

SEPTEMBER, 2015

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

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L E T T E R O F T H A N K S

Thanks to the many friends and family for visits, calls, cards and flowers. My time at Applewood is much nicer because of all your thoughtfulness.

I hope to be back in Warwick soon.

Thanks,

Oliver Fellows

L E T T E R O F T H A N K S

It is so nice to live in a Town where everyone is a good friend and neighbor. Thank you to all who come when Judy and I need help—the EMTs and everyone who is right there to help. Thank you again, Judy and Bill Styles.

W O M E N ' S G U I L D

Guild will meet at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 1 in the basement of the Town Hall. Warwick resident Denyse Dar will be joining us for an informal discussion on issues affecting seniors, followed by a short business meeting and refreshments. Hope to see you there!
- Martha Morse

H I S T O R I C A L S O C I E T Y

The Warwick Historical Society will hold their 3rd quarterly meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 16 in the basement of the Town Hall. We'll be continuing discussions on ways to finance ongoing efforts to preserve the history of our town, and enjoying some tasty treats while we do it.
EVERYONE is welcome, member or not. Hope you can join us! - Martha Morse

Harvest is a great time to make a film for the 2015 Pioneer Valley Transition Town Film Festival!

The submission deadline is not until October 9th so there is lots of time to create a film and submit it

for the 2015 Film Festival on November 6th at GCC.

No previous film making experience or personal equipment required!

You can get help if needed from either local media center:

*BNCTV-Bernardston/Northfield, at PVRS – 413.648.6300, info@BNCTV.net, www.BNCTV.net -or-
AOTV-Athol/Orange, 163 S. Main St, Athol – 978.249.4470, info@AOTV13.org, www.aotv13.org*

Young or old, solo or team, experienced or non-filmmaker, just pick one of the many ways Warwick is working toward resilient living in the Valley – putting to film how folks are transforming and creating a positive future for our towns. Both competitive categories, Adult and 18 and Under will be awarded 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place cash prizes.

Energy Savings for Seniors



Athol—Wednesday, September 23, 10 a.m., Athol Senior Center

Turners Falls—Thursday, September 24, 10 a.m., Great Falls Discovery Center

Attend Energy Savings for Seniors and learn about home energy benefits that persons age 60+ qualify for already! Save money on fuel and obtain rebates for energy efficient appliances; 1:1 assistance and light refreshments will be available. Both events are sponsored by FCHCC's Benefits Counseling program. For information, contact Gretchen Smith at 413-773-5555 or

info@fchcc.org. Read more at www.fchcc.org.

QUABBIN HARVEST CO-OP

Quabbin Harvest to host "Autumn Extravaganza" on September 12

Quabbin Harvest, the co-operative food market located at 12 North Main Street in downtown Orange, will host an "Autumn Extravaganza" on Saturday, September 12, from 11 AM until 3 PM, in the parking lot adjacent to the store. The event will feature co-op member artisans, growers and producers, as well as food, music and children's activities. The public is invited to attend the event and also to shop at the store, which is open from 8 AM until 4 PM on Saturdays, as well as Tuesday through Friday from 8 AM until 6:30 PM.



PUBLIC LIBRARY

E-books are the up and coming way to read if you have an e-reader. Massachusetts Library System has a new platform for accessing e-books for residents. You can get started at eBooks.masslibsystem.org or stop by the Library for more information.

Passes are still available for many attractions - most are free.

We have available New England Trail Maps and Guides for 10 hikes each in Massachusetts and Connecticut. Stop by and borrow this waterproof map and take a hike!

New Books include: Bell Weather by Mahoney, Can't We Talk About Something More Pleasant? by Chast, Circling the Sun by McLain, Everything Under the Heavens by Stabenow, Go Set a Watchman by Lee, Library at Mt. Char by Hawkins, My Grandmother Asked me to Tell You She's Sorry by Backman, Wright Brothers by McCullough.

OPEN SATURDAYS STARTING 9/12

—Nancy Hickler, Director

Get Moving!

At Town Hall, Sponsored by the
Recreation Committee

Tuesdays and Thursdays 6pm and Sundays at 8am for **ZUMBA!** Drop in fee just \$5. Call Leanne if you have questions 544-5553

ARCHIVE SEARCH? If you ever lose want to look at an old issue, they are on the Warwick Webpage at www.warwickma.org along with things like *Permit Applications, Police Logs, Meeting Agendas, Town Hall Office Hours*, and lots of other very useful information! If you would like post something to the webpage, contact Ed Lemon, Webmaster at

THE GATHERING PLACE

The Gathering Place menu is available each week on the L, Warwick Web and TCC Facebook page. Thank you all for your continued support. Please note a slight increase in prices, also going forward desserts will be individually priced. Fridays at Town Hall, 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 a we'll pack lunch for you. Now that Summer is here we'll be offering some salads along with the soup and sandwiches. Everyone is welcome.

Tracy Gaudet, Outreach Coordinator for Orange COA and Shine Counselor, (Serving Health Insurance Needs for Everyone), is attempting to be more available to Warwick Residents. Tracy will be at the Gathering on Friday, September 11 and Friday, September 25, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. 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.

- Diana Tandy

R E S T A U R A N T R E V I E W

The Atholl House
491 Main Street
Athol, MA 01331

A short time after they opened, I went here for lunch. Luckily I found a parking spot right in front but that was the only good thing about my experience here. People were standing around and didn't bother to seat us so we sat ourselves. Didn't know they had another room so we sat near the counter but at a table.

They finally brought us some menus and we selected sandwiches for lunch. The place was not crowded at all. Some guys had come in and sat at another table near us and there might have been a couple people at the counter. A couple of people had come out of the other room and left, which is how we found out they had the other room.

We waited over 30 minutes for our sandwiches to arrive. The guys that came in after us had gotten served before us so I questioned where our sandwiches were and the waitress, who was new at serving, went and checked and said they would be right out.

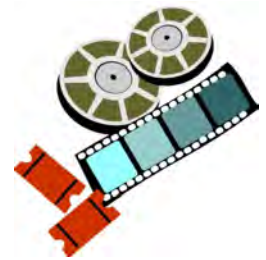
When they arrived, they were just OK, nothing to rave about. The prices are average but they are going to have to speed up service in order to serve the lunch crowd. Anyone with a set lunch hour wouldn't be able to eat here. I've read some pros and cons about breakfast so I might give them another try but if that fails I'll never go back. Hope you have a better experience if you decide to try it. Bon Appetite.
- Gloria Varno

C O U N C I L O N A G I N G

Council on Aging sponsors a Foot Clinic on the 3rd Friday of the month from 8—8:30a.m. at the Trinitarian Congregational Church (32 Athol Road). Bring a Towel and a \$2 donation for the church.

FIRST CHUCKLE IN THE FUNNY FILM SERIES

Mark the third Saturday of every month for the rest of the year. The Funny Film Series, hosted in the Town Hall by Doc Pruyne, will make you laugh like nothing else.



The first presentation in the series will be *Gold Rush*. By the time Charlie Chaplin wrote, directed and starred in the film he had perfected his pigeon-toed character, the vagabond, and gives a great comedic performance. The story features amusing sight gags, slapstick, a mean-spirited villain and a touching romance. Critics have said it is the single most entertaining film of the silent era of Hollywood.

Gold Rush will air in the Town Hall at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 19th. Bring the kids, this classic is great entertainment for all ages. Refreshments will be served.

This presentation has been sponsored by the Warwick Cultural Council and the Warwick Arts Council.

Approved at 5/28/15 PVRSD Mtg.

PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 2015/2016 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

AUGUST							SEPTEMBER (20/20)							OCTOBER (20/40)							
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30	31						9/2: Students First Day*							10/12: Columbus Day							
8/31: Faculty First Day							(*Grades 1-12)							10/30: Full Day In-Service							
							9/7: Labor Day Holiday														
NOVEMBER (18/58)							DECEMBER (17/75)							JANUARY (19/94)							
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11/11: Veterans' Day Observed							12/23: 1/2 day early release							1/1: New Year's Day							
11/12: Early Release 1/2 day: Elementary only														1/18: M.L. King Day							
11/25: Early Release							12/24-31: Holiday Recess														
11/26-27: Thanksgiving Recess																					
FEBRUARY (16/110)							MARCH (22/132)							APRIL (16/148)							
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2/15-19: Winter Recess							3/25: Full Day In-Service							4/18-22: Spring Recess							
MAY (21/169)							JUNE (11/180)														
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5/30: Memorial Day							6/15: 180th Day - Early Release														
							6/22: 185th Day														

Every Friday PVRs will dismiss at 12:54 p.m. & all Elementary Schools will dismiss at 1:45 p.m.

***Except Friday, September 4th (full day.)**

- Please be advised that MA public schools must be in session 180 days prior to July 1. Days lost to weather events or other emergencies are added to the 180th scheduled day. Historical data shows the PVRSD adding up to 5 days in the last 20 years with little deviation.

- With the exception of opening week, students are released early on Friday to accommodate professional development. If a weather event results in a delayed start on Friday, there is no change to the early release. However, only PreKindergarten students should not report on Friday if there is a 2 hour delayed start.

Smoke ~ N~ Hot News.. From the firehouse:

Summer is flying by!!

We have come a long way on our new station, with a long way to go. We are determined to finish before that dreadful cold weather gets here. We don't want to take our trucks out of service. I can't thank the department enough for coming together and getting this done. If anyone would like to help us finish this we would definitely appreciate it.

You can give me or Bill Lyman a call at 978-544-9654

We are still looking for men and women to join the fire department.

Maybe you would like to help your fire department but do not want to go into a house on fire. There are a lot of jobs on the department that does not actually require you to fight the fire. So please don't let that keep you from joining us.

If you are interested give me a call or talk to one of the other firefighters. If you are 15 years old we have a great junior firefighter team come join us. Meeting nights are the second Tuesday of the month at 7pm and training is the third Tuesday at 6:30.

As always, donations are appreciated.

As a matter fact, there has been many very generous donations from individuals to entire companies and we appreciate all of them. Thank you so much.

If you would like to give a donation please make checks payable to: Warwick Fire Association.

We also have a website that you can see our progress and donate . It is the GOFUNDME .com Warwick public safety building.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to call me.

Stay Safe!

Fire Chief Ron Gates 978-544-8052

Metcalf Chapel's Annual Apple Pie Sale



Pick up October 8-9, 2015. Order now!

Email Helen Whipple at hrwhip1@yahoo.com or Andrea Woods at andrea@woods4.com to order or call Helen at

544-6838 Pick up will be at Town Hall

\$10 for a 9" deep dish pie

Tip: Order pies unbaked and then freeze and use for the holidays!

Sugar Free Pies available

Proceeds Benefit Trinitarian Congregational Church of Warwick

ANIMAL CONTROL

SPRAY IT ISN'T SO! That black and white little menace has struck and your pet has been sprayed!

If you have ever had a pet be sprayed by a skunk and then bring that oh so distinctive smell into your house, know just how difficult it is to remove that bad smell from your pet's coat.

If your dog gets "skunked," there are some actions you can take after the fact to make sure your dog, and your home, lose that skunky odor. *How to Wash Your Dog:* First, keep your dog outside until you are ready to wash him to prevent him from spreading the smell around your house. Wear old clothes that you are comfortable getting smelly or throwing out, as it is likely that you will get dirty while cleaning your pet.

Prepare the following solution: 1 quart of hydrogen peroxide (3 percent is recommended); ¼ cup of baking soda; 1 teaspoon of liquid dishwashing soap; regular dog shampoo. Do ***NOT*** prepare this solution in advance because the resulting chemical reaction can cause an explosion if it's not used quickly!

Wearing rubber gloves, combine all the ingredients in a large bucket. Wash your dog with the solution as soon as possible after he has been sprayed, to try to prevent the oil from the skunk from drying on his coat, because once the skunk oil has dried on the coat, it will be that much harder to get rid of the smell.

A skunk's spray can irritate your dog's eyes, so pay attention if they seem red or irritated. Use care not to get the cleaning solution in the eyes. Rub the mixture thoroughly through his fur and then rinse it off within 5 minutes. If left on too long, the peroxide contained in the solution can irritate the skin and can slightly lighten your dog's coat. *Repeatedly apply and rinse the solution until the odor is noticeably gone.* Once the solution is rinsed entirely from your dog's coat, wash your pet with his regular shampoo and rinse thoroughly, then towel him down and make sure to place him in a warm space to dry off.

Although you cannot guarantee that a skunk will never spray your pet, there are a few things you can do to minimize how attractive your home is to the black and white sprayers. Do not leave food or open trashcans outside. Placing moth balls around your property may deter skunks from getting too close. Always keep an eye on your pet when he heads for wooded areas, and should you see a skunk, try to move away slowly and quietly.

If you need to get that skunky aroma out of your house, open your windows, run your fans and replace any air conditioning filters; shampoo your carpets and any towels, blankets, items of clothing or any other removable fabrics; add baking soda to your next wash to help prevent the smell from seeping too deeply into fabrics; wash yourself with the same solution you used on your dog. The smell can linger, and it's best to wash it from your skin as quickly as possible. —Rosa Fratangelo

Warwickians On-Line If you can send and receive email, you can sign up for the Warwick-L, our town's on-line discussion group. Anything that pertains to Warwick and the people who live here is appropriate. To join us, send an email to message to miryam@mwilliamson.com including your full name, address, phone number, and if you are not a resident, a sentence or two saying why you want to join.

Looking for local crafters for to join me
Sept 19th at Greentrees Gallery North-
field for our **Fall Craft Fair!** Space is all
outside (Rain Date Sept 20th) 8a.m.- 2p.m. \$20.00 per
crafter. Call Corinne at Grace Receptions 413-834-1975
or Stop by Rooster's Bistro.

WANTED

The **WARWICK HOLIDAY FAIR** will be November 28 (Saturday after Thanksgiving). We are looking for craftspeople to rent table space. Limited space, tables reserve quickly! Send payment and a note about what you will be selling to Trinitarian Congregational Church, 32 Athol Road, Warwick, MA 01378. Checks to "TCC". Food items, crafts, new items welcome, no flea market items please. Cost is \$15 for an 8' table, and \$8 for a card table. Call Andrea @ 544-6844 with questions.



TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH of WARWICK

SEPTEMBER 2015

Dear Friends,

WWJD – WDJD -WSID

I seem to have noticed (and I may have been overly selective in my noticing) that quite often those using the WWJD (What Would Jesus Do) slogan/bumper sticker use it like a kind of holy duct tape, to patch up or cover over lives filled with harsh judgement, intolerance and even down right spitefulness.

“After following a car for some blocks and seeing the driver honk at a slower vehicle, flip the bird to a car that had stopped to turn across traffic and cut in front of a bicyclist, the policeman pulled the driver over. Being greeted by ‘What the hell did I do?’ the officer replied, ‘Seeing the WWJD bumper sticker on your car, I thought this might be a stolen vehicle.’”

Of course the same thing can be said about those sporting the “Peace” stickers or the “Coexist” stickers. We all, at one time or another, use catch phrases or slogans meant to bring people together as a means of punishing or excluding those we disagree with. And it isn’t just confined to religion, it can be political; “My interpretation of the Constitution is the only valid one”, racial, class or gender. We seem to be in one of those periods in history when we have little patience with each other, and it’s being acted out at all levels, from the world stage to our own town. We don’t have time for ___ (fill in the blank with your favorite irritation).

Is it that we don’t have the time or we don’t dare take the time to consider what our actions reveal, about ourselves and our way of life? We hear, “Immigrants are a threat to our nation”, whether in the EU or the US. Why are so many people leaving their homes, gambling their lives and livelihoods on a dangerous and highly uncertain journey? Is it just greed, avarice and crime that lure them or could it be violence and a total lack of hope at home? Why are so many people of color, especially young black men, in jail or under court supervision? Is it because they are somehow genetically inferior, prone to crime and violence or could it be that written and unwritten rules and “norms” keep them in places of poverty and violence; that lack of decent education diminish hopes and dreams, and “looking different” means they are easily spotted and identified as “threats”?

WWJD too often stops at the individual level and too often is turned against those who are on the margins of respectable society instead of looking at how we as a community treat each other. What Did Jesus Do (WDJD)? He challenged the barriers of his religion and society, by reaching out to those on the margins. He broke the rules, he touched the “unclean”, he spoke to women in public, he ate and drank with sinners and tax collectors. He did what the Dalai Lama suggested, “Know the rules so you can break them properly.” Jesus knew what the underlying, unbreakable law was; love with your whole heart, mind and being. He also knew that was extremely difficult and that those who lived by that law would be persecuted, harassed and quite possibly killed for their efforts. But he had faith that there is more to life than what just the physical parameters reveal; that there are levels of existence we ignore at our peril; that interdependence is a dangerous myth and that interdependence is a reality.

So, if I would be a “Christian”, WSID (What Should I Do)? The apostle Paul said, “test the Spirits”. Take the time to “question authority”, both the internal and external centers of authority in your life. Does God hate anything God has made, or do people hate some things God has made? Does God call any of God’s creation an abomination, or do people call them that? Are we made in God’s image or are we trying to make our god in our image? WDJD; WWJD; WSID?

In faith, Dan

ONGOING EVENTS AT THE CHAPEL

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

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

COMMUNITY GARDEN *We grow food for the Orange Food Pantry. Help is always gratefully appreciated, as are donations of fresh veggies Wed evening or Thursday mornings. The green box by the white sign at the end of the parking area is for veggie exchange or for veggies for the Food Pantry.*

***THE TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF WARWICK
DECLARES ITSELF TO BE AN
OPEN AND AFFIRMING CONGREGATION***

On Sunday, July 19 the congregation voted to adopt the following "Open and Affirming Covenant":

We, the members of the Trinitarian Congregational Church of Warwick, Massachusetts, are a faith community striving to follow the teachings of Jesus with God's help and grace. We covenant to welcome and support all people without regard to race, ethnicity, ability or disability, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, age, political opinion, and marital or economic status. By declaring that we are open and affirming of all people, we seek to convey that total participation in our church's life and mission is available to everyone.

Rationale: I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another. (John 13: 34-35)

SEPTEMBER EVENTS

SUNDAY WORSHIP 10 AM

GAMES NIGHT 3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH 5:30 Pot Luck Supper followed by games until 8 PM. The first GAMES NIGHT will be SEPT 17. Do you have a favorite game you could bring? Come let us know what you enjoy and see if we have it at the Chapel.

APPLE PIES – It looks like a banner year for apples and we will be picking, peeling, slicing at the end of the month and making pies for sale in OCTOBER. Pick up will be October 8-9. Email hrwhip1@yahoo.com or andrea@woods4.com to order or call Helen Whipple at 544-6838 if you don't have email. Sugar Free also available. \$10/pie.

CROP WALK RECRUITMENT SUPPER 6 PM WED., SEPT. 9 ST JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH, GREENFIELD. This is where and when sponsor sheets are handed out to groups along with information and flyers. The Walk will begin at St James Church on **SUN. OCT. 18 @ 2PM.**

Selectboard Minutes—July 20, 2015

Members present: Dawn Magi, Nick Arguimbau, Lawrence Pruyne

Others present: Town Coordinator David Young, Town Secretary Rosa Fratangelo, Finance Committee Chair Rick Abbott, Broadband Committee Chair Tom Wyatt, WiredWest Representative John Bradford, Bill Lyman, Steve Ruggiero, Maria Ruggiero, Kimberly Smith, Scott Williams, Jon Calcari, Jared Robinson (*Athol Daily News*), Rachel Rapkin (*Greenfield Recorder*)

I. Call to Order

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

Bill Lyman announced that he was recording the meeting.

Selectboard Chair Dawn Magi stated that the Selectboard meetings are public meetings and that she expected people to treat each other with courtesy and respect. She said that one person at a time can speak, that people must be recognized by the Chair before speaking, and that there will be no cross-talking. She said that comments were not to become attacks, that Public Comment was not a place to attack people, and if there is a problem with or complaint about an employee, the appropriate first step is to contact the department head directly.

II. Public Comment

Steve Ruggiero said that in some circumstances Public Comment could become something of a confrontation. Magi reiterated that if there was a problem with an employee or a department, first take it up with the department head outside of a meeting. Young said that if the problem cannot be resolved in that manner, then it can come before the Board but the person about whom the complaint has been made has certain legal rights. Ruggiero inquired as to whether his comments at the last meeting were considered to be questions or attacks, to which Magi replied that she considered his questions inappropriate. Young said that it caused the New Salem Police Chief embarrassment and extra work, but it was then determined that he was thinking about questions posed by Ruggiero at the meeting prior to the last one. Arguimbau said that he agreed about handling a problem with an employee in the manner to which Magi described, but said that he disagreed when it came to a department or departmental activities. He used as an example the pothole complaints, wanting people to inform the Highway Department but also the Selectboard so that the Board knows what is happening in Town. Arguimbau said that when the matter involves a department or something a department does, it should be up to the person with the issue whether to bring it to the department or directly to the Selectboard. Magi disagreed, stating that the Board does not need to handle every complaint and that the department head should have a chance to deal with the issue first. Arguimbau said that the Board members are the bosses and should know what is going on. Young said that it has been a long standing practice that complaints go to the department head first and that reports flow to the Selectboard.

III. Minutes

Magi said that she wanted approval of the July 6, 2015 minutes to be postponed until the next meeting because a correction needs to be made but first she required more information.

IV. Presentations and Discussions

1. **New Seating Standard Proposal**—Young said that the new seating arrangements at Selectboard meetings would be that only Board members, staff and the person speaking to an agenda item would be allowed at the head table. All others would sit in chairs arranged for the public. Arguimbau said that it was the Chair's prerogative to determine the seating arrangements.
2. **Policy to Ban Firearms at Meetings, Except for Law Enforcement Officers** —.

Arguimbau MOVED to make it a policy of the Selectboard to ban firearms at meetings of the Board except for law enforcement officers. Pruyne SECONDED.

A discussion ensued, beginning with Magi's statement that with all the things going on in this country she felt that we do not need firearms at Selectboard meetings. Jon Calcari asked Magi if she was denying our Second Amendment rights; Magi said "no". Young said that Second Amendment rights were for organized militia, and both he and Magi said that they were uncomfortable with firearms. Young said that people cannot carry firearms in a Federal building, in a Massachusetts court, or the Statehouse. Ruggiero pointed out that all of those places already have a security present. Kim Smith said that this was a "personality situation" that is continuing here, and further stated that she was not comfortable being told that citizens cannot carry. She went on to say that if we are not allowed to protect ourselves then Chief Shoemaker should be stationed at the door because if no one else is allowed to carry then a member of our Police force should be present. Pruyne said that the discussion was becoming contentious and that he was not trying to impinge upon anyone's Second Amendment rights. He also said that members of the Board have a right to feel comfortable and have the prerogative to take steps.

Rick Abbott suggested that the Board check with Town Counsel and the Attorney General's office and come back next meeting. Magi said that they will check with Town Counsel and that the vote will be held over until the next meeting.

NO VOTE TAKEN at this meeting.

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3. **Update on FERC Pipeline Scoping Sessions**—Young said that the next scoping session on the pipeline would be held on Wednesday, July 29th in Greenfield. He noted that Kinder Morgan is required by FERC to specifically respond to Warwick. Young said that another scoping session will be held close by, either in Northfield or Winchester, NH but that to the best of his knowledge the date had not yet been set.

4. **Massachusetts DOT Nondiscrimination Assurances**—Young said that in order to obtain any federal financial assistance, the Mass DOT Office of Diversity and Civil Rights wanted the Board to vote and sign a Federal Highway Administration Title VI/Nondiscrimination Assurance.
Arguimbau MOVED that the Selectboard does not discriminate on the basis of the grounds specified in federal policies. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.
5. **Review Updated Selectboard Policies Document**—Young said that the updated policy document was in the Board members' meeting packets, and that we needed to come up with a policy on sending complaints to department heads first. There was a consensus of the Board to postpone this until the next meeting. Arguimbau said that there was nothing wrong in asking a person if they have gone to the department head and to keep the discussion short if the answer was "no", but people should be free to come and say what they want.

6. **Finance Committee Chair Rick Abbott**—Rick Abbott handed out copies of a proposed form to assess long term capital planning needs for the Town's departments, Boards and Committees. The goal of this long range projected but not budgeted forecast is to "provide the best comprehensive 10-year budget projections, so Town Meetings can make the difficult financial decisions based on the financial facts".
Abbott wanted all departments, committees and boards to use the included sample table as a model to aid in the completion of a 10-year projection of currently unbudgeted costs. Examples of such future expenditures that could require a warrant article because it is not already in a budget line item included: building repairs or improvements; equipment or vehicle upgrades or replacements; training; additional personnel; hardware or software requirements.
Abbott pointed out that long term capital planning is needed to reduce the risk of financially overextending the Town. Magi thanked him for his work and said that she firmly supported departments doing this. Arguimbau also expressed support for long term capital planning.
Bill Lyman inquired if the Finance Committee could make recommendations to the Selectboard on providing incentives to the owners of the store and the Inn to help make Warwick more of a draw. Abbott said that by prioritizing our spending we will make this a better town. He pointed out that this list of projected expenses was to be used for justifiable needs and necessities. Abbott said that the forms should be completed by Fall, especially if there were to be a Fall Special Town Meeting about the WiredWest project.
Magi directed Young to send a memo to all departments to come up with a long range plan using the sample from the Finance Committee. She, too, noted that rather than being just a wish list this must be for real needs over the next ten years, and that justification for the requests must be included. Magi set September 15, 2015 as the deadline to submit the plans.
7. **Surplus Property Declaration**—Young explained that there were some items that he wanted to have the Board declare as surplus property.
Pruyne MOVED to declare as surplus property: a broken ATT microcell, five aged computers running Linux, and used Cambium 900 access points. Arguimbau SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.
Ruggiero asked how the computers would be sold, to which Young replied he would have people make written offers. Ruggiero expressed interest in purchasing one of the computers, and Young said that the residents of Warwick will be notified of the surplus property's availability.
8. **Switch WiredWest Delegate and Alternate**—Young said that Tom Wyatt and John Bradford wished to switch places with respect to the Town's representation to WiredWest. Currently, Bradford is the Delegate and Wyatt is the Alternate.
Arguimbau MOVED to appoint Tom Wyatt Delegate and John Bradford Alternate to WiredWest. Pruyne SECONDED. Motion CARRIED 3-0-0.
9. **Selectboard Reports**—Arguimbau pointed out that this agenda did not include a letter to WiredWest, and said that we need to get a draft to keep moving things along and not be the ones stalling here. Broadband Committee Chair Tom Wyatt said that nothing formal had been prepared for the Board's meeting packet, but that he had attended a recent WiredWest meeting in Wendell, and also, as a result of the last Selectboard meeting, a list of questions was sent and answers were received. Wyatt went on to say that he and Young went through a draft letter for the Board after last Thursday's Broadband Committee meeting. Wyatt handed out both a list of questions sent as well as a draft of more questions to be asked.

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Young said that we are not dragging our feet, but must proceed with caution. Wyatt said that he favored the Board drafting a letter to the Director of MBI stating that we have been waiting for critical information to bring to the voters. Young said that he has been talking with Royalston's broadband representative about that town's plan to deploy a wireless hybrid fiber network. He noted that Hawley was trying to get additional state funding because it is a small town, and that Warwick could try that tack as well. Wyatt said that the Broadband Committee is still pursuing WiredWest to get a clearer picture of the project's budget plan.

John Bradford said that he thought WiredWest is putting very stretched resources to issues they feel need to be addressed first, and noted that this is a huge project that has overextended the staff because the volume of work requires more people than they have on staff. Pruyne favored sending them a letter to let them know that we are still looking for more answers. Bradford said that WiredWest is talking about putting together a subgroup of towns as a cooperative to apply for bonds. Wyatt wanted information from MBI with respect to revised budget figures as well as more specific questions for WiredWest. Arguimbau noted that the list of additional questions did not include any of his suggestions; neither Wyatt nor Young were able to open the attachment to Arguimbau's Email detailing those suggestions. Wyatt said as WiredWest delegates he and Bradford will continue to pursue this, and Young said it will be placed on the next agenda.

Pruyne reported that the Firemen's Association chicken barbeque was a roaring success with great food and a great turnout.

- 10. Coordinator Report**—Magi asked Young about the bill in the Massachusetts House that would allow towns to grant property tax exemptions of up to \$2,500.00 each to volunteer and call firefighters and EMT's. Young said that this would be an unfunded mandate, which would have the same effect on the budget as an expense. He said that we have between twelve and fifteen firefighters and EMT's. Lyman said that he found the intent to recognize the effort and time volunteer firefighters put in admirable, but it may not be viable for this town.

Young said that a CDBG award will allow for up to three projects in Warwick for housing rehabs to address health and sanitary code violations. He also noted that a proposed change to the public records law may be difficult for small towns without much staff because of an unfunded mandate portion that would no longer allow towns to recoup costs incurred. Young said that he had spoken with Representative Lee, who said that she would contact him to speak more at length about this issue. Arguimbau said that he generally favored an open government bill in an era of closed government, but that we need to find a way to make it work. Pruyne concurred, as he also appreciated open government but that we need a way to mitigate the cost to the Town. Magi said that she would be in favor as long as there were a way to recover the costs, as small towns cannot continue to support unfunded mandates.

Young said that the Seaboard Solar project may be up and running by January of 2016, which could result in an annual revenue of about \$32,000.00. He said that he will meet this week to discuss net metering credits that will help us save on our electricity bills, and will report back to the Board at the next meeting.

- 11. New and Other Business Unanticipated at Time of Meeting Posting**—Kim Smith asked if the Board had heard from Highway Superintendent Larry Delaney regarding the painted lines and tree limbs issues on Wendell Road. Magi said that Delaney had reported that he found a couple of discrepancies in the lines and had arranged for these to be corrected, but had said nothing about the tree limbs. She said she would have Delaney contact Smith directly on both matters. Smith said that there were two areas where the lane measured 7 feet 6 inches, and not 9 feet. She went on to say that her SUV measures 7 feet 6 inches, and with non-retractable side mirrors it measures 8 feet wide. Young, then Magi, both said that the road would have to be closed, to which Smith replied "we will see you in court again". Ruggiero said that it was a dangerous area where someone could get killed, and Young said that is why we would close the road. From his cell phone Young read aloud Delaney's Email, which dealt with the lines but not the tree limbs. Smith stated that the lines were in error and that they are too quick to say that they will close the road that leads to her business, and that she was prepared to hire an attorney to fix this. Young pointed out that road closures are the purview of the Police Chief. Wyatt suggested contacting the Tree Warden about the branches and low hanging limbs.

IV. Adjournment

At 7:42 p.m., Arguimbau *MOVED* to adjourn. Pruyne *SECONDED*. Motion *CARRIED* 3-0-0.

WARWICK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Daily Activity Log
JULY 2015

<u>DATE:</u>	<u>TIME:</u>	<u>LOCATION:</u>	<u>TYPE OF CALL</u>
7/1/2015	1532	Wendell Road	Paperwork service.
	1618	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1619	Wendell Road	Officer wanted.
	1715	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	2013	Orange Road	Officer wanted.
7/3/2015	0252	Athol Road	Medical call.
	1824	Shepardson Road	Medical call.
	2145	Richmond Road	Suspicious activity – investigated.
	2222	Richmond Road	Officer wanted.
	2302	Wendell Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	2318	Orange Road	Medical call.
7/4/2015	1102	Laurel Lake	Officer wanted.
	1143	Northfield Road	Report of illegal dumping.
	1720	Wendell Road	Suspicious activity – investigated.
	1834	Clubhouse Pond	Suspicious activity – investigated.
	1916	Clubhouse Pond	Suspicious activity – investigated.
	2034	Winchester Road	Investigation.
	2043	Orange Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
7/5/2015	0939	Athol Road	Alarm call.
7/7/2015	1421	Richmond Road	DMV. Services rendered.
7/8/2015	1614	Orange Road	Suspicious activity – investigated.
	1805	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	2049	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	2112	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
7/10/2015	1009	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
7/11/2015	1116	Quarry Road	Alarm call.
	1139	Northfield Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1510	Brush Valley Road	Report of illegal dumping.
	1720	Wendell Road	Officer wanted.
7/13/2015	1217	Winchester Road	Investigation opened.
	2340	Wendell Road	Disturbance.
7/15/2015	1503	Winchester Road	Follow up investigation.
	1525	Orange Road	Follow up investigation.
	1619	Wendell Road	Officer wanted.
7/16/2015	0946	Orange Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1025	Fire Dept.	Assist truck dropping off material for new Fire Station.
	1123	Dist. Court	Officer out at court.

7/17/2015			
	1725	Laurel Lake	Officer wanted.
7/18/2015			
	1541	Laurel Lake	Medical call.
	1733	Flagg Road	Motor vehicle crash.
7/20/2015			
	1212	Athol Road	Assist OPD with K9 track.
7/21/2015			
	1344	Winchester Road	Investigation.
	2218	Wendell Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	2252	Orange Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
7/22/2015			
	0724	Hastings Hts. Road	Paperwork service.
	0850	Gale Road	Tree hazard – Highway Dept notified.
	0906	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1217	Orange Road	Building check.
	1346	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
7/23/2015			
	0841	Winchester Road	Investigation opened.
	1136	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
7/25/2015			
	0841	Athol Road	Alarm call.
7/26/2015			
	1321	White Road	Suspicious vehicle – investigated.
7/27/2015			
	0721	Robbins Road	Officer wanted.
7/28/2015			
	0740	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	0910	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1247	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1340	Orange Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	2155	Pine Street	Check welfare.
7/29/2015			
	1036	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1203	Orange Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1249	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1258	Orange Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1625	Athol Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1654	Winchester Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	1831	Rt 78	Report of lost dog.
	2025	Wendell Road	MVS – citation/warning issued.
	2259	Pine Street	Officer wanted.
7/31/2015			
	1317	Warwick	Welfare check.
	1930	Old Winchester Road	Officer wanted.

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		<i>1</i> Sr. Mealsite 11:45 Library Open 1-8pm GUILD 1pm	<i>2</i> First Day of School- PVRSD Transfer Station 3-8	<i>3</i> Library Open 5-8pm Zumba 6pm	<i>4</i> Town Hall Gathering 10am	<i>5</i> Transfer Station 8-3
<i>6</i> Worship Service 10 AM Zumba 8am	<i>7</i> LIBRARY CLOSED LABOR DAY	<i>8</i> Sr. Mealsite 11:45 Library Open 1-8pm Zumba 6pm	<i>9</i> Transfer Station 3-8	<i>10</i> Library Open 5-8pm Zumba 6pm	<i>11</i> Town Hall Gathering 10am	<i>12</i> Transfer Station 8-3 Library Open 10-12:30
<i>13</i> Worship Service 10 AM Zumba 8am	<i>14</i> Library Open 10-4	<i>15</i> Sr. Mealsite 11:45 Library Open 1-8pm Zumba 6pm	<i>16</i> Historical Society Meeting	<i>17</i> Library Open 5-8pm Zumba 6pm Game Night and Potluck TCChurch	<i>18</i> Town Hall Gathering 10am Foot Clinic	<i>19</i> Transfer Station 8-3 Library Open 10-12:30 Third Sat. Film Series – Gold Rush
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