

AGENDA
WARREN SELECTBOARD
MARCH 26, 2019
WARREN MUNICIPAL BUILDING
7:00 PM

7:00 PM – Public Comment

7:05 PM – Jon Kaplan – Warren Covered Bridge – Status of Grant – Discussion
Discussion from Selectboard on status, repair, replace, costs

7:30 PM – Mad River Riders – Jerry Nonie – May 5th Ride – Warren Roads permission

7:45 PM – Hanks Brook AOP Culvert Replacement – Landowner Meeting/Questions

8:30 PM – Approval of Minutes of March 12, 2019

8:35 PM – Approval of Account Payable and Payroll Warrants

8:45 PM – Other Business

Agenda Subject to Change

Liquor License 2nd Class, Leisure Retail Partners
Liquor License 1st Class, The Reks
Liquor License 2nd Class, Mutha Stuffers
Roof RFP

Minutes of March 26, 2019

Warren Selectboard

7:00 PM

Warren Municipal Office

Members Present: Andrew Cunningham, Chair, Bob Ackland, Vice Chair, Luke Youmell, Randy Graves and Camilla Behn.

Others Present: Rachel McCuin, Alan Hartshorn, Jeremy Mears (US Forest Service) Corrie Miller, Perry Bigelow, Jerry Nonie, Jon Kaplan, TV 44/45, Katy (VR) and Cindi Jones.

7:00 PM – Meeting called to order by Mr. Cunningham.

7:05 PM – Public Comment – None

7:06 PM – Jon Kaplan – Warren Covered Bridge Status of Grant – Mr. Kaplan is from VTRANS that heads the Transportation Alternatives Grant Program in the bicycle and ped program. The Town was awarded a \$375,000 Grant for the Warren Covered Bridge and western abutment replacement in 2014. After D&K and all the parties involved in the process weighed in, the project the cost multiplied to \$750,000. This projected cost made it so that the Town could not afford to move ahead on the project. In researching through emails and conversations with various parties there was some unclarity on if western abutment needed replacement. Ms. Jones had done some research on the project with VTRANS, a historic preservation contractor, and a bridge contractor to see what it would cost for repairs to the structure and repairs to the abutment other than replacement. Mr. Kaplan commented that it could be possible to change the scope of the project and would check with his environmental section on NEPA for a re-evaluation. He also commented that D&K would have to do some work updating the plans on repair vs. the replacement as what was submitted. The Town would have to hire a construction inspector, go out to bid and assign or hire someone to manage the project. Mr. Simpson was originally the project manger assigned to the project. Mr. Kaplan would send over the form assignment that the Town would have to fill out to assign someone as a project manager. Ms. Jones will also get in touch with Mr. Duffy at D&K who is now handling the project since the previous project engineer is no longer at D&K to see what has to be done and the cost. Ms. Jones commented that the Town has the HMPG wall project on the western side of the bridge that has to be done this year and would like to have it all be done together, so that the wall would not have to be taken down to work on the abutment after it was completed. That HMPG grant money expires this year. The board agreed to move ahead with the project with the information that Mr. Kaplan provided that the scope could be change.

7:30 PM – Mad River Riders – May 5th Mountain Bike Ride – Gravel Grinder - Warren Roads Permission – Mr. Nonie came before to the board to ask permission to use Warren's road for the Mad River Riders fund raiser. They currently have 52 signed up and hope to have at least 100 riders participate. It starts at Lawson's, to RT 17, to Marble Hill, Sugar Run, German Flats, Golf Course, West Hill, Lincoln Gap, south on RT 100, to Main Street, Fuller Hill Road, Alpine, Prickly, Senior, E. Warren Road, Cider Hill to Sherman RD down to the Common Rd and back to Lawson's. The complete course is 30 miles. The Mad River Riders will need to fill out a Festival permit.

Motion by Mr. Cunningham to approve the mountain bike event, for May 5, 2019, second by Mr. Ackland. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

7:40 PM – Other Business:

LOT Information – Mr. Ackland commented that there are two bills in the legislature being proposed. One is Bill S106 Towns working together as self-governance. The other is proposed by Kari Dolan moving the split from 70/30 to 90/10 for receiving towns under the population of 3,000. That would not work for the Valley as the population would be over 3,000. Mr. Ackland did not think that anything would happen this year on these bills. As a result, the LOT Committee came back to creating a draft agreement to create a Tri-Town Local Option Tax Memorandum of Understanding. Mr. Ackland passed out the draft of this MOU for the other board members to read and comment about at a later date.

Planning District – The Mad River Planning District discussed doing a housing needs assessment of the Valley Towns. A firm by the name of Doug Kennedy Associates has done various projects in the Valley and just completed one in Lamoille County. The Planning District is asking if each town would contribute \$1,000 towards the cost with the Planning District picking up the remaining amount. Mr. Cunningham inquired how long it would take for them to complete the assessment. Mr. Ackland commented in 6-8 weeks the Planning District would have a report for the Towns.

Motion by Mr. Cunningham to approve spending the \$1,000 from the Capital Account, Town Planning and Development, contingent upon the Towns of Waitsfield and Fayston contributing a \$1,000, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

Town Website – Mr. Ackland commented that he was notified that there are no PC or DRB Minutes or Agenda's on the website to meet the statutes. Mr. Graves would check in with the Zoning Administrator concerning this.

7:45 PM – Hanks Brook AOP Culvert Replacement – Landowner Meeting/ Questions - Ms. Miller started off the discussion of how the project came about and the funding from the Green Mountain National Forest. A study was done with the Flood, Fish & Friend Roads program on this AOP culvert and was engineered in 2016 so it could move forward for construction. The culvert was chosen because it was undersized, has deterioration and it was listed on the Green Mountain National Forests sites for aquatic organism passage. The project is located on Lincoln Gap Road at the Hanks Brook. There were 7 landowners that included the two that directly effects that own property above the culvert. The project was bid out as an option for a temporary bridge or a 30-day road closure. Ms. McQuin asked what the Town would do for the landowners above the project as far as access to their homes. Would they provide a foot bridge like the last one? She was also concerned about emergency access for fire or ambulance as there is also a home above her that has two little children. Mr. Ackland commented that she brought up a good point especially if the project went out longer than 30 days. She also commented that if the Town closes the road that they needed to close/barricade it at the top as people just can't read road closed signs.

Previously when the Atkins Brook Culvert was constructed and signs were put up, people would come over the mountain and turn around in her driveway. Mr. Hartshorn asked if the temporary bridge will hold a log truck carrying logs? Mr. Cunningham commented that he may have to work around the construction time. Mr. Mears from the Green Mountain National Forest commented that they do have a logging bridge that would be rated to hold the weight but was not sure of the timing but would try to obtain that one. Mr. Hartshorn also commented that he felt it was not deteriorated and it was one of the better galvanized culverts. Mr. Mears commented that it is undersized and perched so the aquatic organisms cannot get up the stream. Mr. Hartshorn felt that the money could be used elsewhere for other failing culverts. Mr. Cunningham replied that this was Green Mountain National Forest grant money that everyone pays into with taxes not just Warren Taxpayers and if Warren doesn't use it, it would go to some other town.

Motion by Mr. Ackland to include adding to the construction a temporary bridge, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:20 PM – Approval of Payroll Warrants – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the payroll warrants as presented for \$23,777.01, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:21 PM – Approval of Accounts Payable Warrants – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the accounts payable warrants as presented for \$ 99,604.95, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:23 PM – Approval of Minutes from March 12, 2019 – Motion by Mr. Youmell to approve the Minutes of March 12, 2019, second by Ms. Behn. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

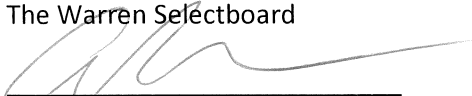
8:25 PM – Approval of Liquor License Renewal for Leisure Retail Partners – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the Liquor License Renewal for Leisure Retail Partners, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:27 PM – Approval of Liquor License Renewal First Class, The Reks and Second Class Muther Stuffers (Matti Corp) – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the First- and Second-class liquor license renewals for the Reks and Muther Stuffers (Matti Corp), second by Ms. Behn. All in Favor: 5-0.

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

Minutes Submitted by,
Cindi Jones, Warren Town Administrator

The Warren Selectboard

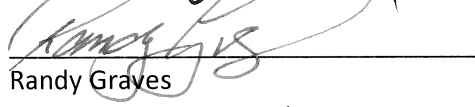


Andrew Cunningham, Chair

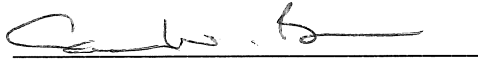
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