

Agenda  
April 30, 2013  
Warren Selectboard  
Warren Municipal Building  
7:00 PM

✓ Fire Dept

✓ 7:00 PM – Wastewater Approval for Bokay –to the Municipal Wastewater System

✓ 7:25 PM – Approval of Minutes from April 9, 2013.

✓ 7:40 PM – Approval of Accounts Payable

90,200.98

✓ 7:45 PM – Approval of payroll Warrants

23,344.78

8:00 PM – Other Business

✓ Town Highway  
Sewer and Water Partners

✓ Terra Rosa Liquor License  
Win Smith LTR

**Minutes of April 30, 2013**  
Warren Selectboard  
Warren Municipal Building  
7:00 PM

**Members Present:** Andrew Cunningham, Chair, Bob Ackland, Vice Chair, Matt Groom & Anson Montgomery.

**Members Absent:** Colleen Mays

**Others Present:** Alex Maclay TV 44/45 Alan Hartshorn, Peter DeFreest, John Goss, Nick Morehouse, Tom Eid, & Cindi Jones.

**7:03 PM** - Meeting called to order by Mr. Cunningham.

**7:05 PM – Warren Fire Dept. Check In** – Mr. Cunningham started the discussion off by asking the Fire Representatives to highlight their plans on E1, scheduling truck replacements, and decision on the consultant's bids. Mr. DeFreest commented that the scheduling of the truck replacement has been the primary focus of the department. Mr. DeFreest commented that department voted not to have a consultant come in as they felt they could do it in house. The department felt that they could save money and do the truck replacement schedule in house. Mr. Ackland was not convinced that with the communications problems over the last year within the department that they could come up and present without a bias opinion. The Town is willing to make the investment to have an independent firm evaluate what the department has and what the department would need in the future. The consultant would come in and evaluate the equipment, training, water sources, area of travel, calls within the past few years and provide a guideline for the department. Mr. Morehouse, newly elected president, commented that the truck committee looked at how the equipment performs, what needs repair and what they feel they need for a working draft of truck replacement for future years. Mr. Morehouse commented that Mr. Dave Roberts, City of Burlington Fire Operations came and met with the department and said "you guys have it dialed in for your truck replacements". Mr. Morehouse commented that they have a 20 year draft truck replacement plan for the Selectboard. It defines the replacement schedule, but not for a specific design showing the financial investment for the capital account overtime. They just have to present it to the members for approval.

**Training/Operations** – Mr. Morehouse wanted clarification on what is the end goal that the Selectboard is looking for. He commented that an informal assessment is a better guideline. Mr. Hartshorn expressed that the 200 hour fire course does not teach you how to fight fire; it is years of experience in different situations. Warren's Fire Dept a is volunteer department and many members do not have the time or commitment to put 200 hours into the Fire Fighter Training Course. Many of the big city departments are paid full time members and they train every day and have the luxury to do these courses. Mr. DeFreest commented that the members have had qualified training. Mr. Montgomery commented that the consultant's report would be a guideline on the process of purchasing operations and utilize it as a resource. This is a positive to give the fire department the tools they need to grow and be safe. Mr. Groom also agreed that it is a guideline and this should be viewed as a positive tool to move forward. Mr. Morehouse commented that he wanted to know what the end goal was for bringing other people into to do what? Mr. Ackland commented that any consultant that comes in will be a help to the department. Mr. Morehouse commented that every fire fighter has the opportunity to take the 200 hour course.

If the Town requires that every fire fighter have the 200 hour course, they probably would not have a department as all the members are volunteers. Mr. Morehouse commented that many of the current guys have been fighting fires for over 30+ years. If we have someone come in to evaluate, it should be more informal with a person that would work the department, go out on calls and go to the current training sessions. Mr. DeFreest commented that you don't have to take the 200 hour course but it is offered to those who wish you. Mr. DeFreest also commented that how much of the course really pertains to what Warren does. They all wear air packs whenever they go into fires currently. The course used to only be 50 hours, and then it went to 120 not its 150 hour course which is a lot of time for volunteers who work other jobs. Mr. Hartshorn commented that the course does not make you a fireman. It would take at least 3 fires a week to be good. It takes practice to know what to do and how to do it. Mr. Groom commented that the consultant would look at the department, budget area, over all training, and purchasing to help layout a direction. Mr. Hartshorn commented that Warren has more hydrants in the state other than Stowe not counting Sugarbush. In the years as chief he commented they had 3 new trucks in 6 years and in 10 years they had 4. Mr. Morehouse commented that they don't mind in having 1, 10 or 20 consultants come in, but what are you going to gain. He commented that he would like the Selectboard give them a chance to present the draft of a plan and that things in the department are turning around. There are new elected people in different positions and they need a chance to get their feet on the ground. The board was open to seeing what the department has for the truck replacement schedule at the end of May. Mr. Morehouse commented that down the road in the fall that they would visit the Selectboard on the training aspects. Mr. Morehouse also invited the Selectboard to come to a meeting to view the communications within the department and to do some training.

The Board thanked the Warren Volunteer Fire Department for their time, commitment, and years of dedication and service to the Warren Community.

Hydrant Problems – Mr. DeFreest reported that the hydrant at the Common Man has valve issue and continues to drain. Mr. Ackland commented that the spur was built by Sugarbush and there should be a shut off valve off the main Sugarbush Pipeline near the Sugarbush Inn. He was not sure if there was one after the hydrant but gave the Fire Dept direction on who they could call. There were no asbuilts built for that spur at the time.

Hydrant – Colony Road Development – There is a hydrant at the development that has a puddle of water all round it. Mr. DeFreest will contact the development association and advise them that they need to get the hydrant fixed.

The board looks forward in seeing the Fire Dept at their May 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting.

**7:50 PM – Bokay, LTD – Sewer Use/Allocation – Preliminary Approval** – Ms. Jones presented to the board a preliminary sewer use/allocation for Bokay, LTD for the subdivision connection to the Warren Wastewater System. Ms. Jones commented that the plans had been submitted to the Town Engineer, Aldrich & Elliot for site approval. Aldrich & Elliot sent back recommendations of changes and corrections to the plans and the applicant has sent back new plans with the changes.

Motion by Mr. Groom to approve the Sewer Use/ Allocation for the Bokay LTD Subdivision, second by Mr. Ackland. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

**8:00 PM – Approval of Minutes for April 9, 2013** – Motion by Mr. Montgomery to approve the Minutes of April 9, 2013, second by Mr. Groom. All in Favor: VOTE: 3-0.

**8:05 PM – Highway Financial Plan** – Motion by Mr. Groom to approve the Highway Financial Plan, Second by Mr. Ackland. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

**8:07 PM – Approval of Liquor License for Rodgers Restaurant Group (Terra Rossa)** – Motion by Mr. Montgomery to approve the Liquor for Rodgers Restaurant Group, Second by Mr. Groom. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

**8:08 PM –Approval of Liquor License for Leisure Retail Partners, Sugarbush LLC** – Motion by Mr. Groom to approve the Liquor License for Leisure Retail Partners, Sugarbush LLC, second by Mr. Ackland. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

**8:09 PM – Approval of Account Payable** – Motion by Mr. Groom to approve the account payable as presented on the warrants, second by Ackland. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

**8:10 PM – Approval of Payrolls** – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the payroll warrants as presented, second by Mr. Montgomery. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.


**8:15 PPM – Other Business**

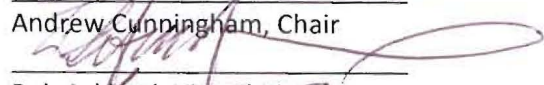
Green UP Day – This year Earthwise will not accept Green Up Trash for free. People may take the green up trash to the Moretown Town Land Fill for free. Earthwise will accept the tire and metal recycling. Drop off point for green up trash will be at the East Warren School House Market.

**8:25 PM** – Motion to adjourn by Mr. Montgomery, second by Mr. Groom. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.


Minutes Respectfully Submitted by,  
Cindi Jones, Warren Town Administrator

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