

### Notice to Voters

The legal voters of the Town of Warren are hereby notified that the deadline for registration to vote for the below warned meeting shall be Wednesday February 24, 2010 at 5 PM. Legal voters of the Town of Warren may request absentee ballots for Australian ballot at the Town Clerk's office on Monday March 1, 2010 until 5 PM. An authorized person may apply for an absentee ballot on behalf of an absentee voter.

## WARNING FOR TOWN MEETING 2010

The residents of the Town of Warren who are legal voters in the town are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Warren Elementary School in the Town of Warren on Tuesday, March 2, 2010 at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following matters:

Note: As voted last year Town Meeting will be called to order at 9 AM and immediately recessed until after the completion of the Warren School District Meeting, at which time Town Meeting will reconvene.

Meeting was called to order by moderator, Robert Messner at 9 AM, immediately **recessed** for the Annual Warren School meeting, which adjourned at 10:30 AM. Mr. Messner announced that the Town had lost Burt Bauchner, a moment of silence was observed in Burt's honor.

The floor was turned over to Representative Adam Greshin for an update on the legislative activities.

Moderator introduced the Select board. Requested non voters identify themselves and reminded them that they could not vote on issues and could speak only with approval of the floor.

### **Article 1. To review and act upon the reports of the Town Officers for the year 2009?**

Article 1 was moved and the floor was opened for discussion on the reports of the Town Officers. David Sellers suggested that the report contain the amount paid to the State of Vermont in the summary page. Virginia Roth and others spoke to the increased in crime and the time spent by Washington County Sheriffs Department.

Motion was made and seconded that the Select Board warn a special meeting to discuss the law enforcement issues. So moved, seconded and approved by a voice vote in the affirmative.

### **Article 2. Shall the Town vote a budget to meet the expenses and liabilities of the Town including the capital expenditures and to authorize the Select Board to set a tax rate sufficient to provide the same?**

Andrew Cunningham moved that a sum of \$2,142,658 be approved for the 2010 budget. Motion seconded. After reviewing the budget and answering questions such as benefits and salary increases the question was called. Motion made to approve the budget, seconded and approved by a voice vote in the affirmative.

**Article 3. Shall the Town vote to authorize expenditure for the Family Center of Washington County a not-for-profit service in the amount of \$500?**

After discussion a motion to approve the sum of \$500.00 was made and seconded. Article 3 was approved by a voice vote in the affirmative.

**Article 4. Shall the Town vote to authorize expenditure for Good Beginnings of Central Vermont a not-for-profit service in the amount of \$300?**

After discussion a motion to approve the sum of \$300.00 was made and seconded. Article 4 was approved by a voice vote in the affirmative.  
NOTE: Floor requested that organizations have representatives present at Town Meeting or **at least written information** to answer questions and explain exactly what services their organization's provide to Warren residents.

**Article 5. Shall the Town of Warren allocate \$20,000 to the Conservation Reserve Fund for the year 2010? To be used for land conservation projects as stated in the Town of Warren Conservation Commission & Conservation Reserve Fund Charter dated April 24, 2007?**

**Question was moved and seconded.** After a lengthy discussion and a paper ballot was successfully requested. Article 5 passed by a paper ballot vote 78 yes – 50 no.

**Article 6. Shall the Town vote to create a new Capital Reserve Fund called "Firefighter Training and Personal Protective Equipment"?**

Question was moved and seconded. Article 6 passed by a voice vote in the affirmative.

**Article 7. Shall the Town vote to direct the Select Board to eliminate the Department of Public Works position?**

Question was moved and seconded. After a lengthy discussion concerning the pro and cons of the Department of Public Works position. Article 7 failed by a voice vote to the negative.

**Article 8. Shall the Voters approve to allow the Library Capital Building Reserve Fund to be used to pay for improvements on the Town Hall until which time the library moves?**

Question was moved and seconded. Article 8 passed by a voice vote in the affirmative.

**Article 9. Shall the Town authorize the Select Board to borrow money to pay current expenses and debts of the Town in anticipation of the collection of taxes for that purpose?**

Question was moved and seconded. Article 9 passed by a voice vote in the affirmative.

**Article 10. Shall the Town vote its current taxes into the hands of the Town Treasurer?**

Question was moved and seconded. Article 10 passed by a voice vote in the affirmative.

**Article 11. Shall the Town have its taxes of real and personal property paid in installments, and set the dates, and to see whether payments shall be with or without discounts, and set the amount thereof?**

Floor discussed different possibilities for payment. After discussion the motion was made "same as last year", which was billed July 10, due Aug 10 not delinquent until Nov 10. Motion seconded and approved by a voice vote in the affirmative.

**Article 12. Shall the Town Vote its Green Mountain National Forest money go to the Warren Elementary School?**

Question was moved and seconded. Article 12 passed by a voice vote in the affirmative.

**Article 13. Shall the Town empower the Select Board to accept any land if given to the Town or to purchase any land within the Town?**

Question was moved and seconded. Gene Bifano moved to amend the article to allow the Select Board to accept land if given but town must have approval to purchase land. Motion to amend is seconded.

Amendment failed by a voice vote.

Motion made to approve Article 13 as printed, motion seconded. Article 13 passed by a voice vote in the affirmative.

**Article 14. Shall the Town keep the parking lot of the East Warren Schoolhouse as a gravel surface and limit outdoor lighting of the lot to the deemed essential for safety and which is low impact, i.e. cast downward, minimizing glare, and directed only on the designated area?**

**Question was called and seconded. After debate, motion was made and seconded that Article 14 be passed over. Article 14 was first voted by a voice vote, clear determination could not be obtained. Moderator asked for a show of hands vote. Article 14 was passed over by a showing of hands vote 53 yes – 14 no. Select board shall hold a warned meeting to address this issue.**

**Article 15. Shall the Town vote to direct the Select Board to not put anymore topsoil on the downside of the Blueberry Lake dam?**

**Question was moved and seconded. After discussion Article 15 was defeated by a voice vote in the negative.**

**Article 16. Shall the town vote to start next year's Town Meeting at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon at the Warren Elementary School?**

Question was moved and seconded. At the Warren Elementary School meeting an advisory vote was taken that the school meeting should begin at 8 AM. Motion was made and seconded to amend Article 16 to begin the 2011 Warren Town Meeting at 8 AM at which time it would recess into the Warren Elementary meeting to be conducted in its entirety. Town meeting will then be reconvened. The amended motion was approved by a voice vote in the affirmative.

Article 17. The following items will be voted on by Australian ballot between the hours of 7:00 am and 7:00 pm, Tuesday, March 2, 2010.

1. Election of all Town and School Officers required by law.
- 2.

| <b>MODERATOR</b> | <b>TOTAL</b> |
|------------------|--------------|
| ROBERT MESSNER   | 348          |
| Lenord Robinson  | 1            |
| Dave Sellers     | 1            |
| Jim Sanford      | 1            |
| Mac Rood         | 3            |
| Peter Monte      | 1            |
| Jack Jones       | 1            |
| Sheldon Foley    | 1            |
| Rudy Elliott     | 1            |

| <b>SELECTMAN 3 YR</b> |     |
|-----------------------|-----|
| ANDREW CUNNINGHAM     | 335 |

|                      |   |
|----------------------|---|
| Lenord Robinson      | 3 |
| Charlie Snow         | 2 |
| Selectman 3 YR cont. |   |
| Ted DeFreest         | 1 |
| Nick Morehouse       | 3 |
| Rudy Elliott         | 5 |
| Ted LaRock           | 1 |
| Jack Jones           | 1 |
| Tim Seniff           | 1 |
| Jim Jones            | 1 |

### **SELECTMEN 2 YR**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| KEN FREY         | 310 |
| L Robinson       | 2   |
| Charlie Snow     | 1   |
| John Rubenstein  | 1   |
| Ted DeFreest     | 1   |
| Sheldon Foley    | 2   |
| Anson Montgomery | 1   |
| Nick Morehouse   | 1   |
| Butch Hartshorn  | 1   |
| Elliott          | 2   |
| Ted LaRock       | 1   |
| Jack Jones       | 1   |
| Dan Raddock      | 1   |
| Wayne Kathan     | 1   |
| Win Smith        | 1   |
| Mike Brodeur     | 2   |

### **SELECTMEN 1 YR**

|                  |     |
|------------------|-----|
| ANSON MONTGOMERY | 225 |
| CHARLES SNOW     | 145 |
| Ted DeFreest     | 1   |
| Chris Kathan     | 1   |

### **LISTER**

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| SANDRA BRODEUR     | 215 |
| PRISCILLA ROBINSON | 174 |

### **TOWN CLERK**

|           |     |
|-----------|-----|
| RETA GOSS | 373 |
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### **TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC**

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| ELAINE FULLER | 357 |
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### **DELINQUENT TAX**

|           |     |
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| RETA GOSS | 373 |
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Priscilla Robinson 1

**1ST CONSTABLE**

Francis Kathan 1  
Bill Peatman 6  
Francis Fallaice 6  
Michael Brodeur 1  
Shoosh Norton 1  
Ted DeFreest 1  
Gene Bifano 1  
Chris Kathan 1  
Peter Laskowski 2  
Wayne Kathan 1  
Spike Brodeur 1  
Jeff Campbell 5  
Sheldon Foley 3  
Nick Morehouse 1  
glen Johnson 1  
Gail Hietzker 1  
Tom Barefoot 1  
Rudy Eillott 2  
Jack Jones 1  
Jack Lonsdale 3  
Tom Theoran 1  
Chris Behn 1  
Chris Burfoot 1  
Billy Brauer 1  
Charlie Snow 3

**2ND CONSTABLE**

JEFF CAMPBELL 289  
Bill Peatman 1  
Bill McClay 1  
Ted DeFreest 1  
Jim Jones 1  
Charlie Snow 1  
Steve Butcher 1  
Chris Burfoot 1  
Rudy Elliott 1  
Jack Jones 1

**TOWN AGENT**

Pierre Moffroid 1  
Ron Zschaler 1  
John Rubinstein 1  
Sheldon Foley 1  
Alex Maclay 1  
Wayne Kathan 9

|                  |   |
|------------------|---|
| Ted DeFreest     | 1 |
| Barry Simpson    | 1 |
| Town Agent cont. |   |
| Bob Lisaius      | 2 |
| Jim Jones        | 1 |
| Charlie Snow     | 2 |
| Peter Monte      | 1 |
| Maria Burfoot    | 1 |
| Michael Brodeur  | 2 |
| Rudy Elliott     | 1 |
| Heli Hietzker    | 1 |
| Buddy Murphy     | 1 |
| Elaine Fuller    | 1 |
| Tom Remsing      | 1 |
| Jack Jones       | 1 |
| Reta Goss        | 1 |
| Mac Rood         | 1 |
| Dotty Kyle       | 1 |
| Neil Harrington  | 1 |
| Peter DeFreest   | 1 |

**GRAND JUROR**

|                 |    |
|-----------------|----|
| Lenord Robinson | 26 |
| Walter Henson   | 1  |
| John Rubinstein | 1  |
| Kinny Perot     | 1  |
| Ray Montgomery  | 1  |
| Wayne Kathan    | 3  |
| Dave Sellers    | 1  |
| Jerome Long     | 1  |
| Eric Moffroid   | 1  |
| Pierre Moffroid | 4  |
| Sheldon Foley   | 1  |
| Eric Joslin     | 1  |
| Rudy Elliott    | 2  |
| Jack Jones      | 1  |
| Anna Whiteside  | 1  |
| Mike Brodeur    | 1  |
| Carl Lobel      | 1  |
| Neil Harrington | 1  |
| Gene Bifano     | 1  |

**TREASURER**

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| ELAINE FULLER | 353 |
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**CEM. COMM. 5 YR**

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| MARGARET FORBES | 336 |
| John Roth       | 1   |

**AUDITOR**

|                   |   |
|-------------------|---|
| Elaine Fuller     | 1 |
| Ken Frey          | 1 |
| Reta Goss         | 1 |
| Jack Garvin       | 1 |
| Pam Skowronski    | 2 |
| Dean Auslander    | 1 |
| David Sellers     | 1 |
| Michelle Eid      | 3 |
| Rudy Elliott      | 2 |
| Mike Ketchell     | 1 |
| Ted LaRock        | 1 |
| Jack Jones        | 1 |
| Katherine McKenna | 1 |

**SCHOOL TREASURER**

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| ELAINE FULLER | 362 |
|---------------|-----|

**SCHOOL DIRECTOR****3 YR**

|                 |     |
|-----------------|-----|
| APRIL SMITH     | 312 |
| Lenord Robinson | 1   |
| Sue Dreker      | 1   |
| Mike Ketchell   | 1   |
| Nick Morehouse  | 1   |
| Sasha Woolson   | 1   |
| Patty Kauffman  | 1   |

**SCHOOL DIRECTOR****2 YR**

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| ADAM GRESHIN       | 340 |
| Sue Dreker         | 1   |
| Zoe Groom          | 1   |
| Charlotte Robinson | 1   |

**SCHOOL MODERATOR**

|             |     |
|-------------|-----|
| MAC ROOD    | 353 |
| Jim Parker  | 1   |
| Jack Jones  | 1   |
| David Cohen | 1   |

**LIBRARY COMM 3 YR**

|               |     |
|---------------|-----|
| PATTY KAUFMAN | 355 |
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| Library Comm 2 YR cont. |   |
| Linda Tyler             | 1 |
| Rudy Elliott            | 1 |

Article 18. To transact any other business that may come before the meeting?

Discussion about the appropriate action for permitting if necessary the East Warren Park N Ride.

Request from the floor that all nonprofit organizations should be represented at Town Meeting, decided that this would be cumbersome. Request that non profits provide information about their organization to the voters.

Motion to adjourn made and seconded. 2010 Town Meeting adjourned at 4:30 PM

