

**Minutes of August 11, 2026 Meeting
Warren Select Board**

Members Present: Harvey Blake, Devin Klein Corrigan, Jeremiah Kemp, Joel Taplin

Staff Present: Patty Begin, Town Treasurer; Jeff Campbell, Constable; Rebecca Campbell, Town Administrator; Kerry Newton, STR Administrator

Others Present: Jim Crafts, Lisa Loomis, John (MRVTV), Gary Kessler, Michael Miller

Ms. Klein Corrigan called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held in person at the Warren Town Offices and online via Zoom.

Public Comment

Nobody requested time to address the Board.

Agenda Changes

An Executive Session for personnel matters was added to the agenda.

Green Mountain Stage Race Festival Permit

Gary Kessler had provided a letter outlining steps the race organizers were planning to take in response to concerns raised at a previous meeting. Several of these plans were reviewed.

No parking signs will be placed on West Hill Road, Ellen Road, and at the municipal parking lot. Several details related to timing and other logistics were discussed and agreed upon. Other parking logistics, as well as other signage needs where racer caution is necessary, were discussed. The placement and timing of delivery of portable toilets was outlined.

A letter will be distributed to race participants once registration is complete, outlining the concerns raised by residents, parking information, notice of the new speed bumps in the Village, and other pertinent information. The Board requested that a copy of this letter be provided to the Town once it has been drafted.

MOTION: *Mr. Kemp moved to approve the Green Mountain Stage Race Festival Permit for September 4 and 6, 2026. The motion was seconded by Mr. Taplin, and approved unanimously.*

Town Hall Rental Agreement

The draft Rental Agreement and related fees were discussed, with edits being incorporated into the draft during the meeting. Topics covered included the hours the building is available, creation of a closing checklist form, occupancy limits (which will be confirmed by Ms. Campbell), and insurance needs.

Other Business

Town Garage Update – Mr. Kemp reported on engineering work taking place for piping to a new proposed well site; it was agreed to complete the installation of an upgraded screen at the fire pond.

MRVPD Update – Mr. Taplin provided an overview of recent PD meeting presentations, as well as an update on Future Land Use maps and Tier 1 options.

Schedule Pavilion Discussion – Mr. Crafts agreed to speak with the Planning Commission regarding their participation in this conversation; it was agreed that an initial meeting of a related committee would likely be scheduled for October.

West Hill Bank Stabilization Update – Ms. Campbell reported that the project is going well, and that there is likely another week or so worth of work to be completed.

VIA contract with Library – The contract provided by VIA for proposed improvements to the Library is to be paid for with ARPA funds designated for this purpose, but the Board noted that the contract needs to

be with the Town, as the Library does not own the building. The formation of a committee to discuss the work proposed and provide for community engagement was agreed to, with a Board member to participate as a committee member.

Executive Session

MOTION: *A motion to enter Executive Session per 1 VSA §313(a)(3)(B) [Personnel], inviting Ms. Campbell to join, passed unanimously.*

The meeting entered Executive Session at 8:57 pm and returned to open session at 9:10 pm.

Administrative Items

MOTION: *A motion to approve the payroll warrant in the amount of \$33,954.21 passed unanimously.*

MOTION: *A motion to approve the accounts payable warrant in the amount of \$84,999.00 passed unanimously.*

MOTION: *A motion to approve the minutes of July 28, 2026 passed unanimously.*

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Carol Chamberlin

The Warren Selectboard



Devin Klein Corrigan, Chair


Harvey Blake

Joel Taplin, Vice Chair



Jeremiah Kemp