

**Town of Warren  
Minutes for June 18, 2019 Town Meeting**

County of Knox, SS.

State of Maine

**The Town of Warren Meeting at the Warren Community School June 18, 2019 was opened by Corinne Michaud at 7:06p.m.**

**Article 1: Election of Moderator - To choose a moderator by written ballot to preside at said meeting. Dan Davey was elected as moderator with 5 ballots cast.**

**Article 2: Election of Officers - To elect all necessary Town Officers as are required to be elected by secret ballot:**

One [1] member of the Board of Selectmen for a three [3] year term.

**Election results Selectman Seat #1, 3 year term, expires 2022 Brent Pratt was Elected with 171 votes.**

Two [2] members of the RSU #40 Board of Directors for a three [3] year term.

**Election Results RSU/MSAD #40 School Board Member, 3 year term, expires 2022 Julie Swindler was elected with 45 votes.**

**Mike Mayo started as moderator.**

**Hill was recognized by the Town for his years of service as a Selectman.**

**Article 3: To choose all necessary Town Officials for the ensuing year, other than those now required to be elected by ballot under the provisions of Maine law.**

Eight [8] members of the Budget Committee, six [6] for three [3] year terms, and two [2] for one [1] year terms.

**Motion was made and seconded to elect members to the Budget Committee one at a time, motion passed with a show of hands.**

**1-Motion was made and seconded to elect Anthony Jameson to a three year term. Motion passed with a show of hands.**

**2 Motion was made and seconded to elect Edward Courtenay to a three year term. Motion passed with a show of hands.**

**3 Motion was made and seconded to elect John Crabtree to a three year term. Motion passed with a show of hands.**

**4 Motion was made and seconded to elect Christine Wakely to a three year term. Motion passed with a show of hands.**

**5 Motion was made and seconded to elect Richard Butler to a three year term. Motion passed with a show of hands.**

**6 Motion was made and seconded to elect Mark Waltz to a three year term. Motion passed with a show of**

**hands.**

**7 Motion was made and seconded to elect George Knutson to a one year term. Motion passed with a show of hands.**

**8 Motion was made and seconded to elect Sandra Overlock to a one year term. Motion passed with a show of hands.**

Two [2] Fish Wardens for one [1] year terms

**1-Motion was made and seconded to elect Edward Courtenay to a one year term. Motion passed with a show of hands.**

**2 Motion was made and seconded to elect George Knutson to a one year term. Motion passed with a show of hands.**

**Article 4:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen pursuant to 12 MRS § 6131 to promulgate such regulations compatible with the General Laws of the State to govern the time when and the manner in which alewives shall be taken therein. *(Note: Municipal rights in existence on January 1, 1974, which are not exercised for 3 consecutive years shall lapse 12 MRS §6131.)*

**Article 4 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 5:** To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell surplus alewives for one or more years, or take any action relative to the same.

**Article 5 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 6:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for The Board of Selectmen for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0 \$43,520*

*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$42,520 **TYPO should also be \$43,250***

**Article 6 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 7:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Administration for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 3-0-1 \$255,944*

*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$254,944*

**Motion made to overrule the moderator to pass the Budget Committee's recommendation. Motion Failed by show of hands. 26-13**

**Discussion: Board was asked what the different amount was intended for. The 1,000 difference was for the Cemetery sexton and caretaker, 2 people. Hill abstained from the vote as he is the sexton.**

**Article 7 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written \$255,944 by a show of hands.**

**Article 8:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Clerk for The period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0 \$47,042*

*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$47,042*

**Article 8 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 9:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Assessing for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0 \$50,800*

*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$50,800*

**Article 9 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 10:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Code Enforcement & Planning for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0 \$51,856*

*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$51,856*

**Article 10 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 11:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Fire for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0 \$94,427*

*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$94,427*

**Discussion: Fire is the Fire Department.**

**Article 11 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 12:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Ambulance for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0 \$220,938*

*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$220,938*

**Article 12 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 13:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Animal Control for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0 \$11,924*

*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 8-1 \$11,924*

**Article 13 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 14:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Public Works for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0 \$465,620*

*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$465,620*

**Article 14 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 15:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Transfer Station for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0      \$209,710*  
*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0      \$209,710*

**Article 15 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 16:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Library for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0      \$36,560*  
*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0      \$36,560*

**Article 16 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 17:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Recreation for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0      \$52,950*  
*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 8-1      \$52,950*

**Discussion: Terrific Program, a lot of kids are involved with the Program.**

**Article 17 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 18:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Protection for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0      \$230,021*  
*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0      \$230,021*

**Discussion: What is General Protection, 911 dispatchers, taxes, hydrants, insurance, street lights, and Workman's comp are included.**

**Article 18 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 19:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Social Services & Contributions for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 3-0-1      \$22,200*  
*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0      \$22,200*

**Social Service & Contributions:**

<i>Community Services</i>	<i>8,200</i>
<i>General Assistance</i>	<i>10,000</i>
<i>Historical Society</i>	<i>4,000</i>
<i>Total</i>	<i>22,200</i>

**Community Services:**

<i>Broadreach</i>	<i>1,000</i>
<i>Midcoast Maine Community Action</i>	<i>1,000</i>
<i>New Hope for Women</i>	<i>1,155</i>
<i>Penquis Community Action</i>	<i>3,545</i>
<i>Red Cross</i>	<i>500</i>

<i>Life Flight Foundation</i>	<i>1,000</i>
<b>Total</b>	<b>8,200</b>

**Motion was made to amend the amount to remove Broadreach amount of \$1,000 Motion passes, with a show of hands.**

**Article 19 was moved and seconded. It was passed as \$21,200 by a show of hands.**

**Article 20:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Facilities & Grounds for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0 \$50,925*  
*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$50,925*

**Discussion: Facilities & Grounds meaning, building maintenance, consumables, supplies, electricity, heat, monument care, sewer, trash, water. 2,000 less than last year, no projects are planned such as roof replacement last year.**

**Article 20 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 21:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Capital Improvement Plan Reserves for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0 \$487,000*  
*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$472,000*

Capital Improvement	FY-20		
	MGR	BC	BOS
Computer/Technology (Admin)	1500		
Assessment Review (Admin)	20,000		
Records Restoration (Admin)	2300		
Public Works Reserve (Plow Truck)	80,000		
Ambulance Purchase	15,000		
Bridge Repair (Sandy Shores)	150,000		
BLDG Improvements			
CAP BLDG Res (Alewife)			
Cemetery Improvements			
Comprehensive Plan			
Dry Hydrant Install			
FD Equipment Purchase (Fire Truck)	25,000		40,000
Ambulance Equipment Reserve			
FD Digital Communications	2000		
Ambulance Equipment Reserve	3200		
Stretcher	2000		
Stair Chair	1000		
Road Improvement	90,000	150,000	150,000
Transfer Station Paving	20,000		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>412,000</b>	<b>472,000</b>	<b>487,000</b>

**Motion was made to overrule the moderator and go with the budget committee's recommendation. Motion Failed.**

**Discussion: Difference in amount was asked, the amount being put in the reserve account is larger do to**

the quoted price that the Budget committee was unaware of at the time of the vote. Money is put in each reserve every year so there is a consistent amount requested, not hitting the tax payers all at once to replace equipment. Such as the 50 year old fire truck. Town still has grant to help with Sandy Shores replacement.

**Article 21 was moved and seconded. It was passed as 487,000 by a show of hands.**

**Article 22:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Personnel for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

*Board of Selectmen recommends: Vote 4-0 \$210,191*  
*Budget Committee recommends: Vote 9-0 \$210,191*

**Article 22 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 23:** To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Warren Days for the period July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

*Board of Selectmen recommends Vote 4-0 \$4,600*  
*Budget Committee recommends Vote 9-0 \$4,600*

**Article 23 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 24:** To see if the Town will vote to reduce the amount to be raised by taxation using estimated revenues for the Municipal Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

Revenue	FY 19-20
Administration Income	12,500
Ambulance Fees	100,000
Boat Excise	5,500
Building Permits	9,500
Cable Franchise	12,000
Recreation Programing Fees	10,000
Excise Tax	680,000
Property Tax Interest	33,000
Investment Interest	4,300
Transfer Station Fees	20,000
Trash Bags	87,000
Lien Costs	15,000
Concealed Weapons	200
Planning Board	1,020
Tree Growth	9,000
Animal Control	2,200
Junk Yard Permits	150
Plumbing Permits	4,500
Town Clerk Fees	4,400
DOT/LRAP	53,580
General Assistance Reimbursement	5,000
State Revenue Sharing	230,000
Entertainment Fees	500

Library	500
BETE	8,000
Worker Comp Dividens	4,300
Scrap Metal	0
MEMA Reimbursement (Fema EMA Director)	2,700
Prison Hydrant Refund	6,756
<b>Total:</b>	<b>1,321,606</b>

**Article 24 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 25:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to move up to 10% of unexpended balances, from various accounts as needed to provide for the continuity of public services.

**Article 25 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 26:** To see if the Town will vote to fix the 15<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019 and the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2020 as the due dates when assessed taxes shall be payable and to charge 7.00% per annum interest on all unpaid taxes after that date.

**Article 26 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 27:** To see if the Town will authorize the use of funds from the Fund Balance to cover annual abatements, or take any action relating to the same.

**Article 27 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 28:** To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to 36 MRSA §506, to authorize the Tax Collector to accept pre-payment of taxes not yet due or assessed to pay 3% interest on any prepaid taxes that are abated or act thereon.

**Article 28 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 29:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for same except for properties qualifying under 36 M.R.S.A. §943-c.

**Discussion: Board was asked if this is specifically for the Rifle Range. No for all tax acquired properties. 36 MRSA§943-c is a new foreclosure law in place.**

**Article 29 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 30:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for same. If sale is to anyone other than the former owner, the Board of Selectmen shall follow the special sale process required by 36 M.R.S.A. §943-c for qualifying homestead property.

**Article 30 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 31:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer, on behalf of the Town, to accept the proceeds of any payment on insurance claims for damage occurring to Town equipment and to allow the expenditure of funds as necessary to replace said equipment as they deem appropriate or act anything thereon.

**Article 31 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 32:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to accept grants, insurance refunds, reimbursements or other funds received by the Town and apply these funds to the accounts the Selectmen deem appropriate.

**Article 32 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 33:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, pursuant to 30-A MRS §5655, on behalf of the Town, to accept unconditional donations of property or money to supplement a specific appropriation already made, to reduce the tax assessment, to endow a municipal education fund, or to reduce permanent debt.

**Article 33 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**

**Article 34:** To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, pursuant to 30-A MRS §5654, on behalf of the Town, to accept conditional gifts of money or property in trust pending affirmative action by Town Meeting vote.

**Article 34 was moved and seconded. It was passed as written, by a show of hands.**


**Meeting was adjourn at 8:16p.m.**

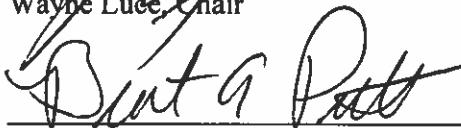
**52 Residents, 4 non-residents attended the Warren Town Meeting on June 18, 2019.**

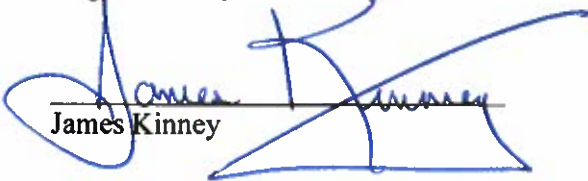
**Respectfully submitted by Board Secretary Sara K. Davis on June 18, 2019.**

Given under our hands this 17 day of July, A.D., 2019.

  
Wayne Luce, Chair

  
Roger Peabody, Vice Chair

  
Brent Pratt

  
James Kinney

  
Jan Macdonald

Selectmen for the Town of Warren

Attest:   
Town Clerk

