

Selectmen Meeting
May 5, 2022

In attendance: David Dufresne, Chair; Rich Eichacker, Vice-chair; Derick Veliz, Clerk; Jim Ferrera,
Town Administrator; Karen Dusty, Administrative Assistant

This meeting was broadcasted on WCAT 12, recorded on Zoom and live on Facebook

1. **Call Meeting to order:** 6:02 pm

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **First right of refusal on Devils Lane:** Ellen Cheney representing her parents stated that this piece of property is mostly in Brimfield, just a small part of it is Warren. Mr. Eichacker made a motion to sign the Notice of Non-Exercise of Right of First Refusal and allow the Cheney Trust to sell the land in Warren. Mr. Veliz 2nd AIF Passed

4. **Treasurer's request on Health Insurance:** Mr. Ferrera state the most insurance is going up 7.5%, but MIIA insurance is only going up .83%. Ms. Swistak said that she is looking at adding vision care if there were enough employees that would like it. Mr. Eichacker made a motion to accept the Treasurer's recommendation and stay with MIIA for the town's health insurance. Mr. Veliz 2nd AIF Passed

5. **Appointments to various positions:** NONE to appoint until July

6. **Warrants & Bills:** Mr. Eichacker made a motion to pay the following Warrants and Bills:

a. Warrants:

i. 91	Payroll	\$46,932.80
ii. 92	Vendor	\$135,550.61

b. Bills:

i. Northeast It	\$2,223.00
ii. Pathfinder Regional VT Quarterly assessment	\$101,212.00
iii. Amazon Business	\$45.98
iv. Quaboag Youth Baseball	\$500.00
v. KP Law	\$3,230.00
vi. Verizon	\$135.41
vii. National Grid	-\$19,684.51
viii. Biancaniello Contracting	\$6,500.00
ix. Biancaniello Contracting	\$1,250.00
x. C2 MA Adams II LLC	\$2,087.98

Mr. Veliz 2nd AIF Passed pay all the warrants and bills

7. **Minutes:** No minutes to approve

8. **New Business:** Mr. Eichacker stated that NEIT also does Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) they said that before we could do that, we would need to increase our modem speed. They also suggested mentioned that other towns have their own Broadband. The discussion was still about how long it takes to reboot if the internet goes down. They asked Jim to call Comcast and to call NEIT to see what we needed to do to get more information on cost.

9. **Old Business:**

a. Dog Hearing Update: Mr. Ferrera stated that he spoke with the Animal Control Officer, she said that the dangerous dog was euthanized. Mr. Eichacker made a motion to close the dangerous dog hearing. Mr. Veliz 2nd AIF dangerous dog hearing closed.

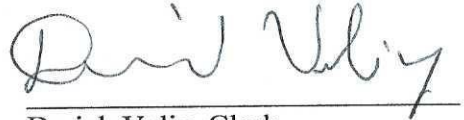
10. **Town Administrator Report:**

- a. Mr. Ferrera stated that he attended the West Brookfield advisory meeting on 5/4/22 about the school and stated that West Brookfield would have a hard time paying the schools as much as they did last year.
- b. The Sewer Department has two interviews scheduled for the 10th
- c. He asked that all line-item transfer request be in so that he could present them to the Board on the 12 and then FinCom can vote on them at their next meeting the 17th.

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- d. He would like to present a 30-day contract with Tanko so that the light that we have already paid for be put up. Then we go through the procurement and get a new streetlight company.
 - e. Mr. Ferrera was able to get the late fee waived from the photocopy machines.
 - f. Parks and Rec needed to raise their budget because of the summer programs
 - g. Mr. Ferrera let the Board know that he would like to attend a MMHR bootcamp and he would be back for the meeting at 6 on May 12
 - h. Mr. Ferrera let the board know that the ARPA report was completed by Mrs. Dusty
 - i. Mr. Ferrera said how thankful we were to the Trial Court group that came and helped with the cleanout of the building. That they would be coming back on the 13th.
- 11. Comments and Concerns:** Mr. Kondrat congratulated Mr. Veliz in winning. Mr. Veliz thanked him and stated that he couldn't have done it without his family support. All the board agreed that the job as a selectman is very hard on families and that they were all grateful for the supports of their wives and family.
- 12. Correspondence:** None
- 13. Next Meeting Date:** May 12, 2022, 6:00 PM
- 14. Adjourn:** Mr. Eichacker made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Veliz 2nd AIF Adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by
Karen Dusty, Administrative Assistant


Derick Veliz, Clerk

TOWN OF WARREN

NOTICE OF NON-EXERCISE OF RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL PURSUANT TO M.G.L. C. 61, §8 [61A, §14 OR 61B, §9]

WHEREAS, the Town of Warren (the "Town"), a Massachusetts municipal corporation, having an address of 48 High Street, Warren, Massachusetts 01083, received a notice of intent to sell/convert under G.L. c. 61, § 8 ("Chapter 61A") dated April 7, 2022 (the "Notice of Intent to Sell/Convert") from David L Cheney and Vicki M. Cheney, Trustees of The Cheney Nominee Trust (the "Owner"); and

WHEREAS, the Notice of Intent to Sell/Convert states that the Owner intends to sell/convert certain property located on Devils Lane, Warren, Massachusetts, shown on a plan entitled "Land in Brimfield and Warren," dated June 5, 2002, recorded or to be recorded with the Worcester South District Registry of Deeds, and being [a portion of] those premises described in a deed recorded with the Worcester South District Registry of Deeds in Book 327, Plan 71 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, under Chapter 61A, the Notice of Intent to Sell/Convert gave rise to the Town's right of first refusal to purchase the Property [FOR SALES: on the terms set forth in a Purchase and Sale Agreement (the "Agreement")]; and

WHEREAS, the Town, acting by and through its Board of Selectmen, voted on May 19, 2022, not to exercise its right of first refusal to purchase the Property under the Notice of Intent to Sell/Convert.

NOW, THEREFORE, you are hereby notified that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Warren, duly elected, qualified and acting as such, on behalf of the Town and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 61, and of any and every power and authority as hereunto in any way enabling, does hereby give notice that the Town has elected not to exercise its statutory right of first refusal to purchase the Property. [FOR SALES: pursuant to the terms of the aforesaid Agreement].

Executed as a sealed instrument on this 5th day of May 2022.

TOWN OF WARREN,
By Its Board of Selectmen


David P Dufresne, Chair


Richard Eichacker, Vice-Chair


Derick Veliz, Clerk

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Worcester, ss.

On this 5 day of MAY, 2022, before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally appeared David P. Dufresne, Richard Eichacker, Derick Veliz, member of the Warren Board of Selectmen, as aforesaid, who proved to me through satisfactory evidence of identification, which was personally known to me, to be the person whose name is signed on the preceding or attached document, and acknowledged to me that he/she signed it voluntarily for its stated purpose on behalf of the Town of Warren.



NANCY J. LOWELL
Notary Public
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
My Commission Expires
April 26, 2024

Nancy J. Lowell
Notary Public
My Commission Expires: April 26, 2024

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INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: BOARD OF SELECTMEN
FROM: DAWN SWISTAK, TREASURER
SUBJECT: FY23 MEDICAL INSURANCE RATE INCREASE
DATE: APRIL 21, 2022
CC: JAMES FERRERA, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Dear Board of Selectmen,

I have recently been in communication with our MIIA's Rep. regarding the Town's health insurance. The renewal for the term September 1, 2022 thru August 31, 2023 reflects an increase of 0.83% over current rates for our BCBS products. MIIA's range for increases this year was 0.00% to +7.50%, with an average rate increase of 7.50%. The budget assumes a 3.7% increase.

I recommend renewing with MIIA.

Best Regards,

Dawn M. Swistak
Treasurer

OFFICE OF THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

TO: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN
FROM: JAMES J. FERRERA
SUBJECT: TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT
DATE: MAY 5, 2022
CC: KAREN DUSTY, FILE

✓ Attended West Brookfield advisory meeting – 5/4/2022

Sewer Department Two applicants for Chief Operator – 5/10 interviews

✓ FY23 Medical Insurance Rate Increase

mtg 5/12 ✓ Line-Item Transfer Requests – 5/17/2022 *Report to John from Member - annual - special BOS 1st next week - Tanko Lighting*

✓ Late fee waived photocopy machine payment

✓ Parks and Recreation summer programs - Wage Scale

✓ MMHR Bootcamp HR 101 May 12th – Wrentham - 8:30- 3 - *Wrentham*

✓ Contact made DOR Rep. David Guzman – future meeting

✓ ARPA Reporting – Karen

✓ Spring Clean Out – Success



BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING

CHARLES E. SHEPARD MUNICIPAL BUILDING

DATE: 5/5/12

Attendee: Joe Kondrat

Attendee: _____

Attendee: Adam Laurie

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Attendee: Gerry Mellitte

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