

REPORT OF THE ACTION TAKEN ON THE ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT  
FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING May 9, 1988

Prior to the commencement of the Annual Town Meeting, a brief ceremony was conducted by the Moderator, Helen E. Whipple, commemorating the first town meeting held in Warwick on this same date 225 years ago, May 9, 1763. The Annual Town Meeting for May 9, 1988 was called to order by the Moderator. The following action was taken on the Articles in the warrant by the 97 voters present:

ARTICLE 1: VOTED: To accept the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

ARTICLE 2: VOTED: to authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1988, in accordance with the General Laws Chapter 44;4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the General Laws Chapter 44;17.

ARTICLE 3: VOTED: To transfer \$1,516.40 from "State Aid to Libraries" to the Warwick Free Public Library Account.

ARTICLE 4: VOTED: To authorize the Selectmen to establish the position of Town Accountant, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41;55 and to appoint a Town Accountant for a term of three years, effective July 1, 1988.

ARTICLE 5: VOTED as follows under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41;108, as amended, to fix the salaries of all elected and appointed officials for Fiscal Year 1989, and raise and appropriate the following sums of money therefor, and further raise and appropriate and appropriate the following sums of money for the maintenance of the several departments of the Town and for other necessary charges.

AUDITING TOWN ACCOUNTS		2,000.00
BOARD OF ASSESSORS		
Salaries: Board	1,085.00	
Salary: Clerk	2,912.00	
Total Expense	1,540.00	
Total Assessors		5,537.00
BOARD OF SELECTMEN		
Salaries: Board	1,200.00	
Salary: Clerk	2,450.00	
Total Expense	1,475.00	
Total Selectmen		5,125.00
COLLECTOR OF TAXES		
Salary	4,368.00	
Total Expense	1,050.00	
Total Tax Collector		5,418.00
COMPUTER		2,180.00
CONSERVATION COMMISSION		\$ 195.00
COOK HOUSE		150.00
COPIER		550.00
COUNCIL ON AGING		
Council on Aging Director	100.00	
Expenses	175.00	
Total Council on Aging		\$ 275.00
FINANCE COMMITTEE		50.00
FOUNTAIN AND GROUNDS		100.00
INTEROFFICE SUPPLIES		\$2,675.00
MODERATOR		
Moderator: Salary	100.00	
Expenses	100.00	
Total Moderator		\$ 200.00
PLANNING BOARD		175.00

SCHOOL COMMITTEE: ELEMENTARY		225.00
SCHOOL COMMITTEE: REGIONAL		525.00
SCHOOL COMMITTEE: TECHNICAL		175.00
SHARED ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT		
Salary	12,000.00	
Total expense	2,275.00	
Less grant funding	-8,569.00	
Total Shared Assistant		\$5,706.00
TOWN ACCOUNTANT		\$4,200.00
TOWN CLERK		
Salary	1,820.00	
Wages: Election	950.00	
Total Expense	268.00	
Total Town clerk		\$3,038.00
TOWN COUNSEL		900.00
TOWN HALL		
Salary: Custodian	1,995.00	
Salary Clock	52.00	
Total Expense	3,360.00	
Total Town Hall		\$5,407.00
TREASURER		
Salary: Treasurer	4,992.00	
Total Expense	404.00	
Total Treasurer		5,896.00
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS		100.00
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUDGET		50,302.00
<u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u>		
CIVIL DEFENSE		50.00
DOG OFFICER		
Salary	200.00	
Expense	200.00	
Total Dog Officer		400.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Total Salaries	640.00	
Total Expense	4,260.00	
Total Fire department		4,900.00
INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS		
Salaries	600.00	
Expenses	100.00	
Total Inspector of Buildings		700.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Salary	5,500.00	
Total Expense	2,600.00	
Total Police Department		8,100.00

TREE WARDEN		
Salary	200.00	
Expenses	100.00	
Total Tree Warden		300.00
<b>TOTAL: PUBLIC SAFETY</b>		<b>\$14,450.00</b>

HEALTH AND SANITATION

ANIMAL INSPECTOR		
Salary	75.00	
Expenses	25.00	
Total Animal Inspector		100.00

BOARD OF HEALTH		
Salaries	375.00	
Total Expense	525.00	
Total Board of Health		900.00

LANDFILL ATTENDANT		3,432.00
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LANDFILL COVERING		11,700.00
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HEALTH AGENT		00.00
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<b>TOTAL HEALTH AND SANITATION</b>		<b>16,132.00</b>
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HIGHWAYS		
Department Maintenance	3,275.00	
Machinery	18,215.00	
Highway Maintenance	53,392.00	
Wages	73,161.10	
Snow Removal	38,153.50	
Total Highways		\$186,197.00

LIBRARY		
Salary: Librarian	3,750.00	
Library Substitute	100.00	
Total Expense	2,620.00	
Less: Library & Dog Tax	-1,516.40	
Total Library		4,954.00

SCHOOLS		
FRANKLIN COUNTY TECH.	36,810.52	
PIONEER VALLEY REGIONAL	119,453.00	
WARWICK CENTER SCHOOL	166,398.00	
Total Schools		322,661.52

UNCLASSIFIED

CONTRIBUTORY INSURANCE	15,140.00	
COUNTY RETIREMENT	10,605.00	
FELLOWS MEMORIAL FIELD	125.00	
INSURANCE: GENERAL	31,350.00	
INSURANCE: INDEMNITY	10,650.00	
MEMORIAL DAY	400.00	
OLD HOME DAY	250.00	
RESERVE FUND	10,000.00	
STREET LIGHTING	2,300.00	
TOWN REPORTS	900.00	
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	1,000.00	
VETERANS' BENEFITS	1,000.00	
VETERANS SERVICE DISTRICT	2,323.23	
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED		86,043.23

DEBT & INTEREST

INTEREST ON DEBT	7,000.00	
RETIREMENT OF DEBT	18,280.00	
TOTAL DEBT & INTEREST		25,280.00

A motion to fund the budget was made. The Town voted to appropriate the sum of \$706,069.75, and to meet said appropriation by the following:

transfer \$4,470.77 from Overlay Surplus to the Reserve Fund;

transfer \$2,323.07 from the road machinery fund to the highway machinery account;

transfer \$20,000 from certified Free Cash to the highway maintenance account;

and further, raise and appropriate from taxation \$679,275.91.

ARTICLE 6: VOTED: To set a mileage reimbursement rate of 18.5 cents/mile for officers and appointees.

ARTICLE: VOTED TO PASS OVER: To accept a by-law pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40;21 (13) which states "All Town officers shall pay into the Town Treasury all fees received by them by virtue of their office."

ARTICLE 8: VOTED: To accept any funds that may be available to support the Shared Administrative Assistant Program during Fiscal Year 1989, and to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a cooperative agreement as prescribed by MG. Chapter 40;4a of the Acts of 1984, for the Program's management and administration.

ARTICLE 9: VOTED: To accept and expend the sum of \$22,039.00 or such other sum that may be available from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Works for Fiscal Year 1989 Chapter 90 type construction as provided by Chapter 199 of the Acts of 1987, and to authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of 100% reimbursement of said amount.

ARTICLE 10: VOTED: To authorize the Board of Selectmen to apply for and accept state or federal grants, and to expend any monies received, as set forth in the appropriate grant application following a public hearing.

ARTICLE 11: VOTED: To create a special committee to be known as the Warwick Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee, consisting of three persons appointed by the Moderator, for the purpose of joining the Franklin County Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee and investigating regional refuse disposal, in accordance with MG. Chapter 4044a, and further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 as the Town's contribution towards the operation of the Franklin County Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Committee.

ARTICLE 12: VOTED: To authorize the Franklin County Technical School District to accept an Equal Educational Opportunity Grant (EEOG) from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in the amount of \$13,929.00, in additional educational aid for fiscal year 1989.

ARTICLE 13: VOTED TO PASS OVER: to raise and appropriate, appropriate from free cash, transfer, borrow or otherwise provide the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of widening, excavating, installing drainage and gravel, and constructing a cul-de-sac turnaround on Hastings Pond Road, a distance of .35 mile, to fund improvements to the road accepted by the Town under Article #3 of the November 9, 1987 Special Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 14: VOTED: To accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 40A:46, which raises the limit of expenditures not requiring public bidding from \$2,000.00 to \$4,000.00.

ARTICLE 15: VOTED: To rescind Article #9 of the May 11, 1987 Annual Town Meeting, thereby retaining \$20,000.00 in the Capital Stabilization Fund.

ARTICLE 16: VOTED: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,475.00 (\$3,145.00 tuition, \$3,330.00 transportation) for the Fiscal Year 1988 Warwick School Burdge to cover the unanticipated costs of a special needs student.

ARTICLE 17: VOTED: To discontinue all public roads in Warwick except those on the attached list of Public Ways.

The meeting was recessed at 9:45 P.M. until Monday, May 16, 1988 at 7:00 P.M.

The Meeting was reconvened at 7:00 P. M. on Monday, May 16, 1988 and the following action was taken on the remaining Articles in the Warrant by the 102 voters present:

ARTICLE 18: VOTED: To have the Selectmen petition the Franklin County Commissioners regarding the following County roads:

1. to accept a section of Route 78 between Hotel Road and Athol Road
2. for discontinuance of 1829 layout of Highway #11 (5th Massachusetts Turnpike) westerly from the White Road to end (thought to be the southwest corner of the Spooner house; a distance of about 3,000 feet, more or less).
3. for discontinuance of Highway #1, laid out in 1761, Record Book 0, Page 44, from the Northfield Town Line, perhaps along a portion of the White Road, past Balancing Rock and the Old Fort to its end, and retaining any portions of the White Road, or other town roads with the same layout.
4. for discontinuance of a portion of Highway #2, laid out in 1774, Book 0, Page 106 (part of which may be known as Round the Mountain Trail or as Old Northfield Road) from its intersection with the present Northfield Road at Wendell Road to the Northfield Town Line, retaining any portion of Flower Hill Road which has the same layout, as a Town road.

5. for discontinuance of Highway #6, laid out in 1822, Book 1, Page 194, from the last discontinuance of Spooner Road, easterly to the White Road, a distance of about 2,000 feet, more or less; also, the portion from Northfield Road westerly and northerly across Leland Hill Road to the 1774 layout of the Northfield Road.

6. for discontinuance of a portion of Highway #2, laid out in 1774, Book 0, Page 106, westerly from Gale Road to the present Athol Road, also known as Pedeman Hill.

7. to make Brush Valley Road (known on County records as Dubovik Road) from Orange Road to its end, a private road, publicly maintained, suitable for the passage of fire and police equipment but not to include snow plowing.

8. to request the County Commissioners to prepare a map of County roads in Warwick, color coded, with County number and layout date, overlaid on USGS Topographical sheets, and a second map showing discontinued County roads in the same form as the first map, but adding the date of discontinuance.

ARTICLE 19: VOTED: to take action regarding the following Town roads, with each road a separate action:

Road #	Name	Action Requested
1.	Hastings Heights	change mileage from 1.55 to 1.84 miles
3.	Royalston	discontinue from Tully Brook Road to Reil's driveway. (Paper Ballot: 82 YES, 18 NO)
7.	Wendell	change description from "to Orange Road" to intersection of Revere Hill Road". Add a new road named "Revere Hill": "from Orange Road to intersection of Wendell Road and Northfield Road, 0.25 mile" and change mileage of Wendell Road from 5.6 to 5.35 miles.
9.	Store	change name to Northfield Road and add 0.55 mile
10.	Soderman	discontinue (Paper Ballot: 87 YES, 8 NO)
13.	Sahw Place	change mileage from 0.15 to 0.12 mile.
14.	Wilson	discontinue the center portion from 1,000 feet southeasterly of the intersection of Flagg and Chestnut Hill at pole #10-733/5 about 50 feet past River's driveway, to the southeast side of Wilson Brook (which is about 1,100 feet northwesterly of intersection with Wendell Road), and change the name to East Wilson Road and West Wilson Road. (Paper Ballot: 78 YES, 16 NO)
15.	Flagg	discontinue (Paper Ballot: 76 YES, 17 NO)
17.	Shepardson	to make Shepardson Road, that portion north of White Road (also known as Spooner Road) a distance of approximately 1,185 feet, a private road not maintained or included in snow-plowing by the Town.
18.	Shepardson Place	change description from "to" to "toward".
19.	White	change mileage from 2.35 to 2.8 miles.

22. Mt. Grace Avenue change description from "from Store Road" to "from Orange Road across Northfield Road" (Store Road) and change mileage to 0.15 mile.
23. Leland Hill change mileage from 0.15 to 0.19 mile.
26. Hastings change name from "Hastings" to "Hastings Pond".
28. Tully Brook change description to a private road publicly maintained, suitable for the passage of fire and police equipment, to include snow-plowing as necessary.
32. Smith Road change mileage from 0.19 to 0.16 mile.
33. Whipple Place change description to a private road privately maintained.
34. Robbins change mileage from 0.80 to 0.55 mile.
35. Rum brook discontinue the center portion, starting 1,000 feet westerly from Richmond Road at the top of a knol just west of Black Brook to a point 1,400 feet easterly from Old Winchester Road, meaning to be the west bank of Rum Brook and changing the name to East Rum Brook Road and West Rum Brook Road, respectively.
36. Stevens Place change description from "to" to "toward".
40. Beech Hill omitted
43. South Holden discontinue portion from 10 feet east of Sammy Lane to end and change description from "to Holden place" to "to Sammy Lane", a distance of 0.22 mile.
43. North Holden omitted.
44. Wheeler discontinue 0.06 mile and change from "westerly loop off Orange Road" to "northerly off Orange Road to private way 1/2 mile long with one camp and two houses on it.
45. Paul change description from "to" to "toward".
46. Pine change description form "from Shepardson Road to Wilson Road" to "from Wendell Road to dead end".

ARTICLE 20: VOTED: To establish a revolving fund for self-supporting services of the Town Forestry Committee, as authorized by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44;530, and further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to establish this fund.

ARTICLE 21: VOTED: To accept the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44;67, allowing the Treasurer, on behalf of the Town, to contract with an employee to defer a portion of that employee's compensation.

ARTICLE 22: VOTED: To reappropriate \$19,504.20 of unused Revenue Sharing Funds to design and construct a fire escape for the Town Hall.

A true record of the action taken.

ATTEST:

Evelyn B. Fournier, Town Clerk