohol or fires allowed, but 2 picnic tables are available for use. Please remember if you carry it in, you must carry it out. There is no trash pick-up and no refuse containers.

Fishing has been tremendous with many catching large trout. The pond was stocked on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

The pond also had a visitor for 2 days: a swan. Merganser ducks were spotted this spring. Beautiful to watch. Also osprey have been trying their luck at fishing and often there have been eagle sightings.

Our big event will again be the Corregatta (cardboard boat race) on Sunday of Old Home Day weekend at 2:00PM. Many come to watch which is great, but we need more people to bring down their cardboard boats to race. It is fun to make a boat with friends and a blast to race. We encourage kids to participate. We encourage organizations to make a boat and enter also! How about challenges from the Women's Guild, the Historical Society, town officers, the firemen, the church, your neighborhood, your family (cousins vs cousins)? Your imagination is your only limitation. This event is not just for Warwickians but anyone with a creative, fun-loving spirit. Totally FREE fun for all! Please consider making a boat. There will be a kid's race followed by an adult race. Prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, Fan Favorite and Sinker award. The Rules and registration forms will be available at a later date. Watch for further info in future newsletters. - Diane Ellis

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The following is a second installment of **"Voices from the Past"**

Do you remember the Warwick Teen Age Club of the fifties? Dances—waltz, foxtrot, polka, circle and square dances happened every Friday night with as many as 30-40 teens in attendance the Town Hall. Fred Harris, of Pullen Manor fame, was the advisor. He also advised the 4-H Poultry and Woodworking Units—a very busy man! Besides dances, the club took a trip to Mt Washington and rode the Cog Railway to the top. Edna May Belsky's bus was used. She drove the bus to Orange High School and New Salem Academy. Another trip was to the Colonial Theater in Boston to see the musical Oklahoma—the cost was \$1.20 a ticket! We almost missed the show when the theater had reservations about allowing 30 teenagers from the boonies into the show. Fast talking by Fred Harris and the advisors got us in. We left with accolades from the theater management.

The club presented "Teen-Age Impressions of 1953" at Fellows Memorial Field. Some of those performing in song and dance included Martha, Walter and Albert Hubbard; Bernard McTernan; Janet Shaw; Joyce Stoddard; Lucy Bezio; Alice, Fredericka and William Harris; David, Arthur and Beverly Shepardson; Evelyn Joslin; Nan Herk; Eleanor Moon; Rosemary Lincoln; Michael Sloan; Rose and Carol Parenchuck and Edward Smith. The stage was a flatbed truck with lights from several autos run up on blocks. The show was such a success that two more performances were put on in neighboring towns. To see the printed program, stop in at the Historical Building between 2-4 on Sundays this summer. The club also put on a New England Boiled Dinner at Town Hall to fund the sound system for dances. The sound system was made available for use by other town organizations. The tradition continues with support and music at our Town Hall today.

Anyone with other information about the club should drop a note to Freddie Fellows or myself. The information will be added to that at the Historical Society.

-David Shepardson

*In an attempt to elicit and invite new membership, the Warwick Historical Society (WHS) is embarking upon this monthly column. We hope that Warwick folks, young or old, newbies or old-timeys, will consider joining the Society. We meet quarterly and the yearly dues are \$10.00. The Society Building is open Sundays during the summer months from 2-4 PM or by appointment. We are planning to do a Cemetery Tour 3:00-4:00 PM on August 25, 2018 during Old Home Days. If you have a particular request of a person/gravesite for that tour, please mention it to a member of the Society.*

## REVIEW

The Gathering  
Warwick Town Hall  
FIRST Friday of the month

Diana Tandy has started The Gathering again at the town hall on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month. It begins at 10 AM with Coffee and Pastries/ Desserts, followed by lunch from 11:30 AM to 1 PM.

Her menu varies month to month with usually a quiche, sandwich and/or soup to pick from. She makes delicious soups and quiche and her pastries and desserts are to die for. If you haven't been, I highly recommend you try it.

Not only will you enjoy morning coffee or a delicious lunch, you will get to enjoy 'community spirit' by meeting your neighbors and solving the world's issues!! If you want to take lunch home, just bring a container and she will pack it up for you. Prices range \$3 to \$5 for entrees and \$1 to \$3 for desserts.

Bon Appetite -Gloria Varno

## GUILD

The Women's Guild will meet at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, **June 5** in the basement of the Town Hall. Amber Holloway will present an Introduction to Young Living essential oils and toxin free living. Following the program, the Guild will meet for its monthly business meeting and refreshments. Everyone welcome!

- Martha Morse

## RECREATION COMMITTEE

**YOGA** Saturday 9:15-10:30 am At Warwick town hall \$5

An all level Hatha Yoga class to meet students needs, with an emphasis on proper alignment, Pranayama - breathing technique, deep relaxation and meditation. A dynamic, yet harmonious approach to cultivate strength, physical awareness and inner balance. Led by Kalliope Kalombratsos

**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 **Thursdays 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

**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](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.

-Leanne Limoges

## LIBRARY

Time for Summer Reading! This year's theme is Libraries Rock! Sponsored by the Massachusetts Library System and used nationwide. Sign up begins June 25 and runs through August 2.

On Thursday, **June 7** at 7:00 PM Allen Young will be reading from his new publication *Left, Gay and Green*. Join us for this event - light refreshments will be served and books will be available for purchase.

The last open Saturday until after Labor Day will be June 23 - last chance for cookies.

If you are looking for a book that is not available on CWMars don't forget to try ComCat. This gives you access to the rest of Massachusetts card catalogs. On the CWMars first page, on the left hand side is a picture of a cat, click on this site, choose Warwick Library and type in card number and pin - type the title or author you are looking for at the top of the screen. Then follow the directions to have it delivered to Warwick. Call if you have any questions.

As of June 30 CWMars will no longer provide e-books through Axis 360. Overdrive will now be the main provider of electronic material.

New Books: *After Anna* by Scottoline, *Circe* by Miller, *Disappeared* by Box, *Fallen* by Baldacci, *Love and Ruin* by McLain, *Then She Was Gone* by Jewell, *In The Midst of Winter* by Allende.

New DVDs: *Star Wars: The Last Jedi*, *Prime Suspect*.

New Books on CD: *The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry*, *The Music Shop*.

-Nancy Hickler

## THE GREEN CORNER

On a recent sunny Saturday, Pat Larson and Janice Kurkoski traveled to Sterling Mass to attend a tour, organized by the Mass Climate Action Network (MCAN), of the grid-tied battery storage project at the Sterling Municipal Light Department's substation. Installed in 2016, it is the first utility-scale battery storage project in New England. The \$2.5 million project was built with a \$1.46 million grant from the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources and a \$250,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Energy.

The project is estimated to pay for itself in 2 years, (or in 6 years if no grants were included).

In addition to its backup function for the local police station, Sterling Municipal uses the batteries to shave peak load and reduce the amount of expensive power it has to buy from the ISO New England during times of high demand. Last year alone, the project saved the utility \$400,000. The utility can then pass these savings onto their customers in the form lower rates, which hover around 30% lower than what neighboring National Grid customers pay.

Even more exciting is the fact that the battery storage is coupled with a large Sterling Municipal-owned solar project just up the road, which allows them to charge the batteries during the day with power from their solar panels, then return the power from the batteries to their grid into the evening after the sun fades. Across the street from the substation, another large roof-top PV array is about to go on line. The latter is a Power Purchase Agreement with Origis Energy USA, and is dubbed the "Sterling Community Solar & Energy Storage" project.

"We have tremendous support from our community to implement progressive clean energy initiatives," said Sean Hamilton, Manager, Sterling Municipal Light Department. "The Sterling Community Solar + Energy Storage project allows us to take another step forward, opening up access to solar energy to a broad spectrum of our customers, including those for which installing an independent solar power system is challenging. The technology also supports our goals to provide competitive electricity rates while further enhancing the resiliency, grid stability and environmental standards we have come to embrace here in Sterling."

In all, about 35% of Sterling Municipal's power is generated from renewable resources that the utility buys under contract, says Hamilton. That includes three solar contracts (including the new one with Origis), three wind contracts, and six contracts with small hydropower plants.

Conclusion: 100% Renewables on the grid is only possible if hundreds more localized projects like this come on-line. Kudos to Sterling Municipal Light Department and Sean Hamilton for having the foresight to make this work. Lets wake up National Grid, Eversource, and our neighbors to this reality - it's no longer just a pipe dream! - Janice Kurkoski

From the Archives:

I recently came upon a 1984 issue of the Warwick Community Newsletter edited by Judy Styles (thanks to my scrapbooking Gram). Judy had such a wonderful, fun spirit and she included cute (and sometimes sage) clips into the Newsletter. I thought I would include one from Volume 65, March 1, 1984:

*The teacher asked the little boy in kindergarten, "Why do you sit in the corner scratching yourself? He said, "I'm the only one who knows where I itch!"*

Happy Black Fly Season.....Andrea



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

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

June 8	July 13	August 10
Sept 14	Oct 12	Nov 9
and Dec. 14 <sup>th</sup>		

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Warwick Historical Society will meet at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, **June 20** in the dining room of the Town Hall. Come join us as we make plans for the opening of the Museum for summer hours and nominate officers for the next two year term. Light refreshments will be served.

- Martha Morse



# JUNE NEWS & TIDINGS

## WARWICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Elizabeth Musgrave, Principal

### ALL-SCHOOL SPRING CONCERT & 6th GRADE GRADUA-

**TION!** Please join us in the WCS Gymnasium at 6pm on June 20th to celebrate our eight sixth grade graduates and enjoy the wonderful performance by all our talented students, who have been practicing their songs for weeks!



**SPRING BAND CONCERT!** This year's PVRSD Elementary Band Concert will be held on June 5th at 7:00 in Pioneer's auditorium. Our musicians have been working hard on some challenging repertoire. We hope that you'll come out to join us for this evening of music.

### FIELD DAY AND FAMILY PICNIC: Noon-3 PM June 7<sup>th</sup>

We hope family members will join us to kick off our Field Day with a Volunteer Thank you Picnic Lunch. Parents and younger siblings will be able to purchase school lunch or bring their own and join us for lunch outside (weather permitting!) and then cheer us on at our Field Day fun and games! (Rain date: June 14<sup>th</sup>).

### THE CLASSROOM BUZZ... This month we feature Grades 1 and 2



First and second graders are currently exploring balance and motion in science. In this unit, the big scientific concepts and vocabulary we are learning are *rotation, force, weight, counterbalance and stable position*. If you chat with a first or second grade, ask them to try to balance something and explain to you how they got it in a stable position. We'll end our unit with a field trip to the Children's Museum at Holyoke to explore all the exhibits of the museum but hopefully have an extra focus on their *World of Motion Room*.

We are currently working on finishing up our opinion writing unit. In this unit, we wrote letters to other readers about books we loved. Our final project is to create our own Reading Rainbow style video with one of our letters. We're looking forward to sharing these videos with family members! We'll be moving into poetry soon, which coincides nicely with springtime!

First and second grade readers are practicing getting to know the main character in their stories, and then "becoming" the character as they read aloud, by using appropriate voices for different feelings and twists and turns in the plot. And then we'll put all of this practice into action on a classroom play!

It's an exciting start to spring in our classroom and we're looking forward to all the learning still to come!!

Ms. Kristyn Gibbs

## **TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of WARWICK**

JUNE 2018

Dear Friends,

*The Poor Peoples' Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival* is a revival of the last work of Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr.'s life, begun 50 years ago. The Campaign began 40 days of actions across the country on Sunday, May 13. Associate Conference Minister Rev Kelly Gallagher was part of the action in Boston representing the MA Conference of the UCC. The following is an excerpt from her statement at the beginning of the march.

*"Today is the day we begin to journey together to change the moral narrative of this country. Today is the day when we look at one another and begin to believe that together we can be anew and unsettling force.*

*We have been divided...we have been separated by a culture and society and a system that says 'Fear the other, hate the other, they want what you have, separate, distrust, compete.' We have been divided by the myth that there is not enough – and that others want to take away what we have – others haven't worked as hard as us – we deserve what we have or deserve more than we have – and it is somebody's fault I don't have it. But these myths aren't true – and today we begin to tell the truth – there is no need to fear our siblings, there is enough for everyone in this wealthy country...today we begin to stand side by side to say we have had enough of distorted truth and manipulated facts ...to look one another in the eye, to stand shoulder to shoulder and believe we are not the enemy – people are not the enemy. Unjust policies and systems are what we stand against today – walls and barriers of racism, poverty, ecological devastation and a war economy – those are our enemies. People are not our enemies. Poor people are not our enemies. Women and children and people with disabilities are not our enemies! And we will no longer be divided!*

*We have been divided – I was in Charlottesville on August 12<sup>th</sup> last year – and I saw the deep divide. I looked into the eyes of those who fear the loss of these unjust systems. Those who fear the removal of the barriers that have kept us divided. Those who have bought the myths – hook line and sinker – as truth. And the gulf between us is wide, and deep, and frightening. There is a breach filled with fear and centuries of myth, explicit, implicit, and complicit white supremacy and privilege. A supremacy that will sacrifice women and children at its altar.*

*Today we begin to say enough. We begin to trust one another – and to be trustworthy. We begin to SEE those who have been pushed to the side and make room in the center – for women, and children, for people with disabilities. Today we begin the movement to repair the breach that has been dug so deep.*

*In Charlottesville – the night before – as we prepared for whatever may come – Rev Sekou spoke about why we were there – and I think it has a lot to do with why we are here. We do what we do out of a deep abiding love – love for this beautiful, messy mix of humanity; this amazing earth upon which we stand – love for the truth that WILL set us ALL free, love for one another – for the children. A deep abiding love.*

*We have work to do - my friends – and today we begin. We begin to see one another, to trust one another and to be trustworthy, and to come from a place of deep abiding love. Then we can repair the breach, then our light shall shine like the dawn, and our healing shall come quickly, then we shall be called repairers of the breach, restorers of streets to live in."*

We live in interesting times; difficult yet full of promise. We have choices before us that are of utmost importance; will we choose love and reconciliation or fear and division; will we choose life?

In hopeful faith, Dan

## **UP COMING EVENTS**

**ORANGE COMMUNITY MEAL** The Franklin County Community Meals Program sponsors two meals a week, at Bethany Lutheran Church for the Orange area plus the Orange Food Pantry on East Main Street (across from the Armory). Both are heavily dependent on volunteers for donations and for workers. The Mission committee tries to provide food and helpers for at least two meals a year. This month, we will be doing the meal on Thursday, **June 14**. Anyone wanting to help can sign up on the church facebook page, email or call the chapel or come to the Chapel and sign up on the bulletin board.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Franklin County Gay Pride March- Sat, June 23**

A full schedule of events is available at [franklincountypride.org](http://franklincountypride.org). The day begins with a 5K run starting at 10 AM from the Greenfield Town Common. A Parade from the Greenfield Middle School to Energy Park will begin at 12 Noon. Groups are asked to pre-register. A group will be leaving from the Metcalf Chapel for the parade. If you would like to join us, please call Tom Ziniti (978) 575-0262, Dan Dibble (978) 544-2663 or the Chapel (978) 544-2630

**The MA Conference of the UCC** will hold its Annual Meeting, in conjunction with the Rhode Island and Connecticut Conferences, on Friday & Saturday, June 15 & 16. One of the major pieces of business will be the merger of the three Conferences into one; the how, when and why. This is open to all interested parties and much more will be on the agenda. If anyone would like to go and watch the event and wander around the "Marketplace" you are welcome and we would be happy to carpool.

**THE POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN: A National Call for Moral Revival** is in the middle of a 40 day action to bring attention to the plight of ALL poor people in the US. This is an attempt to bring to everyone's attention the devastating effects, on all parts of our society, of systemic classism, racism, a perpetual war economy and ecological devastation. There are several more actions planned for Boston in the coming weeks. More information is available at [poorpeoplescampaign.org](http://poorpeoplescampaign.org).

**June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30 AM, Rev Dr. Gordon Ellis** will be the guest preacher at Warwick Trinitarian Congregational Church at Metcalf Chapel. His message is entitled: "The Good News from Grace Valley: The Spirit's Prayers". Praise music will be incorporated, so COME JOIN IN!

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

#### **FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS**

*Nonperishable food, personal hygiene & baby care items and household cleaning supplies are collected in the front hall of the Chapel.*

#### **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.*

**SAVE THE DATE: Vacation Bible Days for Elementary School Aged Kids. WEEK OF AUGUST 13TH. More details in the next newsletter or call the chapel.**



**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES—May 7, 2018**

The Annual Town Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. having met the quorum requirement of 30 registered voters (5% quorum; 585 registered voters in Warwick). 79 registered voters were present at the meeting.

**ARTICLE 1: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to accept the reports of Town Officers and Committees for 2017.

**ARTICLE 2: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to authorize the Town Treasurer and Tax Collector to enter into compensating balance agreements during Fiscal Year 2019 as permitted by General Laws Chapter 44:53f.

**ARTICLE 3: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and accept private, state, and federal grants, and to expend any monies received as set forth in the appropriate grant application.

**ARTICLE 4: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to allow town boards and commissions to appoint one of its members to a position under their supervision as allowed by MGL Chapter 268A, section 21A.

**ARTICLE 5: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to adopt a new general bylaw to establish and authorize revolving funds for use by certain town departments, boards, committees, or offices under Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53E ½ as amended by St. 2016, c. 218, § 86.

**ARTICLE 6: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to authorize the following Revolving Fund spending limits for FY19:

- A. Total expenditures for Health Inspections for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2018, will be limited to Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000).
- B. Total expenditures for Burial Fund for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2018, will be limited to Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000).
- C. Total expenditures for costs of Public Hearings for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2018, will be limited to Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000).
- D. Total expenditures for Inspections Revolving conducted by the Plumbing and Gas Inspector for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2018, will be limited to Three Thousand Dollars. (\$3,000).
- E. Total expenditures for Cleaning Revolving Fund shall not exceed Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018.
- F. Total expenditures for Forestry Committee Revolving Fund for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2018, will be limited to Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000).
- G. Total expenditures for Dog Revolving Fund in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018, shall not exceed Two Thousand (\$2,000.00).
- H. Total expenditures for Fire Inspections Fund for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2018, will be limited to Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000).
- I. Total expenditures for the Planning Board's Zoning Program Revolving Fund commencing July 1, 2018, will be limited to two thousand dollars (\$2,000).
- J. Total expenditures for Highway Revolving Fund for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2018, will be limited to fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000).
- K. Total expenditures for Electrical Inspection Revolving for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2018, will be limited to Three Thousand Dollars (\$3000).
- L. Total expenditures for the Field Driver Revolving Fund for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2018, will be limited to Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000).
- M. Total expenditures for the Zoning Board of Appeals Revolving Fund for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018, will be limited to Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000).
- N. Total expenditures of the Tree Warden Revolving Fund for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 shall not exceed Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000).
- O. Total expenditures for the Recreation Revolving Fund for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018 shall not exceed Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000).
- P. Total expenditures for the Election Revolving Fund in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2018, shall not exceed Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500).

**ARTICLE 7: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses, the amount estimated by the Board of Selectmen and the Finance Committee for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2018, for the purposes designated in the budget that follows, or any other amounts for such purposes, which shall not exceed the amounts stated in the column designated "FY 2019 requested".

This article shall also act to fix the salaries and compensation of elected officials as required by Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 41, Section 108.

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES—May 7, 2018 continued**

Requested salaries and compensation for elected officials:

Moderator	\$125	(1)	Selectboard	\$1200	(3)
Assessors	\$1500	(3)	Town Clerk	\$6448	(1)
Tree Warden	\$500	(1)	Board of Health	\$1500	(3)
Cemetery Commission	\$600	(3)			

**NOTE:** Moderator declared as **PASSED** the vote to accept the amount of **\$981,826.00 on line 391 Total Education.**

The total amount voted was \$2,009,061.00.

**ARTICLE 8: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to transfer "Free Cash" certified in the amount of \$105,138 to reduce the FY 2019 tax levy.

**ARTICLE 9: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to transfer \$977 from Overlay Surplus to reduce the FY 2019 tax levy.

**ARTICLE 10: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to appropriate \$31,960 to operate the Transfer Station Enterprise Fund effective July 1, 2018, and that \$31,960 be raised from departmental receipts.

**ARTICLE 11: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to appropriate \$104,000 to operate the Broadband Enterprise Fund effective July 1, 2018, and that \$104,000 be raised from departmental receipts.

**ARTICLE 12: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to raise and appropriate \$25,000 to the Stabilization Fund. (2/3 vote required)

**ARTICLE 13: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$2,800 to provide for SCBA (fire fighter air packs). (2/3 vote required)

**ARTICLE 14: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to transfer from the Stabilization Fund the sum of \$2,500 to provide grant match for purchase of public safety communication equipment. (2/3 vote required)

**ARTICLE 15: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to transfer from the Stabilization Fund \$5000 for Fire Department Turn Out Gear. (2/3 vote required)

**ARTICLE 16: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to transfer from the Stabilization Fund \$5,000 to the Town Hall improvement account. (2/3 vote required)

**ARTICLE 17: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to transfer from the Stabilization Fund \$3,000 for Library exterior painting. (2/3 vote required)

**ARTICLE 18: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to fund the Warwick Community School Improvement Account established by vote of the Annual Town Meeting held May 3, 2004.

**ARTICLE 19: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to raise and appropriate \$8,487 in each of the next three fiscal years, as a supplemental appropriation (in addition to operating and capital articles which are presented in other articles in this warrant) to the Pioneer Valley Regional School District. The sole purpose is to retire the Town's pro rata share of the Pioneer Valley Regional School District School Lunch Program's \$270,000 Revolving Fund Debt over a term of three years. The amount allocated to each member town is based on the FY19 operating percentage (Bernardston 35.06%; Leyden 6.16%; Northfield 49.34% and Warwick 9.43%) This appropriation is made contingent upon Town Meeting approval by all the four PVRSD member towns and with the strongest advisory expectation that there will be no recurrence of further lunch deficits in the future.

**ARTICLE 20: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 to the Revaluation Account.

**ARTICLE 21: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to raise and appropriate \$2000 to the Landfill Monitoring Fund established May 4, 2015, to pay for post closure monitoring at Warwick's former landfill.

**ARTICLE 22: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to raise and appropriate \$2,000 to audit town accounts.

**ARTICLE 23: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to raise and appropriate \$900 to Household Hazardous Waste expense.

**ARTICLE 24: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to amend its authorization of electricity aggregation in ARTICLE 20 of the May 2, 2011 vote of Annual Town Meeting, by striking the words "through the Hampshire Council of Governments".

**ARTICLE 25: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to amend its Stabilization Fund appropriation in ARTICLE 17 of the May 4, 2015 vote of Annual Town Meeting, by striking the word "Mack".

**ARTICLE 26: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to approve the Incomplete Vehicle Penalty Zoning Bylaw: The 1st offense shall be a ticketed warning. The 2nd offense shall be a fine of \$25 per vehicle in excess of the one allowed. The 3rd and subsequent offenses shall be \$100 per vehicle in excess of the one allowed. Following ticketing a month will be allowed for removal before follow-up ticketing. No follow up ticketing will be done during periods when access is significantly impaired, such as deep snow or during mud season. This bylaw shall be enforced by the Planning Board, Building Inspector or any Police Officer.

**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MINUTES—May 7, 2018 continued**

**ARTICLE 27: PASSED OVER** to approve an amendment to the Pioneer Regional School District Agreement which would reduce the size of the board to seven members, establish term limits, and prohibit employees of the school district from serving on the School Committee.

**ARTICLE 28: VOTED UNANIMOUSLY** to accept the donation of the new fire station building from the Warwick Firemen's Association.

The meeting was dissolved at 9:08 p.m. A true record of the action taken.

Rosa Fratangelo, Town Clerk

**Selectboard                      April 9, 2018                      Minutes**

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**Selectboard                      April 13, 2018                      Minutes**

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

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**CLASSIFIED AD:** Tribute Perception is made for a slighter body/ considered a woman's kayak.


Used it about 8 x locally. Also have Thule rack with roller bar to ease putting it on the roof. This fit on a Toyota Matrix/ Corolla and now fits on a Honda Fit. There's a paddle/& flotation device included. \$700 for everything.

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					1  The Gathering Place 10am	2 Transfer Station 8-3 Library Open 10am to 12:30 pm Yoga 9:15 Town Hall
3  Worship Service 9:30AM  Zumba 8am Tully	4  Library Open 10-4	5 Library Open 1-8pm Sr. Mealsite 11:45  GUILD 1PM  Strong 6pm  Elementary Band Concert 7pm	6	7 Library Open 5-8pm FIELD DAY WCS DROP IN KNITTING 6:30-7:30 Library  Allen Young at Library 7pm  Zumba 6pm Town Hall	8  FOOT CLINIC Metcalf Chapel 8am	9 Trans Stat 8-3 Library 10am to 12:30 pm Yoga 9:15
10  Worship Service 9:30AM  Zumba 8am Tully	11  Library Open 10-4	12 Sr. Mealsite 11:45 Library Open 1-8pm Strong 6pm Tully	13  Book Club 10am Library	14 Library Open 5-8pm  DROP IN KNITTING 6:30-7:30 Library  Zumba 6pm Town Hall	15	16 Transfer Station 8-3 Library Open 10am to 12:30 Yoga 9:15 Town Hall
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24  Worship Service 9:30AM  Zumba 8am Tully SOMATICS 1-2:30pm	25  Library Open 10-4  Summer Reading Program Begins at Library	26 Sr. Meal 11:45 Library 1-8 Strong 6pm Tully	27	28 Library Open 5-8pm  DROP IN KNITTING 6:30-7:30 Library  Zumba 6pm Town Hall	29	30 Transfer Station 8-3 Yoga 9:15 Town Hall

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ALLEN YOUNG AT THE LIBRARY—June 7  
FOOT CLINIC—June 8  
BOOK CLUB—June 13  
WCS GRADUATION—June 20  
HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING—June 20



**Town of Warwick  
Selectboard  
April 9, 2018  
Minutes**

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne, James Erviti

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Planning Board member Ted Cady, Fire Chief Ron Gates, Fire Fighters Mike Mankowsky and Robert Masterson, Moderator David Koester, John Rodgers, Bill Lyman, Max Marcus (*Greenfield Recorder*)

**I. Call to Order**

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

**II. Minutes**

Magi MOVED to approve the minutes of March 26, 2018 as printed. Erviti SECONDED.  
Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

**III. Presentations and Discussions**

- 1. Chapter 268A:20D Exemptions** —Because he is a School Committee member, Young recused himself from the discussion and left the room. John Rodgers came before the Board again to request an exemption. Pruyne said that he had spoken with Town Counsel who told him that no one who works more than 800 hours for the School District is eligible for an exemption. Rodgers said that he was only seeking an exemption as a member of the PVRSD School Committee and not for his part-time employment as a custodian. Pruyne noted that there are proposed changes to the District agreement to be voted on at the Annual Town Meeting, one of which would prohibit District employees to serve on the School Committee. He said that this matter could either be voted on tonight or put off until after the Town Meeting. There was a consensus of the Board to table this issue until after the Annual Town Meeting. Rodgers said that he will have to resign because the allotted 60 days will expire prior to the Town Meeting. He noted that he has served on the School Committee for ten years and does not intend to seek re-election. Rodgers said that he might request a time exemption, and said that he appreciated the Selectboard's time in hearing him on this matter.

2. **Update on Contracting for Town Accounting Services**—Erviti said that he has heard nothing further from BMAG, and he presumed the process was on track for BMAG to assume the Town Accounting services on July 1, 2018.
3. **Meeting Behavior Guidelines** —The Board needed more time to review the draft guidelines, so Pruyne said the subject will be taken up at the next meeting.
4. **Annual Town Meeting Warrant** —The Board reviewed the Draft Annual Town Meeting Warrant and Omnibus budget. Young said that Article 28 is the petition article submitted asking the Town to accept the new Fire Station. He explained that, per Town Counsel, the Selectboard must put the article on the warrant and it is incumbent upon them to perfect the language in order to make the article actionable. Young said that the new fire station has been a project of the non-profit Firemen’s Association, but once it is owned by the Town, we must pay prevailing wage. Fire Chief Ron Gates said that the 24’ x 80’ addition, which will house the communications room, training room and bathroom needs to be completed, which will include pouring the floor and plumbing. He noted that the Firemen’s Association raises about \$2,000.00 a year and has spent about \$115,000.00 so far on the new building. Young noted that we are very fortunate that many of our firefighters are also contractors and can work on the building as town employees for their town pay rate. He also said that there is a MEMA grant from which funds can be used on the new fire station building. Erviti said that the money is sitting waiting to be used and this would be an excellent use of the funds.

There are also other articles for the Fire Department involving transfers from Capital Stabilization: \$2,800.00 for SCBA fire fighter air packs, \$2,500.00 grant match for public safety communication equipment, and \$5,000.00 for Fire Department turn-out gear. Article 25 asks for the removal of the words “Mack Truck” from the previously voted Article 17 of the May 4, 2015 ATM.

Bill Lyman said that he wants to see the new fire station building serve the town for the next 50 years. Mike Mankowsky said that he had thought they could use the work model of the Highway Department when doing projects for the town. Erviti said that they can as long as they act as members of the Fire Department and not the Firemen’s Association.

Ted Cady of the Planning Board spoke about the incomplete motor vehicle penalty By-law guidelines. He wanted to change “The Enforcement” to “The Proposed Enforcement” for the purpose of clarification for the voters. Cady outlined all the legal requirements for zoning by-laws. He noted that the Building Inspector is the enforcing authority for zoning by-laws.

Young said that the way in which revolving funds are authorized changed due to 2016 legislation, so at this year’s Annual Town Meeting we must adopt revolving funds as general by-laws. Young said that the only new revolving fund is for elections so that funds from the State to off-set the cost of certain elections can be used to pay the election workers.

Young said that the proposed changes to the PVRS District Agreement should appear on the ATM warrant, and that he will continue to work on it. He noted that he doubts all four towns will vote to adopt the exact same language. Pruyne asked if it was truly in our best interest to have just one representative on the School Committee. Young said that 12 members is too

many; Warwick currently has three members. Young stated that the School Committee members represent education and not just the towns.

The draft omnibus budget was discussed next. There is a \$500.00 reduction in Town Secretary pay, the Town Accountant budget is down by 16%, the Tax Collector budget is reduced by 4% due to the removal of the certification incentive, and Town Hall expense is down by 8.1%. The Town Clerk budget is up by 25.4% due to three elections and early voting. The Conservation Commission budget is increasing by \$100.00 for training and travel. Overall, General Government is down by \$6,531 (3.2%). Public safety, the Highway Department and the ambulance are level-funded. Total Human Services is down \$1,794.00 (10.9%). Total Culture/Recreation is up by \$225.00. Young said that the Board of Health will move some funds to a line item for water testing. In the Education category, PVRS is up \$25,712.00 (3.2%) and the Tech School is up \$17,049.00 (14.1%) due to the enrollment of one more student. The Total Education budget is \$980,447.00, which is up \$42,484 (4.5%). The total omnibus budget is \$2,003,505.00, up \$36,791.00 (1.9%).

Young spoke about the contributory health insurance, noting we might do better reverting back to the Hampshire COG and said we need to have a question on the Annual Town Election ballot to accept MGL 32B:10. He said the total of all money articles is \$60,700.00 which is down by \$60,700.00 (50.1%) compared to FY 18.

The road salt ban was on the draft warrant as Article 29. Erviti said that we don't yet understand all the data from this winter and to vote a salt ban could be premature and costly if the ice accumulation has to be specially dealt with.

Magi VOTED to eliminate the salt ban article from the Annual Town Warrant. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

Pruyne had recused himself from this discussion because his well is affected by salt.

- 5. Coordinator Report**—Young said that the Board needs to vote to authorize the Chair to sign a MOU that permits FRCOG to provide technical assistance on Green Communities activities.

Magi MOVED to authorize the Chair to sign the MOU with FRCOG. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Magi MOVED to authorize the Town Coordinator to initiate FRCOG fuel bids. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

Young said that Verizon has made an offer to replace the wires with fiber from the Fire Station to the Orange town line, replace the box at the Fire Station and add another box. He asked the

Board to agree to have Town Counsel withdraw our complaint without prejudice against reapplication for a future action against Verizon.

Erviti MOVED to withdraw the complaint regarding Verizon with the stipulation we may re-file if problems arise. Magi SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

**6. Selectboard Reports**—Pruyne said that the Fire Chief has estimated that \$30,000.00 are needed in materials for the new fire station. Young noted that the floor needs to be poured and plumbing also needs to be done.

#### IV. Adjournment

At 7:57 p.m. Magi MOVED to adjourn. Erviti SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.

#### Documents consulted at this meeting:

- \*Draft Minutes of March 26, 2018 Selectboard meeting
- \*Coordinator Report dated April 5, 2018
- \*Warwick Departmental Revolving Fund By-law
- \*FY 19 Proposed Broadband Budget
- \*Capital Stabilization Sources and Uses
- \*Proposed changes to Section I The Regional School District Committee
- \*Incomplete Motor Vehicle Penalty By-Law
- \*FRCOG Memorandum of Understanding by and between FRCOG and Town of Warwick for Municipal Energy Coordination Services
- \*Capital Planning Policies
- \*DRAFT Annual Town Meeting warrant and Omnibus Budget for May 7, 2018 ATM

**Town of Warwick  
Selectboard  
April 13, 2018  
Minutes**

Members present: Dawn Magi, Lawrence Pruyne

Member absent: James Erviti

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

I. Call to Order

Chair Pruyne called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. in Town Hall.

II. Presentations and Discussions

- 1. Town Election Ballot Question** —Town Clerk Rosa Fratangelo explained that per MGL 54:42C the official wording of a ballot question must be approved by the Selectboard and provide written notice to the Town Clerk no later than 35 days before a local election. Due to Patriots Day falling on the 35<sup>th</sup> day, it is required that the previous business day be the deadline. Fratangelo said that this means that the Selectboard must vote the exact wording of the ballot question, each member present must sign, and include the date and time on the original hard copy and give it to the Town Clerk before 5 p.m. today.

The text of the ballot question reads as follows: “Shall certain provisions of chapter thirty-two B of the General Laws, authorizing any county, except Worcester county, city, or town or district to provide a plan of contributory group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance, and group general or blanket hospital, surgical, medical, dental and other health insurance for certain persons in the service of such county, city, town or district and their dependents, be accepted by this town?”

Magi MOVED to include the ballot question on the May 21, 2018 Annual Town Election ballot. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.
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Both members of the Board signed the document and dated it (April 13, 2018 1:10 p.m.).

Young noted that while this requires the Town to offer retiree health insurance, it does not require the Town to pay for it.

### III. Adjournment

At 1:17 p.m. Magi MOVED to adjourn. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 2-0-0.

### Documents consulted at this meeting:

\*Wording of Ballot Question