

Agenda
January 9, 2017
Warren Selectboard
Warren Municipal Building
7:00 PM

- ✓ 7:00 PM – Public Comment
- ✓ 7:02 PM – Library Article Clarification -
- ✓ 7:05 PM – Vault Bid Discussion/Award – Reta Goss
- ✓ 7:20 PM – Tri-Town Leadership Selectboard Retreat – Amy Todisco
- ✓ 7:30 PM – Summer Day Camp/summer Learning Program – Beth Petersen
- 7:45 PM - Budget Continuation
- 8:30 PM – Other Business

****Agenda Subject to Change****

Certificate of Highway Mileage
Minutes of Dec 26, 2017
Payroll Warrants \$26,584.63
A/P Warrants \$87,897.90

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Members Present: Andrew Cunningham, Chair, Bob Ackland, Vice Chair, Luke Youmell, Randy Graves & Clay Mays.

Others Present: Patty Kauffman, Dave Ellison, Carl Lobel, Ellen Strauss, Dayna Lisaius, Janice Cooper, Amy Tedisco, Sam (TV 44/45) & Cindi Jones

7:05 PM – Public Comment – None

7:06 PM – Library Article Clarification – The Library Commission came back to the Selectboard with the article change as follows: Shall the Town vote to change the name of the Capital Budget item known as Library Building to Library Building Improvements Fund. The Library Commission has no plans in the future to build a new town library building which the fund was originally set up for. It likes the Town Hall as its new home. There was some discussion on what is a capital expense vs a normal maintenance expense and what the fund could be used for. The Library Commission would like to work with the Selectboard on what future projects that the money could be used for. The board agreed on the final wording as stated above.

7:20 PM – Vault Bids – Reta Goss/Ellen Strauss - Ms. Strauss started off the discussion that she had gone out and talked with a lot of firms that have experience with constructing vaults. Many just did not have the time to bid for this coming year. There were 3 bids received from Ruggco, Warren Pieces and NECCO. The board throughout the NECCO bid which was the highest bid. The other two bids were a few thousand dollars apart. Both NECCO and Ruggco has had experience with constructing vaults where Warren Pieces does not. Ruggco and NECCO are commercial builders and have constructed vaults with all the state requirements standards and record standards that have to be followed. Mr. Mays commented that he had to go with a company that has experience in this type of building. Ms. Lisaius commented that the biggest concern was humidity requirements for record storage. The board agreed that it bid should be awarded to one of the firms that has vault construction experience.

Motion by Mr. Ackland to contract with Ruggco for construction of the new vault, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

7:25 PM – Tri-Town Leadership Selectboard Retreat – Amy Todisco & Janice Cooper - Ms. Todisco started off the discussion to the board about offering a one 6-hour course and a 1 month follow up to have all the selectboards work together with horses helping to build leadership and communication skills. This would be using horses as partners to learn about how each individual reacts with others to create a team building, communication skills with all of the Selectboards in the Valley. By using horses as partners, each individual interacts with horses to help each individual to understand themselves better in the form of communication and interaction with others. This creates a better working communicative relationship with the Valley boards to create a more productive teamwork effort to achieve the goals for the Valley as a whole. There is fee and they are in hopes of raising the money through a go fund me page to offer the Valley Wide Selectboard Retreat. Mr. Ackland asked how would you arrange for all the boards to work together in a format. Ms. Todisco commented that every board would be divided up working with others in this learning scenario.

They have had kid's camps and the overwhelming response to these retreats have had positive results. Mr. Ackland also commented that he has had another group approach him at the Planning District and they would do the workshop for free. Ms. Tedesco commented that they have met with Waitsfield and they are on board and are meeting with Fayston soon. Mr. Cunningham asked when they thought this might take place? Ms. Cooper responded by saying mid to late spring and would like to know soon if Warren would like to sign on to this. Mr. Cunningham left it that he or Mr. Ackland would be in contact with them on a decision. None of the board members were opposed to this retreat.

7:45 PM – Summer Day Camp/Summer Learning Program – Beth Peterson – Ms. Peterson could not attend the meeting but did talk to Ms. Jones stating that the District would not be asking for any funding from the Town to fund these programs. Ms. Peterson stated that the District will be funding these programs and thanked the Town of Warren for their support over the years to these programs. The board reduced these two-line items out of Town Budget which was \$4,500. The board felt that in the next month or two they would like to have the Warren Representatives to the Unified District Board come to a Selectboard meeting and talk a little about what was happening and answers questions that the board had. The Warren Selectboard all felt that the School was now disjointed from the Town and there was no one that taxpayers could go to directly and get answers to questions about the Warren School as when there were individual school boards. The feeling was they seem to have drifted way with no communication with the Towns. Ms. Jones will set up a meeting in February or March.

8:30 PM – Certificate of Highway Mileage - Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the and sign the Certificate of Highway mileage for 2018, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:35 PM – Approval of December 26, 2017 Minutes – Motion by Mr. Youmell to approve the Minutes of December 26, 2017, second by Mr. Ackland. All in Favor: VOTE: 3-0. Mr. Graves and Mr. Mays were not present at that meeting.

8:37 PM – Approval of Accounts Payable Warrants as presented – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the Accounts Payable warrants as presented for \$87,897.90, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:38 PM – Approval of Payroll Warrants – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the payroll warrants as presented for \$ 26,584.63, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:39 PM – Other Business:

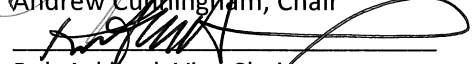
Planning Commission – Mr. Graves did want to say that the State has passed Act 174 which is an energy re-write to all town plans in Vermont. There is no funding available to help, but resources to help accomplish integrating this into the town plan. Mr. Graves commented that it is getting more and more difficult with all these State mandates being passed to towns, where most all of these boards are volunteers putting in the hours to accomplish these mandates. The general direction that is being seen is that these volunteers get burned out which the state does not see or care about as long as they can pass the work to municipalities. The State passes all these new laws, and then sends it down to the Towns to do all the work which puts it off their workload to do. This new law makes it very difficult because in one town they may not want it and in others in certain areas places of Town. Mr. Graves did comment that sometime in January there would be a draft of the Town Plan that Place Sense has been working on with the planning grant.


8:40 PM – Motion to adjourn by Mr. Ackland, Second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: Vote: 5-0.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by,
Cindi Jones, Warren Town Administrator

The Warren Select Board



Andrew Cunningham, Chair

Bob Ackland, Vice Chair

Luke Youmell

Randy Graves

Clay Mays

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Dear Members of the Warren Select Board,


First and foremost, we would like to thank you for your continued support of the Warren Public Library. We appreciate your attention and advocacy for this community resource.

At a special meeting held January 3, 2018, the WPL Board of Trustees met to discuss the town budget, specifically the Capital Budget line item "Library Building." We believe the fund was created by a vote of taxpayers at the town meeting in 1996. The wording of the line item in the budget has undergone a few changes starting as a Library Matching Fund to Library Reserve Fund and currently reads Library Building. The money was set aside in anticipation that someday Warren would build a new library.

Since moving to the Town Hall in the spring of 2009, the library has flourished and is an integral part of the village community and serves not only the town of Warren but the entire valley. While we do not expect the taxpayers/voters to support building a new library in the foreseeable future, there is a current need for improvement and remodeling of the existing library. We would like this fund to be used for improvements to the library and thus wording for the line item should be changed to read "Library Improvements."

We are willing to work with the select board to determine what improvements are needed and address the funding of these accordingly.

Sincerely,



Warren Public Library Board of Trustees

Patti Kaufmann, Chair

Liz Raddock, Secretary

David Ellison, Treasurer

Carl Lobel

Kimberly Reynolds

Shall the Town Vote to
Change the name of the Capital
Budget item known as Library
Building Fund to Library Improvements
Fund?

Cindi Jones

From: Reta Goss
Sent: Friday, December 15, 2017 12:02 PM
To: Cindi Jones
Subject: FW: Warren Vault Big

From: Reta Goss [mailto:rgoss@warrenvt.org]
Sent: Friday, December 15, 2017 12:01 PM
To: 'ruggcoinc@gmail.com' <ruggcoinc@gmail.com>
Cc: Ellen Strauss <straussarc@madriver.com>
Subject: Warren Vault Big

I told the gentleman who delivered your bid that I would email the bid results.

Warren Pieces \$97,200 in 55 days
Ruggco \$99,573 in 60 days
Necco \$127,721 in 150 days

Thank you for time and considering our project.

Reta Goss
Warren Town Clerk