

Agenda  
Warren Selectboard  
Tuesday, September 11, 2018  
7:00 PM  
Warren Municipal Office

7:00 PM – Public Comment

✓ 7:15 PM – Arik Keller – Owner of Paradise Market, Sugarbush Access Road – Letter of Support – To become a State Liquor Store.

✓ 7:35 PM – Rachel Grigorian – Warren Village Landscape Plans

✓ 7:50 PM – Gene Bifano – Request for a VHF Radio

8:15 PM – Approval of Minutes of August 28, 2018

8:20 PM – Approval of Accounts Payable/Payroll Warrants

\$ 89,095.52

\$ 8,044.60

8:25 PM – Other Business

Trees-

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

✓ Lisarius-Wedding- Covered Bridge

**Minutes of 9/11/2018**  
Warren Selectboard  
7:00 PM  
Warren Municipal Building

**Members Present:** Andrew Cunningham, Chair, Bob Ackland, Vice Chair, Randy Graves, Luke Youmell, Mary-Ellen Alberti.

**Others Present:** Arik Keller, Rachel Grigorian, Gene Bifano, Dayna Lisaius, Perry Bigelow, TV 44/45, & Cindi Jones.

**7:00 PM** – A moment of silence for all the victims of 911 – 17 years ago.

**7:05 PM – Public Comment** – Mr. Graves would like to mention the passing of Rudy Elliott a long-time resident of Warren who always had his shining light at town meeting and Selectboard Meetings.

**7:08 PM – Arik Keller- Letter of Support to become a State Liquor Store** – Owner of Paradise Market – Mr. Cunningham, recused himself from the discussion as he is the property manager for Paradise Deli and turned the meeting over to Mr. Ackland, the Vice Chair.

Mr. Keller is the new owner of Paradise Deli and is asking for a support letter from the Town for a liquor store. Sugarbush Resort has written a support letter for his application to the State of Vermont Liquor Control and now he is asking for the Town's support. He commented that people buy their liquor and groceries prior to coming up here and do not want to go another 10 miles once they are here and settled in. He explained that the State likes their outlets at least 10 miles apart as State Statute and he is 7 miles from the nearest one in Waitsfield. Mr. Youmell comment why do we want to go against the state statutes and set a precedent. What if the East Warren Community Market, or the Warren Store wanted to become a liquor store. Mr. Keller commented that he is building a business employing people in the Valley and would bring in more revenue to the town. He is not opposed to the idea if others wanted to but he is putting in the time with research and the application process to become one. Ms. Alberti supported the idea that it would be a valuable asset for the Reks, Hostel Tevere, Pitcher Inn that they could have a distributor right in town and not have to wait. Mr. Ackland commented that Warren was part of the Mad River Community with the Towns of Waitsfield and Fayston and Waitsfield is a designated growth center and did not want to take business away from the growth center as the Valley needs businesses. He was more ambivalent about the concept and wanted to look at both sides of the equation. Mr. Graves commented that this is uncharted waters for the Town and that the community was not just The Town of Warren. Mr. Keller commented why is it so different it was a restaurant? The board commented that there are enough people to go to the variety of establishments around the community. The board commented that people see the Valley as one community and not Town against Town competing for business. Mr. Keller commented that he has put over \$700,000 into the business and wants to expand it and is providing employment and this would increase even more with a liquor store. The board commented that they want more businesses to come to the Valley and prosper but again this was something that really needed to be more thought out from the board. The board did comment that they would support a neutral position, but Mr. Keller was looking for the letter of support from the Town. The board asked how long would the application take, and Mr. Keller stated that it is a very long and through application and that it would months before he would know if the State would allow another liquor store being that it is under 10 miles.

The board thanked Mr. Keller for coming in to discuss this proposition.

**7:35 PM - Warren Village Landscaping Plans – Rachel Gregorian** – Ms. Gregorian had met with Ms. Jones to look at the downtown area for maintenance of the day lilies and for a design plan for the By Way Sign area and the triangle at the foot of Cemetery Road. In her maintenance plan she had planned on 2 days spring cleanup including weeding, raking, cutting down any remaining vegetation, and lightly mulching between plants.

Three visits throughout the summer months to ensure all beds are weeded and vegetation is cut back when needed. Two days fall cleanup with include cutting down vegetation and raking out. The design plan included creating a plan for the Byway Garden. This would include a plant palette, a construction planning plan and a perspective sketch of the space to showcase the design. Area 2, create a plan for the strip of lawn along the on-street parking starting at Roth Real Estate and ending across from Brook Road. This plan can include a planting plan or grass paver option. A materials palette will accompany the design showing plant options and paver options. The third area would be creating a planting palette for supplemental plantings in the Town Hall signage garden.

She would proceed with the fall cleanup of the day Lillie gardens and do phase one to design the By Way Garden and the triangle at the bottom of 42 Cemetery Road at a cost of \$825.00. She will have this for the next meeting and will have palettes of the plantings. The board talked about the area in front of Roth Real Estate and Mr. Cunningham, suggested that she watch how the plowing is done prior to working or designing that area for plantings. This would be a spring project.

Motion by Mr. Ackland to accept the maintenance plan and design proposal phase one design cost of \$825, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

**8:00 PM – VHF Radio Request Constable – Gene Bifano** – Mr. Bifano came in and discussed that he had asked the fire dept. if they had an extra radio but did not hear back. One reason he wanted a VHF radio was to be able to directly communicate with MRVAS, Warren Fire and VSP if they needed him to respond. The second reason was for life safety for himself if he got into any trouble. Mr. Campbell the second Constable has a car radio and he also has a portable VHF radio. The money was already budgeted but he was trying to save the town the money. Mr. Cunningham commented that since it is in your budget then he had authorization to purchase it.

**8:20 PM – Other Business**

**Green Mountain Engineering Invoice for Engineering Services on Main Street Design Flaws for \$2,442.00** – Ms. Lisaius asked the board where this invoice was to be paid from. Mr. Cunningham commented pay it from the Capital Town Planning & Development.

**Lisaius Wedding** – Permission to use the Warren Covered Bridge – Ms. Lisaius came to the board to ask permission to use the Warren Covered Bridge for her daughter's wedding closing the road from 5:30-5:45 on October 6, 2016.

Motion by Mr. Cunningham, to approve using the Warren Covered Bridge and closing the bridge as requested by Ms. Lisaius and waiving the fee, second by Mr. Ackland. VOTE: 5-0.

**Trees** – The Golf course trees have been cut but, in the town, does not want to set a precedence but to be clear and consistent. Mr. Ackland commented that in the future there could be tree pruning maintenance for trees that are in the ROW.

**West Hill Bridge** – the West Hill Bridge has been postponed for 2018 due to the Army Core requiring more input from other agencies. This is a very short structure of 12” but so far the state has made it bigger, longer and more expensive to the Town. There is no grant money involved in the project. The core seems to have no thought or regard about public safety, or the fact that if the bridge goes down, there is a sewer line attached to it. The Town will continue to jump through all the hurdles and be ready for construction spring of 2019.

**Town Plan Schedule** – The Planning Commission provided the Selectboard with a time line on the approval of the Town Plan process. Looks to be sometime in November for approval from the Warren Selectboard.

**8:45 PM – Approval of the Minutes for 8/28/2018** – Motion by Mr. Youmell to approve the Minutes of 8/28/2018, second by Ms. Alberti. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

**8:47 PM – Approval of Accounts Payable Warrants** – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the accounts payable warrants as presented for \$ 39,095.52, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

**8:49 PM – Approval of Payroll Warrants** – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the payroll warrants as presented for \$ 8,044.60, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

**8:51 PM** – Motion by Mr. Cunningham to go into executive session to discuss legal personnel issue, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

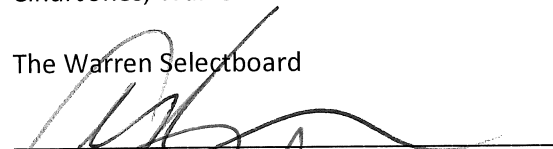
**9:30 PM** – Motion by Mr. Ackland to come out of executive session, second by Mr. Graves. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

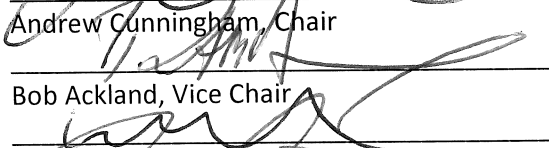
**9:32 PM** - - Motion by Mr. Cunningham, to adjourn, second by Mr. Ackland. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

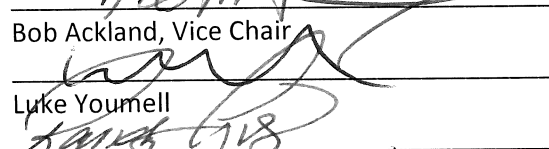
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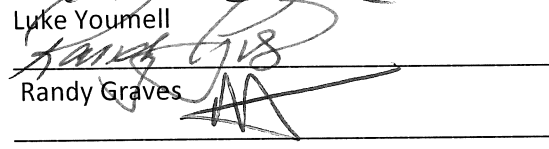
Minutes Respectfully Submitted by,  
Cindi Jones, Warren Town Administrator

The Warren Selectboard

  
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## Town of Warren Planning Commission

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Tuesday September 11, 2018

TO: Warren Select Board

FR: Warren Planning Commission

Please see below the timeline for the [hopeful] conclusion of the updated Town Plan. Though the plan should be in your hands in November, right as you are commencing budget time, We are sure it will be a document you won't be able to put down! Stay tuned!

### **Proposed Timeline for Town Plan moving forward**

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| Monday September 10, 2018  | PC edits reviewed  |
| Tuesday September 11, 2018 | Draft sent to Brandy   |
| Monday September 24, 2018  | Final Draft from Brandy – Brandy to attend meeting   |
| Tuesday October 9, 2018    | FINAL Draft  |
| Thursday October 11, 2018  | Final Draft of TP warned in VR for a PC public hearing on November 12, 2018. Notice to adjoining towns et al sent out. |
| Monday October 22, 2018    | Discussion with DRB + any other business   |
| Monday November 12, 2018   | 1 <sup>st</sup> Public Hearing of the PC proposed draft of the TP  |
|                            | <i>[If no further edits then the PC can vote to forward to SB]</i>   |
| Monday November 26, 2018   | Continued discussion with the DRB?   |

## Cindi Jones

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**From:** Dayna Lisaius  
**Sent:** Monday, September 10, 2018 12:19 PM  
**To:** Bob Ackland; Luke Youmell; Mary Alberti; Andrew Cunningham; Randy Graves  
**Cc:** Cindi Jones  
**Subject:** SB-new business

I would like to bring up new business at the SB meeting on Tuesday.

I would like to use the covered bridge for a wedding on October 6 from 5:15-5:45. I would block off traffic for that period from Rte 100 and Main street if that is okay. There will be approximately 60-65 well behaved citizens.....

Dayna

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