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**Members Present:** Andrew Cunningham, Chair, Anson Montgomery, Bob Ackland, & Kirstin Reilly.

**Members Absent:** Matt Groom, Vice Chair

**Others Present:** Barry Simpson, Carl Lobel, Deborah Kahn, Deborah Wetmore, Doug Mosley, and Cindi Jones.

**7:05 PM** – Meeting called to order by Mr. Cunningham.

**7:10 PM – Warren Fire Dept. Budget** – Doug Mosley – Mr. Mosley started off going through the fire dept. budget and highlighting the changes. This year the dept. added \$3,000 for maintenance of air packs to maintain them on an ongoing basis. They also added to their repairs and maintenance budget for repair of gauges on the trucks. Mr. Mosley apologized from the dept. that they have not been more pro-active on their repair budget. In the Capital Budget, the dept. appropriated \$60,000 in the Fire Dept. Equipment Account, \$7,500 for uniforms, and \$10,000 for a propane generator for the Sugarbush Fire Station, \$25,000 for L1 & L2 Ladder Truck Certification. There was much discussion around trucks for the next few years and at this time the dept. will form a committee on looking at all the options. Mr. Mosley talked about a 3 ½ kilowatt generator for the Sugarbush Station because the repeater is located there and often times, one of the fire members will be on standby with a portable generator. They would look into options. The board thanked Mr. Mosley for coming in and explaining the Fire Depts. Budget for 2012.

**8:55 PM – Warren Library** – Deborah Kahn, - Ms. Kahn commented that the new storm windows are working wonderfully. She highlighted that the three Valley libraries are meeting to create Valley wide services in all three of the towns. The library Board has provided a 3% increase in the salary lines to bring up the Librarian's pay rate to the state rate. Much discussion took place as Mr. Cunningham explained that raises were across the board for all town employees. Mr. Lobel believes that the library board has full jurisdiction over raises and indicated that it is a merit raise and not a cost of living raise. Mr. Cunningham commented that the Library Board needs to bring in research and reasons why the 3% should be accepted. Ms. Kahn also commented that she has been working with Ms. Goss on collecting all the Irene newspaper information to preserve it. The board thanked Ms. Kahn and the library board members for attending.

**8:45 PM – Other Business:**

Barry Simpson DPW – Mr. Simpson presented the highway equipment replacement spreadsheet with some minor changes of the highway equipment planned replacement schedule. The board reviewed the sheet and did not feel that the Ford pickup needs to be replaced at a new truck cost. It is only used for checking roads and the town could get another good second hand truck. Richard's single is currently used as a backup truck in the winter and for chloride in the summer. The board did not feel that would be replaced at a new cost value as it is only a backup truck. Mr. Cunningham commented that when Tony's truck is replaced then that would be used as the backup. Mr. Ackland inquired if the town had looked at leasing equipment such as the graders, buck loader backhoes etc. Mr. Simpson would check into this. Mr. Simpson also brought up again the need for a chipper.

The board had agreed at an earlier meeting in the year, that if Mr. Simpson and Mr. Weston found a good deal on a used chipper then to go ahead and purchase.

**9:10 PM** – Brook Road Update: Mr. Simpson reported that JP Sicard has completed the project last Friday. They would need to come back in the spring and do cleanup and are hoping to get in the guardrail this week weather permitting.

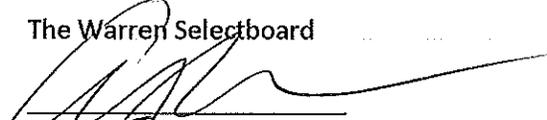
**9:15 PM** – Approval of Warrants for \$235,769.70 – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the warrants as presented for \$235,769.70, second by Mr. Montgomery. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

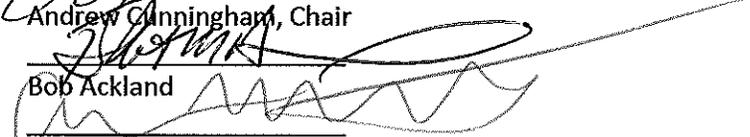
**9:25 PM** – Approval of Minutes for December 27, 2011 – Motion by Mr. Ackland to approve the Minutes of December 27, 2011, second by Mr. Montgomery. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

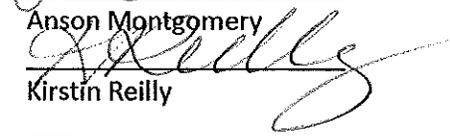
**7:30 PM** – Motion by Mr. Ackland to adjourn the meeting, second by Mr. Montgomery. All in Favor: VOTE: 4-0.

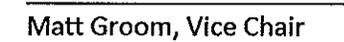
Minutes Respectfully Submitted by,  
Cindi Jones, Warren Town Administrator

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