



## Town of Warner

# NEWS FROM THE TOWN

March 2008

### **Town Administrator's Corner**

Welcome to the first edition of the Town of Warner's newsletter. It is our goal to provide you with an easy to read newsletter at least six times a year, which brings to your attention available services, upcoming events, as well as recent events and decisions which may affect the residents of Warner. We hope you will find our newsletters informational. As always, we welcome comments and ideas as to what type of information you would like to see in future editions. Comments/Ideas can be sent via email to [selectboard@warner.nh.us](mailto:selectboard@warner.nh.us) or visit our office and discuss your thoughts!

**2008 Budget:** The Board of Selectmen, Department Heads and Budget Committee have worked hard on the 2008 budget in order to keep the increase to a minimum. This year's Warrant consists of 27 articles of which seven are specific to zoning changes. Articles 8 -20 are the articles carrying money amounts in which both the Budget Committee and Board of Selectmen recommend and which carry a slight increase of 3.99% over the articles passed at the 2007 Town Meeting.

**Meetings:** Meetings of all Boards, Committees and Commissions are open to the public and participation is always welcome! If you cannot attend meetings, minutes are available both on the Town's website [www.warner.nh.us](http://www.warner.nh.us) or can be requested via email ([selectboard@warner.nh.us](mailto:selectboard@warner.nh.us)), by phone (456-2298 ext. 2) or by stopping in for copies.

### **Conservation Commission**

Is in the final stages of completing a Natural Resources Inventory for the entire Town. Included are the following map layers, all in digital map form: base map features (roads, tax parcel boundaries, streams, topographic contours); water resources (water bodies, aquifers, flood prone areas, wetlands, watershed bound-

### **TOWN ELECTIONS** **Tuesday, March 11, 2008**

8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.  
Town Hall

### **TOWN MEETING** **Wednesday** **March 12, 2008**

7:00 p.m.  
Town Hall

The Warrant is available at  
the Town Offices  
or on-line at  
[www.warner.nh.us](http://www.warner.nh.us)

aries); farm and forest resources; wild-life habitat; wildlife habitat co-occurrence; and scenic resources (scenic viewpoints and scenic roads). The Commission is working closely with the Planning Board to provide these layers as part of the Master Plan update process.

### **Planning Board**

The Planning Board continues to be busy meeting at least twice a month. We are in the process of updating the Town's Master Plan. It is recommended that this be done every 5-10 years, our last plan was in 1999. Hank Duhamel has agreed to chair the Capital Improvements Program for 2008 and this Committee will be contacting various Boards and agency's in the near future. We are currently seeking

RFP's from company's in regards to a traffic light or a roundabout at the intersection of the Market Basket Plaza and Route 103. We will be conducting public meetings before recommending which approach to take to the Board of Selectmen, Budget Committee and Town's people.

On the ballot you will find Zoning Ordinance Amendments to the Floodplain Development Ordinance presented to the voters from the Planning Board. We have been advised by the Office of Energy & Planning that an affirmative vote is necessary if the Town wishes to continue to participate in the Flood Insurance Program. We are also seeking \$10,000.00 to be added to the Capital Reserve Fund for a traffic control device at the intersection of the Market Basket Plaza and Route 103 (Town meeting vote).

### **Odd Fellows Building Committee**

We are waiting for CATCH to provide Chris Closs and the Town with cost estimates for rehabilitating the building for the purpose of providing affordable housing in the village. Our hope is that this information will be made available shortly so that a meeting of all concerned can be held in the next week or so, prior to Town Meeting.

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### **Warner Village Water District**

The Water District is making ready for a public hearing on February 26th on a proposed increase in the water rate and provide precinct residents with an opportunity to discuss. Voting will take place at 7:00 P.M., on March 18, at a continued special meeting, which was originally held in December. The District's annual meeting will take place immediately following the reconvened special meeting on the 18th.

### **Assessing Office**

The inventory forms are going in the mail for out of town folks on February 29, 2008, and the forms will be handed out on voting day to our local residents. Anyone not picking one up on that day receive them in the mail. THESE FORMS ARE DUE BACK BY APRIL 15, 2008. THERE IS A PENALTY FOR FORMS NOT RETURNED.

The assessors will be in Town from the end of March to the beginning of April to visit properties which have had changes done to them. Please cooperate and let them in to view the interior of you home. They all have identification, but if you feel uneasy please give Martha a call at the Town Hall 456-2298 ext. 223 or at home 456-3350, the Police Department also has their identification and can be reached at 456-3433

### **911 Numbers**

It has been a tough year for mailboxes so with the coming of spring, please make sure your house numbers are visible. If you cannot see the numbers as you approach your house, neither can the Fire Department or other emergency vehicles. It is a violation of Town ordinances if these numbers are not posted and visible. THE LIFE YOU SAVE COULD BE YOUR OWN. POST YOUR 911 ADDRESS ON YOUR HOME OR MAILBOX.

### **Town Clerk's Office**

Please take note of the new office hours for Tuesday's. Beginning February 19, 2008 the office will be open 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Dog license renewals are due in April.

### **Transfer Station**

There has been recent safety issues regarding animals at the Transfer Station during public hours. Please, if you must bring your pet be sure to either leave them in your car or have them on a leash.

### **Energy Committee**

In 2007, the Town went on record in support of effective actions by the President and the Congress to address

the issue of climate change. In addition it was asked that our Selectmen consider the appointment of an Energy Committee that will recommend local steps to reduce emissions and save energy. The Board of Selectmen have appointed Ed Bender, David Bates and Neil Nevins to this committee. The committee has submitted two petition articles to be considered by the voters. One is to adopt provisions of RSA 72:66 for property tax exemption on real property equipped with wind powered energy systems and the second is to adopt provisions of RSA 72:62 for a property tax exemption on real property equipped with solar energy. The committee is off to a good start. If you are interested in being a member you may contact the Selectmen's office at 456-2298 ext.2.

### **Committee/Board Vacancies**

It's that time again, the Town of Warner is looking for volunteers for Conservation Commission, Planning Board, Zoning Board and Parks & Recreation. Terms run for 3 years. If you are interested, you may call the Selectmen's office or go on-line ([www.warner.nh.us](http://www.warner.nh.us)) print off the Volunteer Form and mail it to: Selectmen's Office, PO Box 265.

There are also Selectmen's Committee's that may interest you such as the Recycle Committee, Road Committee, Energy Committee and Transfer Station Facility Committee.

### **March Meeting Schedule**

Monday	March 3	7 pm	Planning Board
Tuesday	March 4	6 pm	Selectmen
Wednesday	March 5	7 pm	Conservation
Wednesday	March 5	7 pm	Energy
Tuesday	March 11		Town & School Elections
Wednesday	March 12	7 pm	Town Meeting
Thursday	March 13	7 pm	Recycle
Monday	March 17	7 pm	Planning Board
Wednesday	March 19	6 pm	Selectmen
Wednesday	March 19	7 pm	Zoning

### **Police Department**

We welcome David Ackerman to the staff as our newly appointed full time officer.

### **Highway Department**

The staff continues to battle the elements, thank you for all your efforts. This winter season has been a strain on equipment and the staff. Spring will be here soon!!!

### **Welfare Assistance**

Deadline for fuel assistance is April 30th. For more information please call 456-2207.

**Emergency Management**

Do you or someone you know need special assistance during an emergency? If so please complete the attached questioner and mail it to the Town of Warner. **All information will be confidential.**

**Emergency Assistance Survey**

Let us know in **advance** if you might need any assistance during an emergency.

We are prepared to help you if you might need assistance during a public emergency. If you or someone in your household might need help being notified of an emergency, sheltering-in-place, evacuating from home, or staying in a mass care shelter, please let us know. Help is available, but is best planned **before** an emergency happens. Please fill out the information below and return this form.

**ALL INFORMATION IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL AND ONLY FOR USE DURING AN ACTUAL EMERGENCY.**

**I/this person will need help in the event of an emergency:**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY & ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ TTY: \_\_\_\_\_

Help Needed:

- Translator (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
- Need a ride
- Need a wheelchair accessible ride
- Need an ambulance for transportation
- Need individualized notification
- Need help with sheltering-in-place
- Service Animal (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

I consider myself to be:

- Deaf/hard of hearing
- Blind/low vision
- Wheelchair user
- Confined to bed
- Developmentally disabled
- Learning disabled
- Other (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**Relative or emergency contact person:**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY & ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

Mail to:

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