

Agenda
Warren Selectboard
January 12, 2021
VIA Zoom
6:00 PM

6:00 PM – Public Comment

6:10 PM – Covid Update – Jeff Campbell

6:30 PM – Budget Preparation for Publication/Town Meeting/Etc.

6:45 PM – Wastewater Budget -

7:00 PM – Executive Session – Personnel

Other Business

Minutes of December 29, 2020

Agenda Subject to Change

Payroll warrants \$37,187.83

AP warrants \$26,685.93 + \$33,351.19 =

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Minutes of January 12, 2021

Warren Selectboard

6:00 PM VIA ZOOM

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

Others Present: Jeff Campbell, Tony (TV 44/45) Andrew Bombard, Lisa Loomis, & Hadley Laskowski.

6:00 PM – Public Comment – None

6:05 PM – Covid-19 Update: Jeff Campbell

Total Cases: 9,247

Cases statewide in the last 14 days: 2,045

Total Probable Cases: 238

Currently Hospitalized: 51 with 10 in the ICU

Positive Active Cases in Washington County in the last 14 days: 88

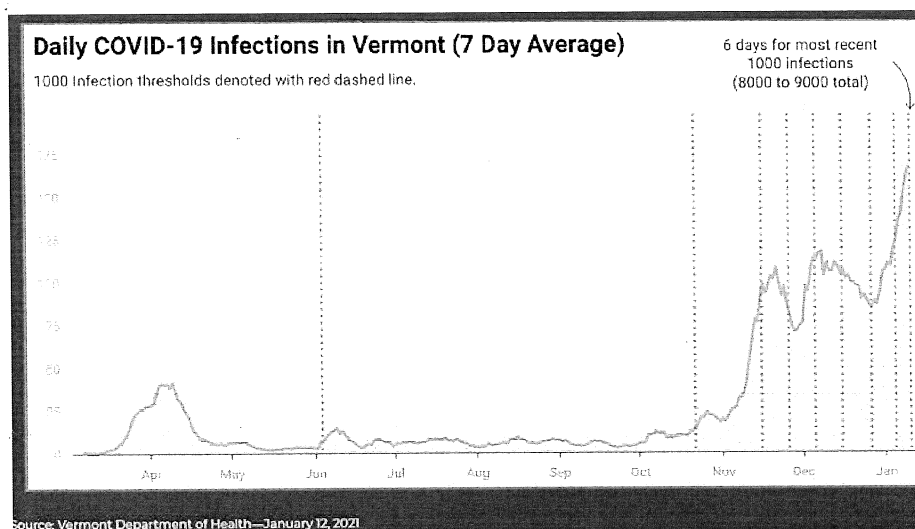
Total Cases in Washington County since the beginning: 872

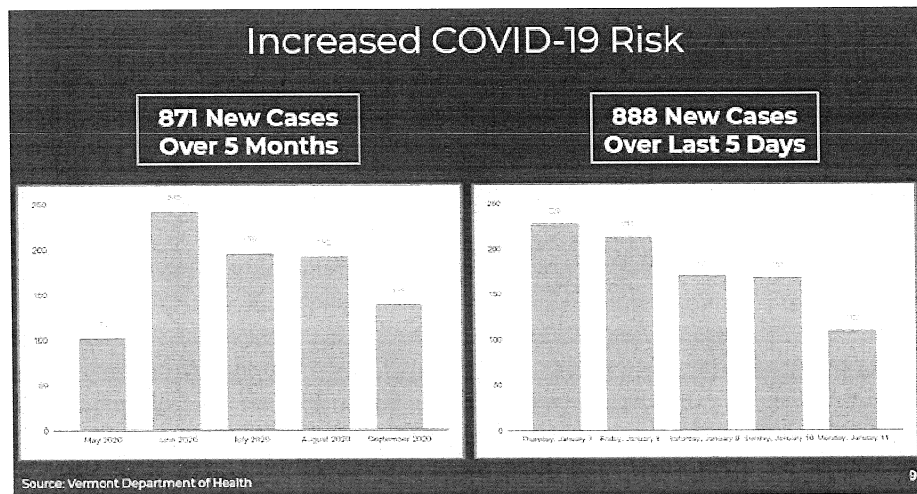
Deaths: 158 with 28 in the last 14 days

Total People Tested: 280,173

Total Tests: 767,325

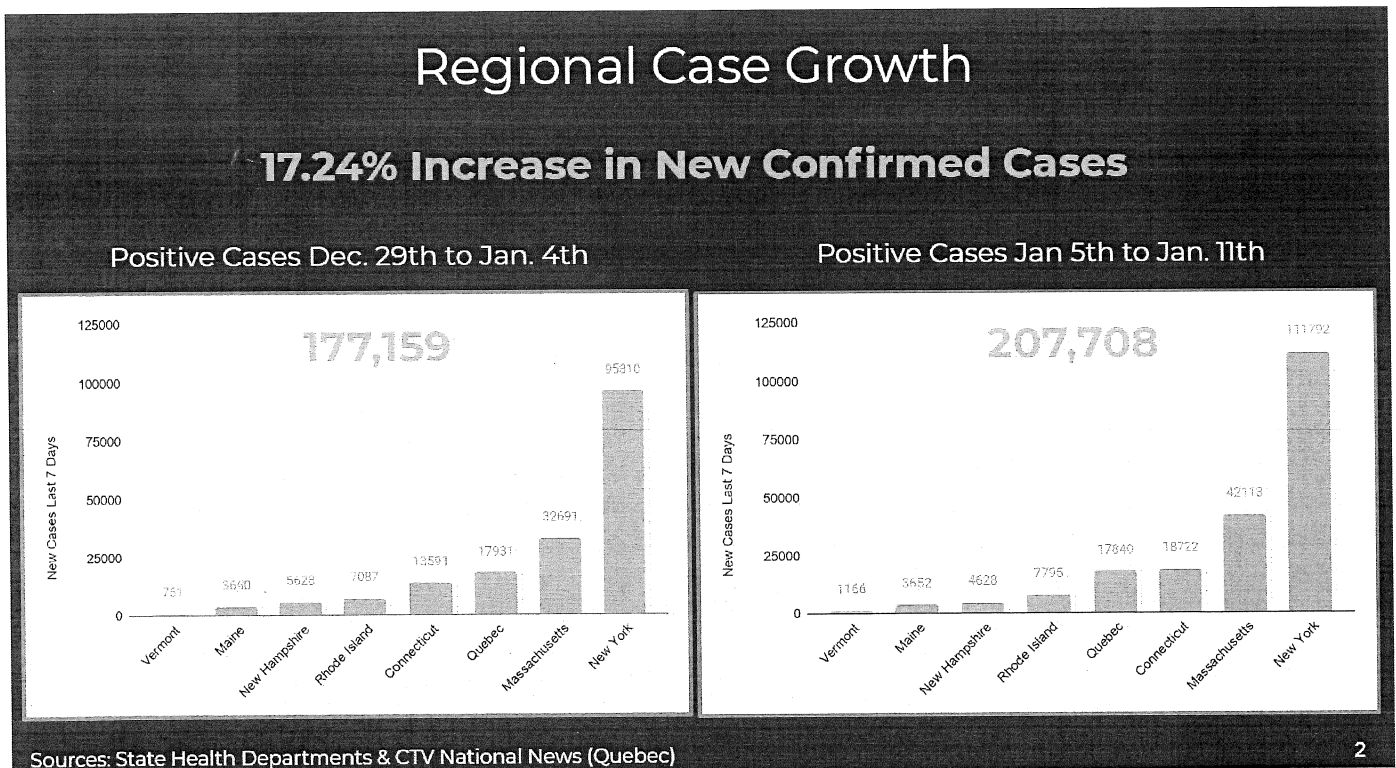
Tested in the last 14 days: 79,938





Numbers of concern

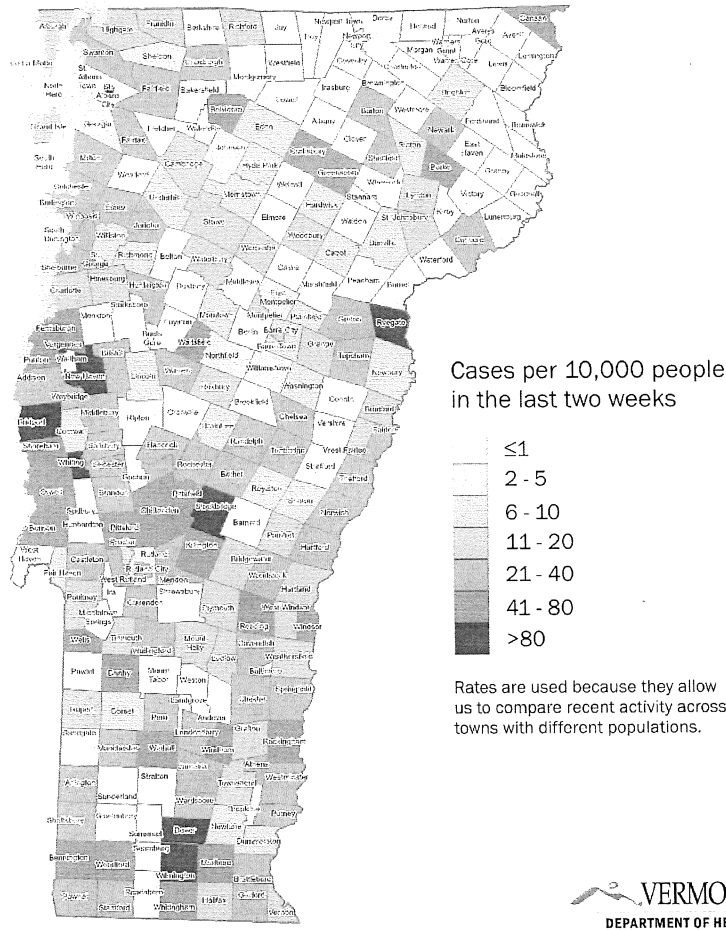
- Nationwide has 22,620,000 with nearly 376,000 deaths
- Nearly 250,000 cases daily nationally
- Nearly 3,000 people a day passes away from the virus
- 5 states are over 1 million cases
- NY has 1,150,000 cases an increase of 214,000
- MA has 433,000 cases an increase of 76,000
- NH has 52,300 cases an increase of 10,500
- Maine has 30,300 cases an increase of 8,000



Cases

- Current cases counts in the area as of 1/6/21
 - Warren 17, an increase of 5 in the past two weeks
 - Waitsfield 23, an increase of 7 in the past two weeks
 - Moretown 19
 - Fayston less than 5
 - Waterbury 65

Rate of Vermonters with COVID-19 by Town in the Last Two Weeks
Data from 12/24/2020 to 01/06/2021



Town Counts from 03/05/20 to 01/06/2021

Burlington 929	Barre 50	Fairfield 30	Stark 20	Montpelier 24	Rochester 8
Windsor 352	Keegan 50	New Haven 30	Wallingford 20	Cabot 24	Concord 8
Rare River 370	Barre Town 57	Washington 30	Wendell 20	West Rutland 14	Swanton 8
Concord 371	Canaan 49	Ludlow 30	Westfield 20	Sheldon 13	Wells 8
Coxs 317	Marbletown 46	Greenfield 29	East Montpelier 19	Levell 13	Wilding 8
St. Albans City 253	Dover 46	Hartford 28	Marbleton 19	Corand 13	Oliver 7
Hartford 241	Franklin 45	Hartford 28	Berlin 19	Chicopee 13	Franklin 7
South Burlington 243	St. Albans Town 45	Windsor 26	Chicopee 19	Barton 13	Orford 7
Breton 102	Cambridge 44	Chicopee 26	Hartford 19	Westminster 13	Concord 7
Island City 150	Manchester 43	Hartford 27	Hartford 19	Hyden 13	Lyndon 7
Island 142	Wilmington 43	Grand 27	Island 19	Gallop 13	St. Albans 7
Windsor 112	Barton 39	Poulin 27	Gallop 18	North 13	Jamison 7
Wilmington 84	Canaan 38	Wilmington 27	Phaser 18	Reaching 13	Leicester 7
Hartfield 65	Daniel 38	Poulin 26	Woodford 18	Eden 13	Dumfries 7
Hartfield 74	Frank 36	Island 25	Wallingford 17	Abbey 13	West Windsor 7
Sanford 91	Stowe 37	Daniel 25	Alderson 17	St. George 13	Stark 6
Montpelier 94	Windsor 37	Marbleton 24	Daniel 17	Topsfield 13	Vernon 6
St. Johnsbury 74	Shattbury 37	Vernon 24	Warren 17	Corand 13	Salisbury 6
Stowe 68	Concord 36	Hartfield 24	Chicopee 17	Farmer 13	Potter 6
Hartfield City 88	Richmond 35	Grand 23	Stark 16	Farmer 13	Phonix 6
Stowe 65	Hartfield 34	Windsor 23	Johnson 16	Fowler 13	Grafton 6
Lyndon 63	Barton 34	Hartfield 23	Middleton 16	Baldwin 13	Marbleton 6
Waterbury 63	Hartfield 33	Chicopee 22	Daniel 16	Hyden 13	Rochester 6
Stark 63	Orford 33	Windsor 21	Orange 15	Hartfield 13	Recess 6
Franklin 63	Underhill 32	Windsor 21	Stark 15	Brighton 13	Hartfield 6
Springfield 61	Andover 32	Thetford 21	Stark 15	South 13	Andover 6
Rockingham 60	Killington 32	Lamington 21	Albany 14	Coorand 13	Andover 6
Jencha 58	Hartfield 32	Daniel 21	Alderson 14	Panton 13	

Measuring Vermont's Pandemic Response

Rank (Lowest)	Positivity (7 Day Avg.)	Cases (7 Day Moving Avg.)	Hospitalizations (7 Day Moving Avg.)	Fatalities (7 Day Moving Avg.)
1	Vermont	Hawaii	Vermont	Alaska
2	Hawaii	Vermont	Hawaii	Hawaii
3	Alaska	Oregon	North Dakota	Vermont
4	District of Columbia	North Dakota	Alaska	Oregon
5	Oregon	Washington	Oregon	Utah
6	Maine	Michigan	Maine	Virginia
7	Michigan	Maine	Minnesota	Washington
8	Connecticut	Alaska	Colorado	District of Columbia

Source: Covid Tracking Project—January 11, 2021

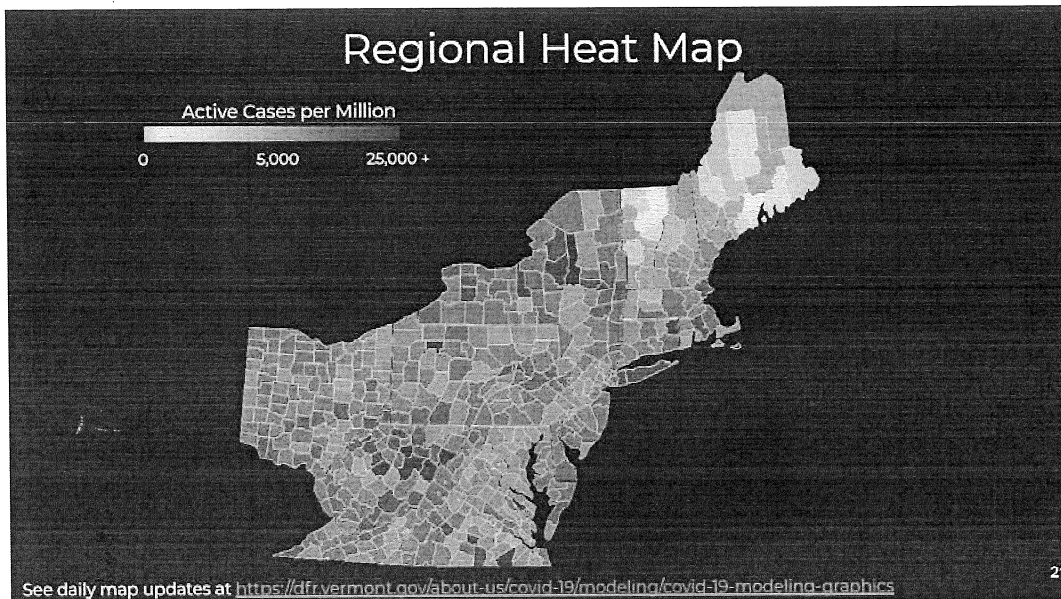
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Update on outbreaks and clusters

- There are currently 44 new outbreaks and 344 situations
- There are currently 532 cases among residents and 312 cases among the facility staff in Congregate Care & Living as of January 6th and numbers seem to be rising, with that said numbers should get better as vaccinations continue in long term care facilities.

Cross-State Travel & Regional Heat Maps

- The state has currently suspended the Cross-State Travel Map



Governors Updates

- No new Updates

Testing

- Testing remains a high priority especially with the past holiday surge. The State continues its on-demand testing with 19 sites a day throughout the state.
- Weekend Testing at Waitsfield Telecom Jan 17th, 24th and the 31st this month
- Testing continues to be offered almost daily in Barre, Northfield, Waterbury, Middlebury and Berlin.

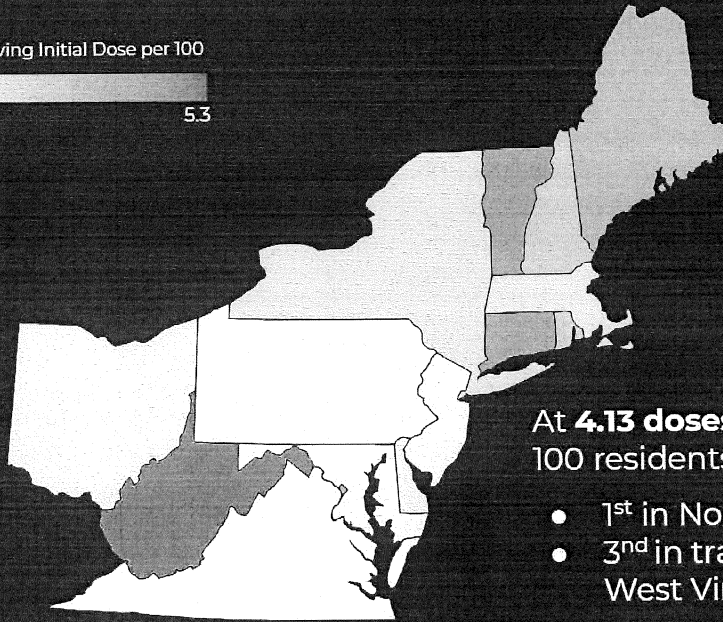
Vaccination Planning

- The Warren FD has begun its vaccinations. So far 7 of the 20 members have signed up for their appointments.
- Currently CVMC is scheduling 4 people per every ten minutes during their vaccination periods.
- The next round of vaccinations will be announcing Friday.
- At some point, there will be a POD (Point of Distribution) in Waitsfield.
- Vermont is 1st in the Northeast with CT for doses administered at 4.13 per 100 residents, nationwide VT is 6th in the country tied with again CT and DC.
- More than 9,000,000 have been vaccinated nationwide.
- The Department of Health is developing a vaccine resource webpage with specific vaccine information as it's released.

Regional Vaccination Map

Population Receiving Initial Dose per 100

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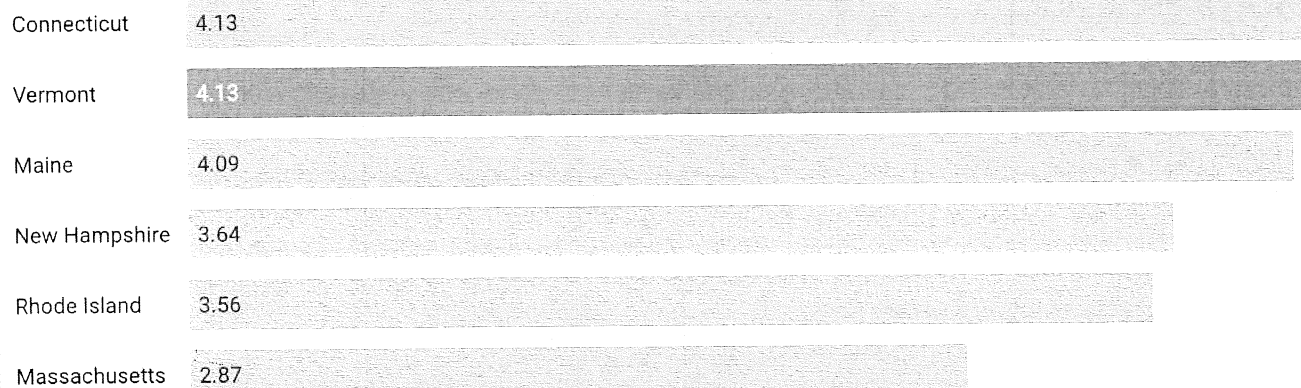
At **4.13 doses** administered per 100 residents, Vermont ranks:

- 1st in Northeast (tie)
- 3rd in travel region behind West Virginia & D.C. (tie)

Source: CDC—January 11, 2021

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Regional Vaccination (Doses Given per 100)



Source: CDC—January 12, 2021

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COOP Planning Update

- No update at this time

Closing Remarks

I would like to say how proud I am for all that the state has done to protect its residents. There have been times where people felt enough wasn't being done and at times too much was being done. This was a learning curve for all of us in state and local government. I would like to thank all of you, the selectboard and the other town employees for all their hard work in helping to keep the town "open" and running even without having direct contact.

The hope is if or when something like this happens again, we are all better prepared. I will add that with preparedness, comes education and we can all stand to learn more each and every day.

I would like to thank all those in the community who have done their best to follow the rules and help to keep themselves and the ones around them safe. Whether people want to believe it or not there is light at the end of the tunnel, and we will all get there together stronger and safer.

Ms. Behn asked Mr. Campbell about what is the age spread of the people who have died. Mr. Campbell commented that there has been 90 deaths age 80 and above, 46 deaths for ages 70-79, 24 for ages 60-69, 4 for ages 50-59, 2 for ages 40-49, 2 for ages 30-39. However, these deaths are not necessarily from Covid. An example was someone who had a motorcycle accident and died, they were tested for positive and were positive for Covid, so the state concluded that they died of Covid and reported it. Mr. Ackland asked where in the Valley would be the distribution point? Mr. Campbell commented that the most likely place would be the Mad River Health Center as they would need storage, freezing capacities given the time limit. At this point in time scheduling, distribution point has not been confirmed. Ms. Behn asked about when the vaccine is expected in the Valley Mr. Campbell commented that it is expected that there have been 54,000 state wide with about 25,000 already being administered.

6:16 PM – Town Meeting/Budget – Mr. Cunningham asked if anyone had any comments on the current draft budget. Ms. Goss had sent an email on regarding if the Selectboard wanted to mail out ballots to everyone on the check list or only if they are asked to mail them. The board felt that they wanted the ballots to be mailed to everyone on the check list.

Motion by Mr. Cunningham to mail out to all registered voters on the checklist, second by Ms. Behn. All in Favor:
VOTE: 5-0.

The board increased Ms. Goss's Election Costs an additional \$1,500 for postage costs which the state will pay some of that additive expense. Mr. Ackland commented that he has been working on the presentation and can't do anymore until the budget is finalized. The board also talked about public budget informational meetings if they should do two or just the required one 10 days prior to Town Meeting. There was some disagreement on whether the legal requirement was 2 informational meetings or 1 needed. The board did agree to finalize the articles on the February 26, and also have candidate's forum and have informational meeting 10 days prior to Town Meeting. The board agreed to have that meeting at 7:00 VIA Zoom instead of the 6:00PM time.

Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the budget subject to approval of the Capital Budget Meeting, second by Mr. Youmell
All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

Town Meeting Warning – Ms. Jones commented that the warning has been drafted by Ms. Goss and that she is waiting to see if the board approves the Housing Coalition Article for \$4,000. Mr. Ackland explained that this is being asked of the other towns and that it is to help fund the work of the Housing Coalition to meet 3-4 objectives that came from the Fall Selectboard Summit. The Housing Coalition are also asking the Community Fund to contribute that amount as well. Ms. Behn asked and what are they going to with the money?

Mr. Ackland commented that objectives are: 1) immediate need, 2) AUD program, 3) enhance the zoning in the 3 valley towns, looking at what parcels are available, what parcels could be used and what parcels could be bought. 4) Weatherization Program – how to make existing place habitable. The Planning District is looking at ways to how to support Waitsfield as Waitsfield is the downtown area of the Valley economically.

Motion by Mr. Ackland to add the Housing Coalition Article for \$4,000 to the ballot subject to approval by the Valley Towns (Waitsfield and Fayston), second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

7:05 PM – Approval of Minutes – Motion by Mr. Youmell to approve the Minutes of December 29, 2020, second by Mr. Graves. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

7:06 PM – Approval of Accounts Payable Warrants – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the accounts payable warrants as presented for \$60,037.12, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

7:07 PM – Approval of Payroll Warrants – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the payroll warrants as presented for \$37,187.83, second by Mr. Youmell All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

7:08 PM – Motion by Mr. Cunningham to go into executive session inviting Mr. Andrew Bombard to discuss personnel, second by Mr. Ackland All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0. 7:45. Motion to leave Executive Session by Bob, 2nd Camilla. All in favor 5-0

7:46 PM - Motion to create position of Road Crew Assistant Foreman and make a job description for said position by Bob, 2nd Luke. All in favor 5-0

7:47 PM - Motion to adjourn by Bob, 2nd Luke. All in favor 5-0

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by,
Cindi Jones, Warren Town Administrator

The Warren Selectboard

Andrew Cunningham, Chair

Bob Ackland, Vice Chair

Luke Youmell

Randy Graves

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