

Agenda
Warren Selectboard
Tuesday, July 14, 2015
Warren Municipal Building
7:00 PM

- ✓ 7:00 PM – Rootwork – Mac Rood – Updates/Sewage System Responsibilities
 - ✓ 7:25 PM – Mad River Active Transportation Plan – Joshua Schwartz
 - ✓ 7:30 PM – Access Road Scoping Study – Will Flender, Mad River Path – Grant
 - ✓ 8:00 PM – Sewer Hook Up On Town System Approval for Alice Cheney
 - 8:15 PM - Approval of Minutes for June 23, 2015
 - 8:18 PM – Approval of Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants
 - 8:30 PM – Other Business
- 53,363.71 17,737.03*
- **Agenda Subject to Change****

Minutes of July 15, 2015
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UNAPPROVED

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

Others Present: TV 44/45, (Sam), Mac Rood, Will Flender, Joshua Schwartz, and Cindi Hartshorn-Jones.

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

7:05 PM – Rootswork – Mac Rood – Updates/ Sewage System Responsibilities – Mr. Rood started the discussion off by updating the board on Rootswork's activities. They the expanded the kitchen upstairs, installed new fire doors on the upstairs, replaced the flooring in the mechanical room, fixed the floor joists and added a drain in the mechanical room and replaced the aging boiler. The next major project is clapboard the south side (backside) of the building.

Sewage Management – Mr. Cunningham commented that the Selectboard would like Rootswork to manage the system and contract with Advance Onsite Services who are an authorized dealer of this type of system. Rootswork would follow their recommendations on pumping the tanks and inspections. The Town would like to receive all reports on the activities. Mr. Rood commented that he was concerned that with the turnover of board members that this could fall between the cracks. Rootswork wanted the Town to manage the system and bill Rootswork for the expenses. Mr. Ackland commented that the tenant should manage the system and if any major expense such as control board failure, then Rootswork would notify the Town and the Town would make a determination on the responsibility. Mr. Rood would contact Advanced Disposal Systems to discuss if they would also manage the grease trap and pumping for the \$275.00 yearly cost. .

7:30 PM Mad River Active Transportation Grant – Joshua Schwartz - Mr. Schwartz gave an overview of the grant that was awarded for \$75,000 with a \$7,500 match. The match came from the Towns of Moretown, Fayston, Waitsfield, Warren and the Mad River Valley Rotary Club. Warren is the lead applicant and will administer the grant through VTrans. An RFP was sent out and four proposals were received. A selection committee rated each proposal and the SE Group from Burlington was chosen to perform the work as was laid out in the scope of work. The contract is in the finalizing phase and would need to be signed by the Town.

Motion by Mr. Ackland to authorize Ms. Hartshorn-Jones to sign the contract with the SE Group for the Mad River Active Transportation Grant, Second by Mr. Mays. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

V DAT Update – Mr. Schwartz highlighted that the Town received a \$275,000 grant for the side walk project. The Planning District still is working with Commence & Development on satisfying the award conditions. Mr. Schwartz commented that the project would consist of putting out an RFP for the engineering consultant for final design. Currently there is

conceptual design. The budget also includes hiring a project manager that would work with the Planning Commission, contractor and the public in addressing any needs. The Planning Commission has been tasked with public outreach. The project is in two phases: Design engineering and then construction. The design would be finalized in the fall or early winter, then permitting in the spring with construction possibly in 2016 but could be 2017.

7:40 PM – Access Road Scoping Study Grant – Will Flender, The Mad River Path –

Mr. Flender came back to the Warren Selectboard to answer any questions that the public may have concerning this grant project. The grant is through the Bicycle and Pedestrian Program administered by Vrans. The Path is applying for the grant with the Town being the lead applicant. The grant is for a scoping study of a path along the Sugarbush Access Road from Eurich Pond Road to connecting to the Sugarbush Path. The town did a preliminary feasibility study in 1987, but things have changed since then. The grant is only for a study for the feasibility of a path along the Access Road, it is not for any construction. There were no public comments concerning this grant. The grant does require a letter of intent signed by the town. There is a \$2,500 grant mach, which Sugarbush has pledged \$1,000 and the Town will pledge \$1,500.

Motion by Mr. Cunningham, as Chair, to sign the Letter of Intent, second by Mr. Ackland.
All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

Other Path Related issues:

The Path would like authorization to place a sign at the Kingsbury parcel, saying “No Vehicles” as cars are driving down to under the bridge. The board approved the request.

The Trail Easement around the Kingsbury Farm – The Path is now mowing the Path and people have been using it.

Park Bench – The Path has been given 3 park benches. Two for Waitsfield and one for Warren. They would like to place the bench down at River Side Park next to the Chase Brook Bridge that the Path built. It would require a concrete slab to anchor the bench as it is in the fluvial erosion zone. Mr. Ackland commented that he should talk to the Conservation Commission first. If they approve, then to come back to the Warren Selectboard for authorization and then they can apply for permits.

Top Gas Bridge – Mr. Rood commented still in progress and would check in with the Conservation Commission.

Other Business:

Bridge 166 – Lareau Bridge – Mr. Ackland commented that he attended the meeting at the Waitsfield Selectboard meeting concerning this project. The project is now 33 days from the 21 day closure period. The reasons are: the bridge is longer, ledge removal and a bike/ped path under the bridge. The conscience at the meeting was to try to do as much as possible in May and have a June start date. June first is the first available day by ANR requirements to start any work in the stream. The two businesses most affected did not want construction in July as it is their busiest time. The detour is a 10 mile detour that uses RT 17, German Flats, and the Access Road. At the first public hearing Warren had stated for safety reasons on the German Flats Road that construction should be after July 4th. The closure in July would not affect the Washington West bus schedule but moving it ahead to June 1 would. VTRANS is requesting that Fayston and Warren re-submit their letter for approval of using their roads during this time to a 33 day road closure. Mr. Ackland commented he would check with Washington West and find out their concerns if any before re-submitting a letter.

Mountainside Appeal – still unknown what will happen.

8:05 PM – Sewer Connection Town System Approval for Alice Cheney – Ms. Cheney has filed an application for connecting to the Town System as her system has failed.

Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the sewer connection, second by Mr. Graves. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:10 PM – Approval of Accounts Payable – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the accounts payable warrants as presented for \$53,363.71, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:11 PM – Approval of Payroll Warrants – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the payroll warrants as presented for \$17,737.03, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:12 PM – Approval of Minutes for setting the tax rate: Motion by Youmell to approve the Minutes for setting the 2015 tax rate, second by Mr. Mays. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

8:14 PM – Approval of Minutes for June 23, 2015 – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the Minutes of June 23, 2015, second by Mr. Graves. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

Other Business Note: Warren School Issue – Mr. Ackland commented that he attended the public meeting of the Warren School Board. Mr. Ackland commented that the public has lost respect and trust of the Warren School Board. The Warren School is a big economic driver to the Town of Warren and has an impact on people coming to reside in Warren. Mr. Ackland commented that he believed that the public was not heard and did not get a resolution from the board. A moderator would have been helpful in such a volatile and tense situation. He did not want the Selectboard to every be perceived as the Warren School Board.

8:20 PM –Motion by Mr. Ackland to adjourn, second by Mr. Youmell. All in Favor: VOTE: 5-0.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by,
Cindi Hartshorn-Jones, Warren Town Administrator

The Warren Selectboard

Andrew Cunningham, Chair

Bob Ackland, Vice Chair

Randy Graves

Luke Youmell

Clay/Mays