

## Minutes of December 10, 2024 Meeting

### Warren Select Board

6:30 PM

**Members Present:** Camilla Behn; Andrew Cunningham, Vice Chair; Devin Klein Corrigan; Kalee Whitehouse; Luke Youmell, Chair

**Staff Present:** None

**Others Present:** Michelle Bennett (Planning Commission), Perry Bigelow, Jim Crafts (Planning Commission), Colin Philips, Daisy Scarzello, Hilary

#### Public Comment

There was no request for time to offer comment.

#### Agenda Changes

A request from the Warren Arts Committee and a School Playground matter were added to the agenda.

#### School Playground

Rachel Gregorian had emailed the Board regarding a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant opportunity. There were several questions raised by Board members, and it was noted that the Grant Administrator position has not yet been filled and therefore additional assistance could not be provided. It was decided to advise that the grant may be applied for, but that matching funds must come from what has already been allocated for the playground; no further funds will be available at this point.

#### Mad River Ambulance Service MOU

Mr. Cunningham provided some background information, explaining that the outstanding service provided by the Service, even considering the exemplary management that is in place, is in need of continued financial support from the Towns in order to maintain the cost-effective volunteer organization's benefits. The MOU is proposed as part of the agreement with the Towns to contribute to the Service, based upon the percentage of population served. Board members agreed that the funding is necessary, but postponed signing the Agreement until the upcoming year's contribution amount is verified.

#### Short Term Rental Discussion / Document Editing

Review and editing of the draft STR Ordinance continued, with the following discussed/decided upon:

- Removal of Sections 7C(5) and 7C(6)
- Adjustment of Section 7C(7) to align with Town's Noise Ordinance
- Agreed that Section 7C(8) allows for remediation by an STR owner/operator
- No change to Section 8
- Removal of Section 9
- The violation process outlined in Section 10 will be edited to reflect what is used in Zoning or other town ordinance violations (as authorized through VSA Title 24, Chapter 59), including an appeal process – VLCT will be consulted before finalization; a fee schedule will be separate
- Fines for violations of conditions of the Ordinance were agreed upon at \$100, \$200, and \$300 for first and subsequent infractions
- A registration fee of \$200 was agreed upon, after calculating that this would cover both software and administrative costs for the first year
- Note a was removed
- Note b will be looked at to ensure it is in line with other ordinances, and VLCT will be consulted
- Note c it was agreed was boilerplate and could remain in place

- Section 11 was edited to state that the Board *may* adopt a new ordinance in two years' time

Mr. Youmell offered to review the edited document and provide the draft to both VLCT and Granicus for their review.

It was discussed that an agreement needs to be in place with Granicus by year end in order to apply the funds which were approved for this purpose at 2024's Town Meeting.

### **Warren Arts Committee Request**

There was some discussion of the total amount requested for replenishment of \$7700 in funds to cover recent programming, along with a request of \$2500 for the 2025 year. Clarifying information was needed, although it was understood that some funding may be necessary in order to support upcoming Holiday programming. It was agreed to contact Maria Burfoot for information, and to schedule a special meeting if necessary to consider approval of any necessary 2024 request.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Carol Chamberlin

The Warren Selectboard



Luke Youmell, Chair



Camilla Behn



Kalee Whitehouse



Andy Cunningham, Vice Chair



Devin Klein Corrigan