

TOWN OF WARREN

BOARD OF SELECTMEN/ASSESSORS

April 20, 2022

6:15 PM Regular Meeting

Selectmen Present: Jan Macdonald Chairman, Wayne Luce Vice-Chair, Brent Pratt, John Crabtree, and Roger Peabody.

Absent: None

Staff present: Town Manager Sherry Howard, and Board Secretary Sara K. Davis

Call to order at 6:15 p.m. by Chairman Macdonald.

Item 1

Moment of Silence

Item 2

Pledge of Allegiance

Item 3

Public Participation

None

Item 4

Vote to Approve Selectmen's Meeting minutes April 6, 2022

ACTION:

Motion by Crabtree; second by Peabody to approve Selectmen's Meeting minutes April 6, 2022

Vote: 5-0

Item 5

Vote to Approve Public Hearing Minutes April 13, 2022

ACTION:

Motion by Crabtree; second by Peabody to approve Public Hearing Minutes April 13, 2022

Vote: 5-0

Item 6

Vote to Approve Special Town Meeting Minutes April 13, 2022

ACTION:

Motion by Crabtree; second by Luce to Vote to Approve Special Town Meeting Minutes April 13, 2022

Vote: 5-0

Item 7

Vote to Approve Warrant #20MV

ACTION:

Motion by Pratt; second by Crabtree to Vote to Approve Warrant #20MV

Vote: 5-0

Item 8

Vote to Approve Warrant #21

ACTION:

Motion by Peabody; second by Crabtree to approve Warrant #21

Vote: 5-0

Item 9

Vote to Approve Trust Fund Warrant #10

ACTION:

Motion by Luce; second by Crabtree to approve Trust Fund Warrant #10

Vote: 5-0

Item 10

Award Bid for Alewife Building

ACTION:

Motion by Crabtree; second by Peabody to take off the table

Vote: 5-0

Maine Highlands Contracting \$19,750 for metal, \$24,750 for shingles.

Steelman of Skowhegan \$9,500. For metal, \$3,850. For shingles.

ACTION:

Motion by Crabtree; second by Peabody to award the bid to Steelman Roofing in the amount of \$9,500 for Standing Seam roofing.

Vote: 3-2 Luce, Pratt

Item 11

Vote to sign Solar Power Purchase Agreement

ACTION:

Motion by Pratt; second by Luce to have the Town Manager sign Solar Power Purchase Agreement

Vote: 5-0

Item 12

Jason Tuorila, acting PB Chairman, presenting Sign Ordinance

Section 17 of the Land Use Ordinance covers very little for Signage. This committee worked on a new ordinance looking at local ordinances as reference. Town Attorney has signed off on it.

Board concerned on the Construction #11 wording only allows one sign. If there is a subcontractor they should be able to put out their sign too. Could strike that and have it fall under temporary signs. Board would like more time to review and meet with Jason on Monday April 25th at 5:00p.m.

Item 13

Meet with Jason Tuorila, acting PB Chairman, to discuss steps to updating the Comprehensive Plan

Planning Board would like assistance from mcedd to come up with an updated Comprehensive Plan.

ACTION:

Motion by Luce; second by Peabody to give Jason permission to reach out about having the Comprehensive Plan updated.

Vote: 5-0

Item 14

Review Pavement Marking Proposal

FineLine is the company that did our line stripping last year, they were happy with the job they did.

ACTION:

Motion by Luce; second by Crabtree to hire FineLine for striping Roads and parking lot painting.

Vote: 5-0

Item 15

Discuss ground repair at the Transfer Station

Steven Starboard will repair the portion of pavement for \$2,700.

ACTION:

Motion by Crabtree; second by Luce to repair the pavement at the Transfer Station.

Vote: 4-1 Pratt

Item 16

Review Surplus Town owned property list

Board was given a list of Surplus properties. Board agrees to place all out to bid.

ACTION:

Motion by Crabtree; second by Peabody to put surplus property out to bid.

Vote: 5-0

Item 17

Discuss procedure for Peabody Bridge replacement

Manager would like to know if Board wants to go with CES again for the culvert replacement. They handled the Sandy Shores Road project and did all the grant writing, etc. for the project. Board would like to invite someone to discuss it.

Item 18

Manager Report

Alewives plan was submitted and has been approved.

Sara wrote a Grant for Library Programming. That Grant was awarded from the State of Maine Library for Chewonki and Mad Science of Maine to come to the Summer Reading Programs.

Will be going in with Knox County for sand and salt bids again this year.

A Representative from PERC came to see Manager, he heard of a complaint from a hauler that someone was unhappy with PERC. She as well as the Board are unaware. Board would like to know if there are any changes to what PERC accepts. Would like to have them come down once and a while to update.

Town pickup is back from the body shop.

Sweeper damaged on Tractor, in the works to fix.

Manager contacted Union Farm and talked to Dan, there was a miscommunication. Usually when they are asked to rip something apart and diagnose they fix it. The Town would have been charged for the time to diagnose and put it back together if they hadn't fixed it. Board would like for a representative to come down and talk to them.

ACTION:

Motion by Luce; second by Pratt to have a representative from John Deer come and talk with the Board.

Vote: 5-0

Viking gave a quote for the siding on the back of the Fire station in the amount of \$1,800. Rob Bickford will do the work for \$2,000.

ACTION:

Motion by Luce; second by Crabtree to purchase material and have repaired.

Vote: 5-0

Steamship Advisory committee met at the site with Manager and Melanie Loyzim from DEP; she expressed interest in working with the Town on the cleanup of the property. Town Attorney Bill Kelly should meet with DEP to see what they want to see done by the Town to get this property cleaned up and what legally they can and cannot do. Alvin was impressed that it was not conversational, she had never seen the site and seems as upset as the rest of them. She stated that they would put it in writing that DEP would not hold the Town responsible, and to a new owner if sold. There is PFAS found on the property in a 2018 report. There may be additional grants available because of this. Brownfield grant would cover the lead in the building.

Item 19

Other Business with Leave of the Board

Pratt, Cemetery stones, when are they plan to continue with the cleaning of stones? Manager will get in touch with Mr. Stevens.

Crabtree, Speed limit sign by Beth's Farm? Manager, DOT has the information but it has yet to be done.

Sand, the property that they purchased behind the cemetery are we going to be using that sand this year. Manager, we don't have a way to process it yet. Cemetery Sexton's should check out properties to see where they recommend the Town add onto existing cemeteries.

Board will discuss budget at the Monday April 25th meeting as well.

ACTION:

Motion by Luce; second by Pratt to go into executive session 1 MRSA § (6)(F) at 7:54p.m.

Vote: 5-0

Item 20

Adjourn

ACTION:

Motion by _____; second by _____ to adjourn the meeting at 8:08p.m.

Vote: 5-0

Jan Macdonald

Jan Macdonald, Chairman

Wayne Luce

Wayne Luce, Vice-Chair

Brent Pratt

Brent Pratt

John Crabtree

John Crabtree

Roger Peabody

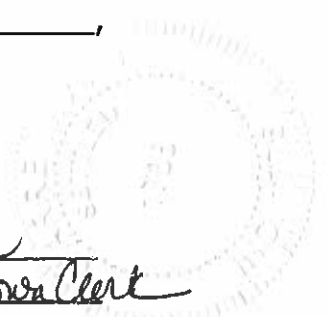
Roger Peabody

Respectfully submitted by Board Secretary: Sara K. Davis

Attest: This is a true copy of the Warren Board of Selectmen's minutes, as certified to me by the municipal officers of the Town of Warren, Maine, and adopted by the Board of Selectmen on the 7th day of May, 2022.

Date: May 5, 2022

Signature: [Signature]
Sara K. Davis



Town Clerk
