

2014
Annual Report
of the
Town of Warner, New Hampshire



*Chief Petty Officers from the USS Kearsarge
on top of Mt. Kearsarge
September 3, 2014*



*Chief Petty Officers from the USS Kearsarge
September 3 & 4, 2014*

Warner Service Directory

ALL EMERGENCIES: DIAL 911

After calling for emergency help, please turn on all outside lights both during the day and at night to aid in locating your residence. If possible, have someone outdoors to meet the responding units.

FIRE DEPARTMENT, 27 East Main St. (non-emergency)456-2122

POLICE STATION, 180 West Main St. (non-emergency)..... 456-3433

Town Hall Offices - 5 East Main St.

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Phone: 456-2298 Fax: 456-2297

Selectmen meet every two weeks on a rotating schedule of Tuesday nights at 6:00 p.m. See posted meeting schedules for dates on the website @ www.warner.nh.us

Town Administrator	ext. 1	administrator@warner.nh.us
Selectmen's Secretary	ext. 2	selectboard@warner.nh.us
Assessing Clerk	ext. 3	assess@warner.nh.us
Tax Collector	ext. 4	tax@warner.nh.us
Town Clerk	ext. 5 & 6	townclerk@warner.nh.us
Land Use	ext. 7	landuse@warner.nh.us
Bookkeeper	ext. 8	finance@warner.nh.us

Pillsbury Free Library - 18 E. Main Street - 456-2289

Monday & Wednesday 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m - noon & 1:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Transfer Station - 188 Route 103 West - 456-3303

Saturday & Sunday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday noon - 4:00 p.m.

Thursday noon - 7:00 p.m.

Building Inspector - Tom Baye 848-5750

Forest Fire Warden - Paul Raymond 456-3770

Highway Department - 190 West Route 103 456-3366

Welfare Office 456-2298 ext.2

Applications are available at the Selectmen's office during regular business hours and on the Town's website.

Wood Bank 456-2298 ext. 2

or email selectboard@warner.nh.us

**Annual Reports of the
Selectmen, Treasurer, Town Clerk and Tax Collector**

of the

**TOWN OF
WARNER, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Together with the reports of the
Warner Village Water District, Vital Statistics, Etc.**



**FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 2014**

Population (Office of Energy & Planning Est.) 2,862
Number of Registered Voters 2,032

**Please bring this report with you to the Town Meeting
on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.**

**Our website is: <http://www.warner.nh.us>
*Dan Watts - Webmaster***

NOTICE

If you own real estate lots that were involuntarily merged by municipal action, you may be able to have those lots restored to their pre-merger status.

Your property may qualify if two or more lots were merged for zoning, assessing, or taxation purposes and the merger occurred:

- * During your ownership, without your consent;
- * Prior to your ownership, if no previous owner consented to the merger.

To restore your property to pre-merger status, you must:

- * Make a request to the local governing body
- * No later than December 31, 2016

Once restored:

- * Your properties will once again become separate lots; however, they must still conform to applicable land use ordinances. Restoration does not cure non-conformity.

This notice must be:

Posted continuously in a public place from January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2016 and published in the 2011 through 2015 Annual Report.

Read the full statute at [RSA 674:39-aa Restoration of Involuntarily Merged Lots.](#)

Dedication



The Selectmen this year dedicate the Town Report to Richard Cook and Rebecca Courser. They have been deeply involved in the Warner community for over 40 years. From town government to youth sports, from local history to the annual Fall Foliage Festival, Rebecca and Richard have invested countless hours, days, months and, yes, years enriching life in our fair town.

Rebecca was born and raised in Warner, the fifth generation on her mother's side to reside in town. Her relatives started the local phone company and built some of the grand houses on School Street. Richard was raised

in Rhode Island but moved to Warner in 1976 where he met Rebecca. After a whirlwind courtship, they married that fall.

Rebecca was involved in the Community Action Program in the late 1970s. She was a 4-H leader in the 80s and early 90s. In 1990, Rebecca was presented with the *Community Service Award* by the Warner Men's Club.

For many years, Rebecca has been active with the Warner Historical Society. She graduated from being board member to being its first Director. She was one of the organizers of the Warner Woman's Oral History Project, which interviewed local women and translated their stories into a live show about their lives in the years around WWII. She has served on the Odd Fellows Building Committee. She was a Cemetery Trustee. Rebecca was instrumental in starting the Tory Hill Readers Series, now an annual summer event.

Rebecca is known for her local history talks put on over the years at the Town Hall, Historical Society and MainStreet BookEnds. Together with her brothers, William (Bill), Gerald (Jerry) and Timothy she has helped to put over 1,200 acres of family land under permanent conservation in Warner and Webster.

Richard began his service to Warner with coaching Little League in the late 70s and early 80s. Together with Rebecca and other volunteers he helped to start the Road Race held during the Fall Foliage Festival. Richard served on the Festival Board and was President in the 80s. He still helps organize the Festival parade every year. Richard has served on the Conservation Commission in a variety of positions including Chairman. He was also on the board of the Men's Club. He served as a Cemetery Trustee. He has helped perambulate the town boundaries between Warner and its neighbors.

In 2005, Richard was elected Selectman for a one-year term, then re-elected the following year for a three-year term. During his four years, the Board faced crucial challenges of governing Warner. Richard was a stalwart supporter of common sense and rational decision making. Among other undertakings, he led the Road Committee to come up with a priority road rebuilding program that we are still following to this day.

In Memoriam



Tina Schirmer
1957 – 2014

Tina Schirmer was a native New Hampshire daughter. Born in Manchester, growing up in Goffstown and Deering, meeting her husband, Rick, at work and living at first in Exeter (where they survived two near misses of flooding) she and Rick chose to relocate on a south-facing slope on Kearsarge Mountain Road. Tina was an avid outdoors person, loving to hike, ski and bike. Let's not forget the gardens, which Tina built and tended with utmost care.

Tina was invested in our community. At the Celebration of Tina's Life last September, Library Director Nancy Ladd had very high praise for Tina's role as Library Trustee. Tina joined the Board in 1991 and in two stints served a total of 12 years on the Board. Tina transitioned the library's bookkeeping to computers. During her second stint on the Board, she navigated the library through the economic challenges of an aging building and increasing demand for services. Her diligence and good humor made working on the budget with her each year *almost* a pleasure.

In Memoriam



Photo by Susannah Colt

Maxine Kumin

June 6, 1925 – February 6, 2014

Former U.S. poet laureate (1981-82) and poet laureate of New Hampshire (1989-94) and author of more than three dozen books of poetry, fiction, nonfiction and children's literature, Ms. Kumin's volume *Up Country* won the Pulitzer Prize for poetry for 1973. Her work was recognized with numerous other awards over the years, including the Ruth Lilly Prize (1999), the Harvard Medal, the Levinson Prize, and the *Los Angeles Times* Poetry Award (2011). She occupied graduate or undergraduate visiting chairs or fellowships at Boston University, Brandeis, Columbia, MIT, Princeton and most recently at New England College where she helped establish a new poetry Master of Fine Arts program.

Maxine and husband, Victor, moved to Warner in 1973 where she shared her life with four generations of horses and numerous rescue dogs. Besides her work and her animals, Maxine's abiding passion was her organic vegetable garden. (Excerpts from the *Concord Monitor*)

Following is the poem *In Praise of the New Transfer Station*, which Maxine wrote in her book *Connecting the Dots* in 1996. Even our very own transfer station served as inspiration to one of our most noted citizens.

In Praise of the New Transfer Station

*How I love to go to the dump that is not the dump
I remember from the pre-ecological days
when we backed our pickup trucks as close to the edge
as we dared and hurled the detritus of our lives
into the smoldering pit rats flittered around.*

In Memoriam (cont.)

Fire popped longnecked bottles that once held wine

and flags of escaping trash madly danced in the wind.

*I remember the gray malaise attached to that dump
stirring something more than ashes and unburnt rind.*

*The town's teenage toughs hung out there in a daze
smoking pot, swapping girls, trying to jump-start their lives,
a motley assortment of mohawked Harrys and Eds*

*who ended up in the mill, each one at the edge
of a stack of hemlock the serrated sawblades whined
through, ripping the proximate boards as lightly as leaves.*

*It's a social occasion now to go to the dump
that is not a dump anymore, where on Saturdays
neighbors collect on the landscaped sward that surrounds*

*the recycle bins for aluminum, tin, the ground-
glass machine that sets everyone's teeth on edge
as it gobbles used jars to build roads with another day,
and neat pyramids of newsprint that will soon wind
up pulped for more news. Items we used to dump
are arrayed in the Recycle Hut like so many loaves*

*and fishes: Monopoly, bicycles seeking new lives,
toy trains and Barbies, barrows to wheel around,
while outside on a knoll at the dump that is not a dump
anymore, a sculpture of tires serves as a hedge
and under a clump of birches, scoured bright by the wind,
squat porcelain toilets and tubs that have seen better days.*

*You could cater a picnic here almost any day,
admire the sparkling used metal, how sunlight laves
and redeems clustered sundries that wait in the wind
to be weighed and carted away toward another round
of orderly reincarnation. Crocuses edge
the fenceline of the dump that's no longer a dump*

*and in a few days new sedge will spring up around
the castled stump pile where a dumpling chipmunk lives.
The lilacs of May will lightly perfume the wind.*

From *Connecting the Dots*, 1996.

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Elected Town Officers

Moderator	Term
Raymond Martin	2016
Assistant Moderator	
JD Colcord (Appointed)	
Selectmen	
Clyde Carson	2015
David E. Hartman - Chairman	2016
Allan N. Brown	2017
Town Treasurer	
Gail Holmes	2015
Deputy Town Treasurer (Appointed)	
Margaret McLaughlin	2015
Town Clerk	
Judith A. Newman - Rogers	2015
Deputy Town Clerk (Appointed)	
Michele Courser	2015
Tax Collector	
Marianne Howlett	2015
Deputy Tax Collector (Appointed)	
Janice Cutting	2017
Supervisors of the Checklist	
Kathy Carson	2016
Martha Thoits	2018
Christine J. Perkins	2020
Almoners of the Foster & Currier Funds	
O. Fred Hill	2015
Jere T. Henley	2016
Penny Sue Courser	2017
Trustees of Trust Funds	
John Warner - Treasurer	2015
Dale Trombley	2016
David Karrick, Jr.	2017
Warner Representatives to Kearsarge Regional School District	
Ken Bartholomew	2015
Joe Mendola	2017

Elected Town Officers

	Term
Warner Representatives to the KRSD	
Municipal Budget Committee	
George Saunders	2015
James Hand	2017
 Chandler Reservation Committee	
Allison P. Mock	2015
Stephen Hall	2016
Jonathan France	2017
Gerald B. Courser	2018
 Budget Committee	
Alfred Hanson	2015
Martha Mical - Vice Chair	2015
Michael Cutting - Chairman	2016
Martha Bodnarik	2016
Kimberley Brown-Edelmann	2017
John Leavitt	2017
Pete Newman - Warner Village Water District Representative	
Allan N. Brown - Selectmen's Representative	
 Trustees of Town Cemeteries	
Gerald B. Courser - Chairman	2015
Penny Sue Courser	2015
Donald H. Wheeler	2016
Mary E. Cogswell	2016
Kenneth W. Cogswell	2017
 Trustees of the Pillsbury Free Library	
Tina Schirmer - Treasurer (Deceased)	2015
David Chmieleck - Corresponding Secretary	2015
John Warner - Assistant Treasurer	2015
Richard Knapik, Sr.	2015
Michael Simon	2015
Timothy Murphy	2015
David O. Pook (Resigned)	2015
Shandi Allen (Resigned)	2016
Belle Harvey (Resigned)	2016
Michelle Allen - Recording Secretary	2016
Sara McNeil - Chairman	2017
Jeanne Hand - Assistant Chair	2017
Caroline Hatala - Treasurer	2017

Appointed Town Officers

	Term
Alternate Library Trustees	
Linda Burdick	2015
Kathy Carson	2015
Librarian (Appointed)	
Nancy Ladd	
Health Officer	
Paul DiGeronimo	2016
Overseer of Public Welfare	
Jim Bingham, Town Administrator	
Planning Board	
Ken Milender	2015
Clyde Carson - Selectmen's Ex-officio	2015
Aedan Sherman - Vice Chair	2015
Rick Davies - Chairman	2016
Donald Hall	2016
David E. Hartman - Selectmen's Ex-officio	2015
Ben Frost	2017
Barbara Annis	2017
Planning Board Alternates	
Susan Roth	2016
Zoning Board of Adjustment	
Rick Davies	2015
Kimberley Brown-Edelmann - Vice Chair	2016
Janice Loz - Chairman	2017
Gordon Nolen	2017
Andrew Bodnarik	2017
Zoning Board of Adjustment Alternates	
Howard Kirchner	2015
Beverly Howe	2016
Corey Giroux	2017
Conservation Commission	
James McLaughlin	2015
Russ St. Pierre	2015
John Dabuliewicz	2016
Doug Allen	2016
Scott Warren	2016
Nancy Martin - Chairman	2017

Appointed Town Officers

	Term
Conservation Commission Alternates	
Mimi Wiggin	2016
Mike Amaral	2016
Phil Stockwell	2017
Highway Safety Commission	
Matthew Waite - Director of Public Works	By Position
Edward P. Raymond - Fire Chief	
William E. Chandler - Police Chief	
Edward F. Mical - Emergency Management	
Clyde Carson – Selectmen’s Representative	
Emergency Management	
Edward F. Mical	Director
Building Inspector	
Tom Baye	2017
Compliance Officer	
Peter Wyman	2015
Central NH Regional Planning Representatives	
Rick Davies	2015
Ken Milender	2016
Central NH Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)	
Barbara Annis	No Term
Aedan Sherman	No Term
Concord Regional Solid Waste Representative	
David E. Hartman	2015
Varick Proper (Alternate)	2015
Parks and Recreation	
Griffin Manning	2015
Joseph Herr	2015
Mark Allen	2015
Corey Heiligmann	2016
Apryl Blood	2016
Tim Blagden	2016
Chuck Austin	2017
Allan N. Brown - Selectmen’s Representative	

Appointed Town Officers

Chief Forest Fire Warden

Paul Raymond (P) 456-3770

Deputy Wardens

Charles "Pooch" Baker (P) 456-3837

Stephen W. Hall (P) 456-3357

Daniel Fisher (P) 456-3280

Jonathan France (P) 456-2883

Sean Toomey (P) 456-3020

Ed Raymond (P) 456-3770

Philip Rogers

Ronald Piroso

Kalvin Rogers

(P) - Able to write burn permits

Warner State Representatives

District 07

Clyde Carson

33 Kearsarge Mt. Road

Warner, NH 03278

District 25

David Karrick, Jr.

PO Box 328

Warner, NH 03278

Board of Selectmen Special Committees

Energy Committee

Sue Hemingway

Peter Ladd

David Swords

Darren Blood

Bill Balsam

Clyde Carson - Selectmen's Representative

Odd Fellows Building Committee

Rebecca Courser

Stephen Brown

James McLaughlin

Kyle Whitehead

Amy S. Dixon

Edward F. Mical

Road Committee

Selectman Clyde Carson

Alfred Hanson - Budget Committee Representative

Aedan Sherman - Planning Board Representative

Matthew Waite - Director of Public Works

Fire Station Alterante Sites Committee

Ed Raymond - Fire Chief

Peter Wyman - Fire Fighter

Alfred Hanson - Budget Committee

Mike Amaral - Conservation Commission

Jim Bingham - Town Administrator

Allan N. Brown - Selectman

Ken Milender - Planning Board/Member at Large

Howard Kirchner - Alternate

If you have any interest in joining any Board or Committee please fill out a Volunteer Form and return it to the Selectmen's office, or you may forward your interest electronically to selectboard@warner.nh.us. The Volunteer Form is downloadable @ www.warner.nh.us

2014/2015 Operating Budget

Item	Approp.	Spent	BOS	BC	Diff.	%
	2014	2014	2015	2015		
Selectmen's Off.	137,008	139,973	134,922	134,922	(2,086)	-2%
Elections	2,570	2,479	1,292	1,292	(1,278)	-50%
Finance	39,563	41,642	55,211	55,211	15,648	40%
Tax Collector	45,926	45,118	46,738	46,738	812	2%
Treasurer	4,812	4,812	4,812	4,812	0	0%
Town Clerk	78,668	77,825	79,424	79,424	756	1%
Funds	500	500	500	500	0	0%
Assessing	39,613	36,610	38,381	38,381	(1,232)	-3%
Legal Expenses	9,000	18,467	9,000	9,000	0	0%
Benefits	161,441	150,225	175,920	175,920	14,479	9%
Land Use	26,767	23,820	25,105	25,105	(1,662)	-6%
Town Hall	34,340	40,287	34,910	34,910	570	2%
Old Graded Sch.	18,500	20,702	20,100	20,100	1,600	9%
Cemeteries	14,500	12,340	14,200	14,200	(300)	-2%
Insurance	119,600	102,425	106,000	106,000	(13,600)	-11%
Cen. NH Plan.	3,149	3,149	3,149	3,149	0	0%
Comm. Action	15,792	15,792	15,792	15,792	0	0%
Donations	1	0	1	1	0	0%
Police Dept.	504,992	478,852	492,401	492,401	(12,591)	-2%
Fire Dept.	214,766	199,808	236,810	236,810	22,044	10%
Building	4,900	3,185	4,900	4,900	0	0%
Emerg. Mang.	6,677	4,515	14,300	14,300	7,623	114%
Highway Dept.	900,967	925,701	932,952	932,952	31,985	4%
Street Lighting	10,000	10,220	10,250	10,250	250	3%
Transfer Station	211,603	192,327	205,172	205,172	(6,431)	-3%
Health/Welfare	27,268	22,552	24,350	24,350	(2,918)	-11%
Parks & Rec.	23,135	23,263	29,402	29,402	6,267	27%
Library	189,502	189,502	189,771	189,771	269	0%
Memorial Day	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0%
Con. Comm.	570	345	570	570	0	0%
Bond Principal	58,088	58,088	0	0	(58,088)	-100%
Bond Interest	2,033	2,024	0	0	(2,033)	-100%
Pumper Prin.	21,739	21,781	22,300	22,300	561	3%
Pumper Int.	10,517	10,474	9,700	9,700	(817)	-8%
Hopkinton Land	27,000	24,698	27,000	27,000	0	0%
Rail Trail Exp.	0	6,102	0	0	0	0%
Total	2,967,007	2,911,104	2,966,835	2,966,835	(172)	-0.01%

2014/2015 Capital Budget

Capital Reserve	Art. #	Approp. 2014	Spent 2014	BOS 2015	BC Recom'd
Property Revaluation	10	20,000	20,000	10,000	10,000
Exit 9 Improvements	9	45,000	45,000	41,000	41,000
Highway Equip.	14	100,000	100,000	53,000	53,000
Highway Road Const.	13	175,000	175,000	149,000	149,000
Bridges		25,000	25,000	0	0
New Fire Station	12	0	0	165,000	165,000
Fire Dept. Equipment	15	0	0	25,000	25,000
Fire Dept. Bldg./Reno.		25,000	25,000	0	0
Fire Dept. Vehicle		70,000	70,000	0	0
Odd Fellows Bldg.	16	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Town Hall Improv.	17	5,000	5,000	10,000	10,000
Town Records	18	0	0	10,000	10,000
Transfer Station		5,000	5,000	0	0
Police Vehicle	11	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Contingency Fund	19	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Library Building	20	0	0	42,000	42,000
DPW Facility	21	0	0	5,000	5,000
Total:		495,000	495,000	535,000	535,000

2014/2015 Sources of Revenue

Revenue Source	2014	2014 Actual	2015 Estimated
Taxes			
Land Use Change Tax	0	0	0
Resident Tax	0	0	0
Timber Tax	22,000	36,230	26,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	17,000	17,791	17,000
Excavation Tax	300	192	180
Other Taxes	0	0	0
Interest & Penalties on Del. Taxes	85,000	78,116	78,000
Licenses, Permits & Fees			
Business Licenses & Permits	4,025	3,538	3,800
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	372,000	436,094	395,000
Building Permits	6,500	8,643	7,800
Other Licenses Permits & Fees	8,000	13,593	10,000
From State & Federal			
Federal Grants/Reimb.	0	0	0
Shared Revenue	0	0	0
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	127,000	137,979	135,000
Highway Block Grant	106,225	111,650	112,000
Water Pollution Grant	0	0	0
Housing & Community Dev.	0	0	0
State & Federal Forest Land Reimb.	2,520	1,250	1,250
Flood Control Reimbursement	0	0	0
Other Grants (Used Oil, etc.)	1,000	5,125	516,500
Charges for Services			
Income from Departments	50,000	139,142	65,000
Miscellaneous Revenues			
Sale of Municipal Property	11,000	550	8,000
Interest on Investments	300	428	350
Other	15,000	35,154	34,000
Trust Fund Income	950	1,354	950
Amount Voted from Fund Balance	10,000	10,000	149,000
Less Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	0	165,000	0
Totals	838,820	1,201,829	1,559,830

Selectmen and Town Administrator's Report

As the governing body for the Town, The Board of Selectmen is charged with overseeing all aspects of town governance; from the enforcement of Town ordinances and State Laws, to the efficient operation of all town departments, including the prudent management of the Town's finances and assets. A significant part of the Board's duties involves strategic planning and proper allocation of the town's resources for the benefit of Warner citizens in future years. The Capital Improvement Program is one tool that assists the Selectmen in foreseeing future needs of the town and for developing effective strategies to address those needs. Other tools and services available to the Selectmen for this planning are the Central NH Regional Planning Commission, the Community Development Finance Authority, and various State and Federal agencies and programs.

This year has been a very busy and productive year as the selectmen succeeded in moving some existing projects forward, and in addition, address ongoing concerns through innovation and persistence. The following are a few significant projects the Board has focused on in 2014:

Bridge Replacement at Bartlett Loop – This culvert has been on the NHDOT Red List for some time. After the washout in 2013, the Town Administrator was able to convince the NHDOT to place this bridge on the Bridge Aid program for 2014 in lieu of another Warner bridge project that the Town had already completed. This enabled the town to receive 80% reimbursement on this \$275,000 project. The construction contract was signed in January 2015 and work is underway.

Roundabout at Intervale (Exit 9) - After numerous hours of meetings with McFarland and Johnson Engineering and the NHDOT Office of Planning and several public information sessions, the Board of Selectmen, under the perseverance of Chairman David Hartman, submitted preliminary design plans for the Roundabout in January 2014. Preliminary design plans entail 90% of the design, leaving signage and landscaping for the final design. This project is reimbursed by NHDOT to the Town at 66% of the \$771,000 cost of this project. Hoping to begin construction in the fall of 2015, the Board has requested an expedited review of these plans. The Board is presenting a warrant article at Town Meeting for favorable consideration by the voters. The construction of this traffic calming project will positively impact further development and the safety of this commercial area.

Odd Fellows Building – Purchased by the Town in 2001 by a vote of the Town Meeting, this grand old building has been a challenge to developers and a liability for the Town due to the discovery of hazardous waste. The lack of parking for this building is the largest obstacle to attracting serious developers. Selectman Allan Brown worked with the KRSD School Board, school district facilities committee and school district administration to develop a proposal to transfer approximately 12,000 square feet of land from the Simonds Elementary School property to the Town which will create parking spaces for the Odd Fellows Building and the Town Hall. This proposal was

Selectmen and Town Administrator's Report (cont.)

approved by the voters at the School District deliberative session on January 10th. Selectman Brown stated that the best thing we could do for this building is getting a developer to “renovate the structure and get it back on the tax rolls.” This is a very significant and critical step in accomplishing this goal for the Town.

New Fire Station – It was decided that using the designated site for the new fire station was not in the best interest of the Town. The Board created a committee, chaired by Selectman Allan Brown, to investigate and propose alternate sites for the new fire station. The committee met during May and June of 2014. Utilizing set of agreed upon criteria, they identified and evaluated over 30 parcels in town. After site walks, discussions with property owners and much debate, this committee presented its evaluation to the Board of Selectmen. Four sites that offer very favorable features were recommended as possible locations for the new fire station. The Board reviewed the work of the alternate sites committee and narrowed the options to two sites. The Board brings to the voters the site it proposes for the new fire station.

Solar Panel Array – Electric power costs continue to rise. The town currently spends over \$50,000 annually for electricity. Hoping to take advantage of recent NH legislation on remote net metering, Selectman Clyde Carson created a committee to explore the feasibility of constructing a solar panel array that would generate electricity sufficient to meet the needs of town buildings and facilities for the next 20 to 30 years. Several towns are in the process or have completed constructing solar arrays. Over the last year, the committee has researched solar generation of electricity, met with consultants and contractors, determined electric usage for both the town and the water district, solicited a request for proposals from solar vendors, conducted site walks of viable locations for a solar array, and reviewed construction costs and financial options (including grants, rebates and tax credits). The committee, with assistance from the NH Community Development Finance Authority, is presently working with two vendors to reach an agreement to construct two 100Kw solar power arrays for the transfer station and the water district treatment plant. If the financing and the return on investment is favorable to the Town, the committee will present a plan to the voters at Town Meeting, not this year, but perhaps next year.

The Board of Selectmen has also recently applied for grants to make energy efficiency improvements to the Old Graded School and conduct an environmental assessment of the NHDOT Maintenance Lot on Waterloo Street. They will also resume negotiations next month with TDS to renew the cable franchise agreement with the town. The Board expects to receive a plan from TDS that will bring fiber optic service to the residents and businesses in Warner.

The Town's infrastructure remains a high priority for the Board in 2015 as it plans the reconstruction of Waldron Hill Road and explores cost effective strategies to improve road maintenance. The Board is looking at innovative methods of maintaining a reliable fleet of highway equipment that is becoming more expensive to purchase

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each year. By investigating all options from equipment lease programs to contracting outside contractors for snow plowing, the Board hopes to avoid the need for sudden large appropriations as well as reduce the amounts of taxpayer dollars accrued for the purchase of highway equipment.

As mentioned above, a committee was formed to evaluate potential building sites for a new fire station. This committee accomplished six months of work in six weeks! The Board thanks the following members for their commitment, hard work and productivity: Mike Amaral, Alfred Hanson, Howard Kirchner, Ken Milender, Ed Raymond and Peter Wyman.

After four very dedicated years at the post of Town Treasurer, Gail Holmes did not seek another term. Gail has done an outstanding job as our Treasurer, insuring that all her fiscal management responsibilities were met, (and there are a lot of them). Her smile and positive demeanor will be truly missed at Town Hall.

The Board also wishes to gratefully acknowledge George Saunders' contribution of his time and experience as Warner's representative on the KRSD Municipal Budget Committee since 2003. George is not seeking another term.

Judy Pellettieri is retiring after 14 years as the Principal of Simonds Elementary School. Judy has had a profound and endearing impact on the children of Warner during her tenure as the head the elementary school and we wish her many wonderful years in active retirement.

The Fall Foliage Festival Committee under the leadership of Adam Bates this fall did it again and organized a great and well attended festival and established the new venue in town as a winner! Congratulations!

The Selectmen would like to thank the voters for their confidence in the Board to conduct the business affairs of the Town and to shout out that Something Wonderful is Happening in Warner.

*Respectfully submitted,
Board of Selectmen
David E. Hartman - Chairman
Clyde Carson
Allan N. Brown*

*Jim Bingham
Town Administrator*

Audit Report

Town of Warner, New Hampshire Management's Discussion and Analysis Year ending December 31, 2013

The following is a discussion and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Warner, New Hampshire for the year ending December 31, 2013. Readers are encouraged to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the Town's financial statements.

Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data, and the completeness and fairness of this presentation (including all disclosures) rests with management. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the data contained herein is accurate in all material respects. This data is reported in a manner designed to fairly present the Town's financial position, and the result of operations of the various funds of the Town. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an accurate understanding of the Town's financial activities have been included.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Town's basic financial statements. The town's basic financial statements include three components:

1. Government-wide financial statements
2. Fund financial statements
3. Notes the basic financial statements

This report also contains supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

1. Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Town's finances in a manner similar to most private-sector companies.

The **Statement of Net Position** presents information on all of the Town's (a) assets and deferred outflows of resources and (b) liabilities and deferred inflows of resources with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases and decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Town is improving or deteriorating.

The **Statement of Activities** presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the most recent year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in the statement for some items that will not result in cash flows until future periods (such as uncollected taxes and interest on long-term obligations).

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2. Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Town can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental Funds: Most of the basic services provided by the Town are financed through governmental funds. Unlike the government-wide financial statements, the governmental fund financial statements report using the modified accrual basis of accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted into cash. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Town's programs.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between the governmental activities statement of net position and statement of activities.

Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside of the Town government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the Town's own programs. The Town's fiduciary funds include various private-purpose trust funds in addition to funds held for planning board fees.

3. Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and the fund financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information

The basic financial statements and accompanying notes are followed by a section of required supplementary information. This section includes a budgetary comparison schedule for the Town's major governmental fund and includes a reconciliation between the reported activity of the revenues, expenditures and transfers for budgetary purposes (Schedule 1) and the activity as presented in the governmental fund financial statements (Exhibit D). The Town's only major governmental fund for 2013 with an adopted budget is the General Fund.

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Other Supplementary Information

Other supplementary information includes combining financial statements for non-major governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Statement of Net Position

The Town's net position totaled \$9,228,477 at the end of 2013, and increase of \$424,374 when compared to the net position as of December 31, 2012.

	2013	2012
Current assets	4,069,089	3,548,878
Capital assets	7,430,189	7,484,615
Total assets	11,499,278	11,033,493
Deferred outflows of resources	0	
Long-term liabilities	439,764	544,053
Other liabilities	1,825,990	1,685,337
Total liabilities	2,265,754	2,229,390
Deferred inflows of resources	5,047	0
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	7,061,728	7,040,760
Restricted	352,456	324,906
Unrestricted	1,814,293	1,438,437
Total net position	9,228,477	8,804,103

The largest portion of the Town's net position reflects its investment in capital assets such as land, buildings, and equipment less any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets.

Statement of Activities

Change in net position for the years ending December 31, 2013 and 2012 are as follows:

	2013	2012
Revenues		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	68,007	78,759
Operating grants and contributions	157,847	131,268
Capital grants and contributions	0	18,812

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	2013	2012
General revenues:		
Property and other taxes	2,634,596	2,472,589
Licenses and permits	430,513	393,212
Grants and contributions	129,947	131,228
Interest and investment earnings	13,917	14,043
Miscellaneous	103,962	36,522
Contributions to permanent fund principal	600	0
Total revenues	3,539,389	3,276,433
Expenses		
General government	784,526	746,767
Public safety	838,763	849,867
Highways and streets	990,378	1,291,581
Sanitation	208,155	215,615
Health & Welfare	31,130	18,329
Culture & recreation	247,774	239,866
Interest and fiscal charges	14,289	13,276
Total expenses	3,115,015	3,375,301
Change in net position	424,374	(98,868)
Net position, beginning of year	8,804,103	8,902,971
Net position, end of year	9,228,477	8,804,103

Property and other taxes brought in \$2,634,596 in revenues. Licenses and permits generated \$430,513 in revenues. Other revenues consisted of charges for services, grants, contributions, interest and investment earnings, and miscellaneous revenues.

The Town's expenses cover a range of services. The largest expenses were for highways and streets (31.79%), public safety (26.93%), and general government (25.19%) which account for 83.91% of total expenses.

Financial Analysis of the Town's Funds

As noted earlier, the Town uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

The focus of the Town's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of expendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Town's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the year.

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General Fund

The General Fund is the main operating fund of the Town. At the end of the current fiscal year, the General Fund had a total fund balance of \$1,518,730. The General Fund balance increased \$423,290 from December 31, 2012. However, a decrease in fund balance was anticipated since \$65,000 of the prior year fund balance was appropriated to fund 2013 warrant articles. In addition, \$135,000 of the prior year fund balance was applied to reduce the current year's tax rate.

Other Governmental Funds

The total fund balance of \$316,044 in the other governmental funds is restricted for the purposes of the individually established fund. The largest portion of this total represents the balance in the Chandler Reservation Fund (\$95,879 or 30.34%) and in the Permanent Funds (\$92,235 or 29.18%).

The total fund balance in the other governmental funds increased \$36,035 from December 31, 2012.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

Budgetary information for the major governmental fund (the General Fund is included in the Required Supplementary Information section).

Actual revenues and other financing sources on the budgetary basis were higher than the budgeted amount by \$159,845 or 4.82%.

The Town under expended its budget by \$203,977 or 5.80%. Demonstrating fiscal restraint, town officials were able to manage the Town's business under budget. The key areas of savings resulted within capital outlay and highways and streets.

Capital Assets and Long-Term Obligations

Capital Assets

The Town considers a capital asset to be an asset whose costs exceeds \$10,000 and has a useful life of greater than (1) year. Assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the course of their useful life.

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The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2013 amounts to \$11,270,965. Accumulated depreciation amounts to \$3,840,776, leaving a net book value of \$7,430,189. This investment in capital assets includes equipment and real property.

Long-term Obligations

At December 31, 2013, the Town of Warner had total outstanding general obligation debt of \$368,461. During the year, debt service payments were made in accordance with the scheduled payments.

Economic Conditions

The Town is in stable financial condition with little long-term debt. The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee have continued to strive to keep the town portion of the tax rate as level as possible while not impacting services. This has been done through a combination of responsible budgeting and utilizing surplus money to apply toward the tax rate. The Capital Improvement Plan Committee continues to update the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) and forward that information to both the Selectmen and Budget Committee so that funding options can be explored as part of the budgetary process. The Board of Selectmen is deliberating the feasibility and timing for building a new fire station which would require the Town to review long-term funding options. The Selectmen will also be reviewing the feasibility of long term funding in association with developing solar panel array projects for the Town as a means of containing energy costs. The Board of Selectmen, along with other active citizens on town boards and commissions, has recognized the need for viable economic development in town in order to strengthen the tax base and is progressing to address the need in several ways including creating an Economic Development Committee that would coordinate with local business organizations, state agencies and regional planning commissions to effectively promote Warner as a strong, viable community in which businesses can expand, thrive and prosper.

Request for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Town's finances for all of Warner citizens, taxpayers, and creditors. This financial report seeks to demonstrate the Town's accountability for the money it receives. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to: Town of Warner, Selectmen's Office, PO Box 265, Warner, NH 03278.

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Manchester, NH 03104

Report of Internal Control Based on an Audit of Basic Financial Statements

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Warner, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Warner, New Hampshire (the Town) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2013, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Town's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be a material weakness.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Town's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the following deficiency in the Town's internal control to be a material weakness:

Segregation of Duties

Observation

The Town has a general ledger accounting system, which has the capabilities to account for the activity of more than one fund. However, as previously reported, only the activity of the General Fund is currently being recorded in the accounting system.

The Town's Treasurer is the authorized signature on various bank accounts in addition

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to those reported in the Town's General Fund. These additional accounts have been earmarked to account for the activity of the following: Chandler Reservation Fund and Conservation Commission Fund. There is no formal accounting system in place to keep track of the annual activity of these additional accounts. The only reporting of these funds is being maintained by the Treasurer.

Implication

The internal controls over cash receipts and cash disbursements are weakened. There is no proper segregation of duties pertaining to these other bank accounts. The current procedures place sole reliance on the Treasurer to deposit monies, write checks, reconcile the bank accounts, and maintain a record of the activity.

Recommendation

We urge Town officials to fully utilize the accounting system to record the on-going activity in funds previously mentioned. Although the Treasurer maintains records for these funds, the Town's finance personnel should also be tracking the activity with the accounting software. This will ensure an accurate financial position of the Town will be available upon which the Selectmen may make sound business decisions. Sound internal controls provide for the distribution of duties to various personnel to reduce the risk of loss and to provide a system of checks and balances.

Selectmen's Response

The Auditors have reported for several audits that the town's accounting system is capable of accounting for the activity of more than one fund. However, only the activity of the General Fund of the town has been recorded in the accounting system. The Town's Treasurer is the authorized signature on various bank accounts such as the Chandler Reservation Fund and the Conservation Commission Fund and the transactions and reporting of these funds has been maintained solely by the Treasurer. The Auditor's recommendation is to have the Town's finance personnel also track the activity of these accounts using the town accounting software, thus segregating of duties pertaining to these accounts and strengthening internal controls over cash receipts and cash disbursements.

The Board of Selectmen has taken steps to comply with the Auditor's recommendation. Beginning in calendar year 2014 eight town accounts have been incorporated into the Town Accounting System thus enabling the activity of these accounts to be tracked by finance personnel as well. The transfer of these accounts into the town accounting system will provide for the distribution of duties to other personnel to reduce the risk of loss and to provide a system of checks and balances.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Selectmen, and others within the organization, and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For Year Ended December 31, 2014

*Town of Warner
New Hampshire*



Note: The financial reports for 2014 had not been audited at the time the Town Report went to press. This information is subject to change, errors and omissions. The financial reports on pages 31 through 62 have been created by the Bookkeeper, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Almoners of the Foster & Currier Funds, Selectmen's Secretary, and the Trustees of the Trust Funds.

General Assets
As of December 31, 2014

Cash:					
Sugar River - Operating acct		2,019,484			
				2,019,484	
Funds in Custody of Treasurer:					
Beautification Fund		3,164			
Conservation Commission		93,229			
Chandler Reservation Account		132,435			
Hazardous Materials Account		4,025			
North Road Town Forest		10,511			
Planning Board Fees Account		23			
Timber Bond Account		10,517			
				253,904	
Total Cash:					2,273,388
Other Assets:					
Uncollected Taxes		399,732			
Unredeemed Taxes		224,617			
Allowance for uncollectable taxes		(50,000)			
Accounts Receivable		11,709			
Due from Capital Reserve Funds		322,464			
Prepaid Expenses		6,415			
				914,937	
Total Other Assets:					914,937
Total Assets:					3,188,325

General Fund Liabilities

As of December 31, 2014

Accounts owed by the Town:				
Current Liabilities:				
Accounts Payable			0	
Accrued Payroll			22,500	
School District-Tax Payable			1,771,979	
				1,794,479
Funds in Custody of the Treasurer:				
Beautification Fund			3,164	
Conservation Commission			93,229	
Chandler Reservation Account			132,435	
Hazardous Materials Account			4,025	
North Road Town Forest			10,511	
Planning Board Fees Account			23	
Timber Bond Account			10,517	
				253,904
Total Liabilities				2,048,382
Fund Balance - December 31, 2014			1,110,354	
Surplus voted for Contingency Fund			10,000	
Amount of surplus used setting Tax Rate			165,000	
Undesignated Fund Balance			935,354	
Reserve for encumbrances			19,615	
Adjusting Journal Entries			(211,267)	
Adjusted Balance			743,702	
Current Year Revenue				8,978,885
Current Year Expenditure				(8,593,581)
Current Year Encumbrance				20,295
Deposited to Conservation Commission				(9,359)
Net Revenue, Expenditure & Encumbrances				396,240
Total All Fund Balance Accounts				1,139,942
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance				3,188,325

Note: The financial reports for 2014 had not been audited at the time the Town Report went to press. This information is subject to change and omissions.

Schedule of Long Term Indebtedness
As of December 31, 2014

Notes Outstanding:				
	Lake Sunapee Bank			-
	Lake Sunapee Bank-Fire Truck			286,815
Total Notes Outstanding				286,815
Total Long-Term Indebtedness				286,815
Debt Outstanding, Issued and Retired				
Notes Outstanding at the beginning of this fiscal year-LSB				58,088
Notes Outstanding at the beginning of this fiscal year-Fire Truck				308,596
Notes issued during fiscal year				-
Notes Retired during fiscal year - LSB				58,088
Notes Retired during fiscal year - Fire Truck				21,781
Total Notes Outstanding at end of year				286,815

Summary of Inventory Valuation

As of December 31, 2014

Town of Warner

Value of Land Only	Acres	Assessed Value	Totals
Current Use	23,396.64	1,573,370	
Preservation Easement	.21	3,680	
Residential	3,634.09	83,064,680	
Commercial	346.25	9,077,820	
Total of Taxable Land	27,377.19		93,719,550
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land		9,841,700	
Value of Buildings Only			
Residential		163,264,110	
Manufactured Housing		1,949,950	
Commercial		21,641,500	
Preservation Easement		41,045	
Total of Taxable Buildings			186,896,605
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings		16,173,240	
Public Utilities (Electric)			5,564,930
Total Value before Exemptions			286,181,085
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			-1,524,535
Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate is computed			284,656,550

Warner Village Water District

Value of Land Only	Assessed Value	Totals
Current Use	3,340	
Residential	12,537,780	
Commercial	6,001,000	
Total of Taxable Land		18,542,210
Value of Buildings Only		
Residential	23,162,550	
Manufactured Housing	23,000	
Commercial	12,269,720	
Total of Taxable Buildings		35,455,270
Public Utilities		1,196,730
Total Valuation Before Exemptions		55,194,210
Total Dollar amount of Exemptions		-477,200
Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate is computed		54,717,010

Town of Warner Tax Rate

	2012	2013	2014
Municipal rate per thousand	8.59	9.19	9.29
County rate per thousand	2.83	2.64	2.58
Local school rate per thousand	11.44	11.77	12.72
State school rate per thousand	2.38	2.42	2.27
Total rate per thousand	25.24	26.02	26.86
Precinct Tax per thousand	1.66	1.89	1.81

Schedule of Town Property

as of December 31, 2014

Town Hall Land & Building (Map 31 Lot 55)	751,170
-Furniture & Equipment	355,000
Covered Bridges	
-Dalton	285,000
-Waterloo	245,000
Library Land & Building (Map 31 Lot 1)	909,560
-Furniture & Equipment	677,000
Police Facility Land & Building (Map 14 Lot 6)	472,090
-Vehicles, Furniture & Equipment	385,110
Fire Department Land & Buildings	
(Map 29 Lot 1, Map 30 Lot 2, Map 31 Lot 29)	468,140
-Vehicles & Equipment	1,140,410
Transfer Station Buildings (Map 17 Lot 3-6)	147,510
-Transfer Station Equipment	159,440
Highway Department Land & Buildings	
(Map 17 Lot 3-6)	668,140
-Equipment	1,557,538
-Materials & Supplies	326,000
Gravel Pit (Map 3 Lot 23)	56,880
Parks, Commons & Playgrounds	
(Map 10 Lot 38 & Map 7 Lot 9)	309,180
Buildings & Equipment	138,700
Silver Lake Reservoir & Lands & Building	111,290
Chandler Reservation & Ski Tow Area	
(Map 9 Lots 12, 23, 24, 25 & Map 13 Lot 6)	1,182,560
Old Graded School (Map 32 Lot 30)	863,090
-Furniture & Equipment	202,130
Odd Fellows Building (Map 31 Lot 52)	164,330
Total:	11,575,268

Schedule of Town Property
as of December 31, 2014
All Lands & Buildings Acquired Through
Tax Collector's Deeds/Gifts

Map 1 Lot 3	Wiggin Trace	70,200
Map 2 Lot 5	Off Dummer Rd	24,400
Map 3 Lot 16-1	Off Route 103	12,800
Map 3 Lot 16-2	Off Route 103	8,750
Map 6 Lot 31(part of)	East Joppa Rd.	100
Map 6 Lot 35(part of)	East Joppa Rd.	100
Map 7 Lot 2	Interstate 89	1,080
Map 7 Lot 44	Off Tom's Pond Ln.	720
Map 7 Lot 45	Off Route 103	1,440
Map 7 Lot 46	Off Tom's Pond Ln.	820
Map 7 Lot 47	Off Interstate 89	1,290
Map 7 Lot 48	Off Interstate 89	1,520
Map 7 Lot 49	Off Interstate 89	700
Map 7 Lot 50	Warner River	820
Map 7 Lot 53	Off Interstate 89	29,190
Map 11 Lot 15	Off Schoodac Rd.	35,640
Map 13 Lot 3-8	Bean Rd.	51,350
Map 14 Lot 17	North Rd.	61,640
Map 14 Lot 46-1	Bartlett Loop	56,650
Map 16 Lot 4	Route 103 West	13,870
Map 16 Lot 46	Melvin Mills	3,400
Map 17 Lot 34	Route 103	17,340
Map 18 Lot 2	Off Interstate 89	210,700
Map 18 Lot 5	North Rd.	49,050
Map 18 Lot 6	North Rd.	85,100
Map 18 Lot 9	North Rd.	39,000
Map 18 Lot 12	North Rd.	64,500
Map 18 Lot 15	North Rd.	326,830
Map 18 Lot 16	North Rd.	59,850
Map 18 Lot 24	Kearsarge Mtn. Rd.	00
Map 21 Lot 9	Gore Rd.	63,750
Map 28 Lot 2	Tom's Pond Lane	4,820
Map 28 Lot 4-1	Tom's Pond Lane	16,200
Map 30 Lot 18	Denny Hill Rd.	2,270
Map 31 Lot 31	Kearsarge Mtn. Rd.	75,300
Map 31 Lot 63-3	Pumpkin Hill Rd.	27,710
Map 32 Lot 14	Cemetery Ln.	3,000
Map 32 Lot 17	Pine Grove Cemetery	00
Map 32 Lot 18	Cemetery Ln.	58,940
Map 34 Lot 24	Chemical Ln.	22,050
Total:		1,502,890

Town Clerk's Report

Our efforts to continue preserving Warner's historical Town Records were expanded when a generous gift of Town Reports, some dating back to before 1900, was given to the Town from a collection belonging to the late Dick Violette. Although the budget only allowed one decade, 1870 – 1879 (missing 1874, 76) to be sent out for preserving and micro-filming further deterioration on these volumes will be prevented. The reports will be bound in a way that will allow for missing years to be inserted. Thank you to the Violette family for sharing these valuable documents.

Dates to remember in 2015:

January 1: Vehicles with model year 2000 and newer will always need a Title from this year forward.

February 26: Thursday, last day for Town Clerk's Office to accept applications to register to vote.

March 9: Monday at 5 PM, last day to request and/or return an absentee ballot in person.

March 10: Tuesday, Town Election, 5 E Main St, Town Hall. Polls are open from 8 AM to 7 PM. Register to vote with the Supervisors of the Checklist with a photo ID and proof of residency on Election Day.

March 10: Absentee ballots accepted by mail only. Request an absentee ballot at the Town Clerk's Office or the Warner web site; requests accepted by mail, fax and scan/e-mail with the voter's signature.

March 11: Wednesday, annual Town Meeting, 7 PM, Warner Town Hall. Presentation of the 2015 proposed budget. Voter attendance encouraged for input on how tax dollars are spent.

April 30: All dogs, 4 months and older, must be licensed and have up to date rabies on file. License at the Town Clerk's Office or renew on line at the Warner website or through the mail.

June 1: \$1.00 penalty per dog for each month a license is late. Additional \$25 fines apply in July. Dog License Fees: \$6.50 less than 7 months old or Spayed/Neutered, \$9.00 7+ months and not spayed/neutered, \$20.00 commercial groups or kennels of 5 dogs or more.

Up to 4 months early: Earliest time that a registration may be renewed.

Motor Vehicle Transactions: MV information is non-public. The State requires the person making the transaction to present a driver's license. The previous registration is required when renewing or transferring plates. New registrations for vehicles (or trailers with a GVW over 3,000 lbs) and model year 2000 or newer need the original title. Vehicles and trailers with model years 1999 and earlier need one of the following: Copy or original of the title or last registration or a completed *Verification of Vehicle Number* form – available at the Town Clerk's Office, an Inspection Station, a Dealer or printed from the NH DMV web site.

Registration Renewal fees and New Vehicle estimates are available at warner.nh.us under "Department > Town Clerk > e-Reg". Other on-line services include Vehicle and Dog License renewals and Birth, Marriage or Death record requests. Payment

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options include ACH, Credit or Debit Card. Processing and mail return of requests are made during office hours. Please consider that when a registration is needed before month end.

Both residents and non-residents may register a boat, a snowmobile (or other off high-way road vehicle) or buy a fishing or hunting license. Please bring the previous years registration for a boat or OHRV or the complete information to register a new item. Snowmobile Club membership is available in the office and reduces the cost of each snowmobile registration.

Passenger, Agriculture, Farm, Trailer and Motorcycle plates are available in the Office as well as Conservation plates +\$30, State Park plates +\$85 (allows all passengers in the vehicle to enter most of the NH State Parks for free). Vanity plates +\$40 yearly, may be ordered for various plate types, too.

There is a lot of helpful information and many forms available on-line: nh.gov, Department of Safety, Motor Vehicle, nh.gov/safety/divisions/dmv/, Secretary of State's Office, Elections, sos.nh.gov/Elections.aspx, and Department of Fish and Game, wildlife.state.nh.us. Do not hesitate to call the office 456-2298 ext 5 or 6 or email townclerk@warner.nh.us when you have questions or need information. Michele and I are happy to assist you or find someone who can. It is a pleasure to work for the wonderful residents of Warner.

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	434,752
Boat Permit Fees	775
Off Highway Road Vehicles Permit Fees	567
Dog Licenses	4,795
Dog License Penalties	476
Dog Fines	1,125
Candidacy Filing Fees	4
Marriage Applications	675
Vital Record Copies	1,340
Uniform Commercial Code	825
On-line Fees, Certified Mailings	222
Miscellaneous Revenue	112
Hunting and fishing Licenses	237
Total:	445,904

*Respectfully submitted,
Judith A. Newman-Rogers
Town Clerk*

Tax Collector's Report
Year Ending December 31, 2014

	Levy for Year of this Report		Prior Years
Debits	2014	2013	2012...
Uncollected Taxes			
Property Taxes		407,059	25,384
Land Use Change Tax		5,047	
Yield Taxes		392	1,941
Excavation Tax			10
Penalties			
Other Charges		25	
Property Tax Credits	(5,295)		
Taxes Committed			
Property Taxes	7,652,533		
Land Use Change Tax	4,313		
Yield Taxes	5,895	28,506	
Excavation Tax		182	
Other Charges	70	70	
Overpayment			
Property Taxes	1,439		
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes	627		
Refund Interest/Penalties			
Interest			
Collected Interest	6,984	22,406	277
Penalties			
Costs Before Lien		2,898	
Total Debits	7,666,567	466,585	27,612

Tax Collector's Report (cont.)
Year Ending December 31, 2014

Credits	Levy for Year of this Report		Prior Years
Remitted to Treasurer:	2014	2013	2012...
Property Taxes	7,272,137	196,727	
Land Use Change Tax	4,313	5,047	
Yield Taxes	5,895	28,403	
Interest	6,984	22,406	277
Penalties			
Excavation Tax		182	10
Conversion to Lien		210,172	1,941
Cost not Liened		483	
Other Charges	70	60	
Abatements Made:			
Property Taxes	4,257		
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes	627	113	
Excavation Tax			
Interest			
Inventory Penalties			
Other Charges			
Current Levy Deeded		927	
Uncollected Taxes			
Property Taxes	377,846	1,683	25,384
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes		382	
Excavation Tax			
Penalties & Fees			
Property Tax Credit Bal.	(5,563)		
Total Credits	7,666,567	466,585	27,612

Tax Collector's Report (cont.)
Year Ending December 31, 2014

Debits	Last Year's Levy		Prior Years
	2013	2012	2011...
Unredeemed Liens			
Balance	-	154,730	111,403
Liens Executed	226,498		
Interest & Costs Coll.	6,655	16,581	32,613
Total Debits	233,152	171,312	144,015
Credits			
Redemption	105,357	73,518	82,870
Interest & Costs Coll.	6,655	16,581	32,032
Abatements	1,850		702
Liens Deeded to Munic.	-	1,003	3,294
Balance End of Year	119,291	80,209	25,118
Total Credits	233,152	171,312	144,015

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15a)? Yes.

Tax Collector's Report (cont.)
List of Unredeemed Taxes as of December 31, 2014

	2013	2012	Prior
Akins, Wayne H. & Autumn L.	85	83	
Alwyn, Simone-Alys	1,118	1,089	
Azmy, Gamil & Lois A.	1,740		
Baker, Love Queena & Mark Leslie	1,082	1,054	
Barton, Barbara M. & Larry D.	2,107		
Bowers, Walter Jr. & Debbie	3,254		
Brayshaw, Virginia J.	7,845	7,636	
Cote, Philip A. & Donna N.	1,435	46	
Davis, Glenn	6,644	3,255	
Dickey, Judy Mae	3,609	3,513	7,094
Driscoll, Ronald J. & Jacqueline M.		2,645	4,133
Erickson Rev Trust, Barbara	2,176	2,118	2,157
Fairbanks, Daniel & Brittany Plaisted	711		
Fisher, Richard		4,685	
Flanders Estate, Edith	1,694	1,649	
Flanders, David & Virginia			1,327
Gerrard, Stephen & Rita		3,610	6,167
Henriksen, Bruce & Judy	354	330	
Hill, Linda & Ed	2,136	2,079	
Hodgman, Mary	4,010	4,327	
Holbrook, Marie E.	579	564	267
Howe, Ann Lawless	9,714	636	
Keeler, Robert & Mary	4,911	4,780	
Klossner, Michael A.	1,171		
Lafrance, Robert	1,051		
Lamprey, Chester & Angela M.	2,186	2,128	
Latvian Lutheran Church Camp for Various buildings of others	1,819	229	
Laurie, Belinda & John E. Farewell	2,071	1,013	
Letendre, Larry	2,664	2,594	
Locke, Brent H. & Brenda L. Meattay	1,991		

Tax Collector's Report (cont.)
List of Unredeemed Taxes as of December 31, 2014

	2013	2012	Prior
Lubien, Geoffrey & Maryann	9,543	9,214	
Mahoney, Everett S.	1,393		
Mayo, Christopher & Ellen	3,357		3,972
McLauchlan, Ian R. Jr. & Wendy Lynn	462	450	
Mingarelli, Ronald & Rosanne	4,301		
Neville, George T.	3,931	1,061	
Place, Estate of George & Betty	2,288	2,228	
Routhier, Richard R.	3,897	3,794	
Shaw, Donald H. Jr.	2,638		
Simon, Michael	4,302	4,188	
Suchomski, Matthew P.	4,143	4,033	
Thorpe, Lon & Katherine	3,719		
Tucker, Calvin Jr.	1,504		
West River Road LLC	336		
Whiting, Dorothy H.	2,588	2,519	
Whiting, Dorothy H. & Fairfield Jr.	2,118	2,062	
Whittemore, Julie	612	597	
Totals	119,291	80,209	25,118

Respectfully submit,
Marianne Howlett
Tax Collector

Report of the Town Treasurer
Statement of Income
January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2014		1,643,539
Board of Selectmen		
	Payment in Lieu of Taxes	17,791
	Business Licenses, Permits, and Filing Fees	3,538
	Building Permits	8,643
	Shared Revenue	5,125
	Meals & Room Tax	137,979
	Highway Block Grant	111,650
	State and Federal Forest Land Reimb.	1,250
	Income from Departments	138,692
	Sale of Town Property	550
	Interest on Investments	487
	Rent of Town Property	24,524
	Misc. Revenue	10,630
	Trust and Agency Funds	0
Total Receipts - Board of Selectmen		460,860
Town Clerk		
	Motor Vehicle, Boat & OHRV Permit Fees	436,094
	Other Agencies, Permits, and Fees	9,525
	Miscellaneous Revenue (including NSF Fees)	285
Total Receipts - Town Clerk		445,904

Report of the Town Treasurer (cont.)

Statement of Income

January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

Tax Collector		
	2014 Property Tax	7,274,293
	2014 Property Tax Interest	6,984
	2013 Property Tax	402,293
	2013 Property Tax Interest	22,010
	2014 Land Use Change Tax	4,313
	2013 Land Use Change Tax	5,047
	2013 Land Use Change Tax Interest	360
	2014 Timber Tax	5,895
	2013 Timber Tax	28,403
	2013 Timber Tax Interest	36
	2012 Timber Tax	1,941
	2012 Timber Tax Interest	277
	2013 Property Tax Redemption	105,357
	2013 Property Tax Redemption Interest	6,655
	2012 Property Tax Redemption	73,518
	2012 Property Tax Redemption Interest	16,581
	2011 Property Tax Redemption	75,069
	2011 Property Tax Redemption Interest	24,327
	2010 Property Tax Redemption	3,844
	2010 Property Tax Redemption Interest	5,220
	2009 Property Tax Redemption	3,957
	2009 Property Tax Redemption Interest	2,485
	2013 Gravel Pit Excavation Tax	182
	2012 Gravel Pit Excavation Tax	10
	2012 Gravel Pit Excavation Interest	0
	2013 Fees, Tax Lien	2,898
	2014 NSF Fees	165
	Total Receipts - Tax Collector	8,072,120
	Total Receipts	8,978,885
	Expenditures	8,593,581
	Deposited to Conservation Commission	9,359
	Bank Statement Balance as of December 21, 2014	2,019,484
	Distributed as follows: Sugar River Bank	2,019,484

Report of the Town Treasurer (cont.)

Special Accounts and Funds

January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

Beautification Fund	
On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2014	3,454
Interest Earned	3
Deposits	33
Expenses	326
Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2014	3,164
Chandler Reservation	
On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2014	95,879
Interest Earned	451
Deposits	36,104
Expenses	-
Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2014	132,435
Conservation Commission	
On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2014	83,372
Interest Earned	107
Deposits	9,750
Expenses	-
Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2014	93,229
Hazardous Materials	
On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2014	4,021
Interest Earned	4
Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2014	4,025
North Road Town Forest	
On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2014	31,032
Deposits	-
Interest Earned	9
Expenses	20,530
Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2014	10,511

Report of the Town Treasurer (cont.)
Special Accounts and Funds
January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014

Planning Board Fees	
On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2014	23
Interest Earned	0
Deposits	3,682
Expenses	3,682
Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2014	23
Timber Bond	
On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2014	6,831
Interest Earned	6
Deposits	12,166
Withdrawals	8,486
Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2014	10,517

Respectfully submitted,
Gail Holmes
Treasurer

Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report

Selectmen's Office		
Selectmen Salary	9,282	
Telephone	5,795	
Computer Expenses	9,265	
Town Report Printing	3,282	
Newsletter	1,718	
Dues & Subscriptions	2,491	
Office Supplies	3,057	
Postage	2,120	
Mileage	960	
Expense of Town Officers	2,838	
Meetings/Seminars	1,050	
Advertising	311	
Town Administrator Salary	66,051	
Secretary Salary	31,753	
		139,973
Elections		
Moderator/Asst. Moderator	200	
Supervisors of the Checklist Salary	1,427	
Postage & Advertising	218	
Supplies	72	
Meals	562	
		2,479
Finance Office Salary		25,484
Auditor Expense		16,158
Tax Collector		
Tax Collector Salary	37,052	
Deputy Tax Collector Salary	1,050	
Computer Expenses	1,880	
Tax Lien Research	1,091	
Printing	657	
Office Supplies	377	
Postage & PO Box Rent	2,940	
Meetings/Seminars/Mileage	70	
		45,118

Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)

Treasurer		
Treasurer Salary	4,550	
Deputy Treasurer Salary	262	
		4,812
Town Clerk		
Town Clerk Salary	49,474	
Deputy Town Clerk Salary	20,515	
Computer Expenses	3,234	
Membership Dues	65	
Supplies	974	
Postage	701	
Mileage	233	
Books & Periodicals	39	
Record Preservation	1,876	
Meetings/Seminars	180	
Conference & Education	534	
		77,825
Trustees of Trust Funds		
Trustees Salary		500
Assessing		
Salary	26,099	
Outside Services	3,000	
Town Forester	231	
Registry of Deeds	56	
Appraisal Review	2,400	
Tax Maps	202	
Computer Expenses	2,788	
Office Supplies	774	
Postage	966	
Meetings/Seminars	45	
Mileage	48	
		36,610
Legal Expenses		18,467

Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)

Benefits		
Social Security Costs	46,154	
Medicare Costs	13,943	
Health Insurance	72,198	
Life Insurance	276	
STD Insurance	1,091	
NH Retirement	16,563	
		150,225
Land Use Office		
Clerk Salary	20,332	
Legal Expense	143	
Registry of Deeds	406	
Supplies	482	
Mileage	158	
Tax Map	624	
Meetings/Seminars	635	
Advertising	1,039	
		23,820
General Government Buildings		
TH - Bldg Maint. Tech. Salary	12,731	
Custodian Salary	2,555	
TH - Electricity	4,148	
TH - Heating Fuel	8,255	
TH - Water/Sewer	816	
TH - Fire Alarm System	596	
TH - Supplies	1,123	
TH - Maintenance/Repairs	8,656	
TH - Mileage	629	
TH - Equipment	780	
OGS - Electricity	4,293	
OGS - Heating Fuel	9,863	
OGS - Water/Sewer	886	
OGS - Sprinkler/Fire Alarm	538	
OGS - Supplies	13	
OGS - Maintenance/Repairs	4,910	
OGS - Propane	200	
		60,989
Cemeteries		12,340

Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)

Insurances		
Property Liability Insurance	37,631	
Unemployment Insurance	5,682	
Worker's Comp Insurance	59,113	
		102,425
Outside Services		
Central NH Region Planning Comm.	3,149	
CAP	15,792	
		18,941
Police		
Salary - Dept. Head	72,422	
Wages – Full time	192,384	
Wages – Part time	21,786	
Lawn Care Wages	457	
Building Custodian Wages	1,813	
Benefits - Health Insurance	52,853	
Benefits - Life Insurance	262	
Benefits - STD Insurance	1,117	
Benefits - NH Retirement	62,515	
Telephone	4,641	
Contract Services	14,853	
Electricity	4,482	
Heat	2,983	
Water / Sewer	341	
Uniforms	5,059	
Office Supplies	4,887	
Equipment Maintenance & Purchase	633	
Vehicle Fuel	7,524	
Cruiser Expense	2,244	
Safety Equipment	774	
Training	229	
Special Detail	10,043	
Grants	4,000	
Building Maintenance	10,552	
		478,852

Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)

Ambulance		72,550
Fire		
Salaries	8,219	
Fire Wages	40,190	
Telephone	2,158	
Electricity	2,574	
Heat	3,422	
Water / Sewer	141	
Equipment Maintenance	3,498	
Medical Supplies	2,804	
Supplies	504	
Vehicle Fuel	2,761	
Truck Maintenance	8,182	
New/Replaced Equipment	19,928	
Propane	353	
Fire Prevention	399	
Training	3,889	
Dispatch Service	22,613	
Radio Maintenance	3,499	
Building Maintenance	1,448	
Forest Fires	675	
		127,258
Building Inspection Salary		
Building Inspection Salary	2,403	
Mileage Reimbursement	307	
Compliance Officer Salary	475	
		3,185
Emergency Management		
Salary	2,900	
Telephone	524	
Supplies	370	
Equipment Maintenance	164	
Travel & Education	430	
LEPC Administration	128	
		4,515

Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)

Highway		
Salary - Dept. Head	51,471	
Salary - Full Time	218,882	
Salary - Part Time	20,683	
Paving	120,841	
Block Grant Outside Rental	47,459	
Bridge Maintenance	-	
Line Striping	4,200	
Block Grant Gravel	54,407	
Benefits - Health Insurance	82,884	
Benefits - Life Insurance	368	
Benefits - STD Insurance	1,534	
Benefits - NH Retirement	31,898	
Telephone	1,699	
Outside Repairs	25,767	
Electricity	4,471	
Heat	8,651	
Silver Lake Dam	436	
Fire/Intrusion Alarm	749	
Uniforms	8,511	
Supplies	49,067	
Shop Repairs	1,081	
Gas/Diesel	65,039	
Parts	59,802	
Guardrails	308	
Calcium Chloride	2,756	
Culverts	3,277	
New Equipment	3,782	
Signs	2,549	
Safety Programs	1,117	
Block Grant - Winter Sand	11,516	
Salt	40,495	
		925,701
Street Lighting		10,220

Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)

Transfer Station		
Salary - Full Time	26,645	
Salary - Part Time	47,490	
Telephone	383	
Disposal Costs	8,686	
Electricity	4,761	
Heat	2,851	
Building Maintenance	1,717	
Fire Alarm System	312	
Uniforms	170	
Office & Shop Supplies	1,996	
Equipment Maint./Repairs	6,851	
Vehicle Fuel	507	
Improvements & Grounds Maint.	2,200	
Meetings/Seminars	76	
Safety Equipment/Programs	541	
Transportation	14,094	
Concord Regional	58,423	
Demo Tipping Fees	6,826	
NE Resource Recovery	142	
Recycling Costs	742	
Hazardous Waste Disposal	6,915	
		192,327
Health Department		
Salary	1,200	
Expenses	35	
		1,235
Lake Sunapee VNA		
		7,883
Welfare		
Direct Assistance	13,435	
		13,435
Parks & Recreation		
Maintenance Salary	12,709	
Electricity	2,292	
Sanitation	1,614	
Improvements & Maintenance Supplies	6,521	
Beach	127	
		23,263

Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)

Pillsbury Free Library		
Payroll	110,582	
Total Insurance Benefits	19,387	
Retirement	4,940	
Social Security & Medicare	8,460	
Allotment Balance	46,133	
		189,502
Memorial Day		
		1,500
Conservation Commission		
Dues	245	
Supplies	100	
		345
Bond Principal		
		58,088
Bond Interest		
		2,024
Fire Truck Loan Principal		
		21,781
Fire Truck Loan Interest		
		10,474
Hopkinton Land-fill		
		24,698
Rail Trail Expense		
		6,102
Capital Reserve Funds		
Hwy Rd Construction Projects CRF	175,000	
Hwy Equipment CRF	100,000	
Property Revaluation CRF	20,000	
Bridges CRF	25,000	
Exit 9 CRF	45,000	
Fire/Rescue Vehicles CRF	70,000	
Fire Dept Bldg/Renovation CRF	25,000	
Odd Fellows Building CRF	5,000	
Transfer Station Equipment CRF	5,000	
TH Bldg Improvements CRF	5,000	
Police Vehicle CRF	10,000	
		485,000

Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)

Other Funds/Items/Taxes		
C.C. - Land Acquisition Fund		-
KRSD - SAU #65 - School Tax		4,099,998
Merrimack County Tax		735,829
Warner Village Water Precinct Tax		98,495
Town Taxes Paid (Tax, Interest, Sale & Notification Costs)		226,498
State of NH (Vital Record Fees, Marriage Licenses, etc.)		1,373
NH Fish and Game		1,726
Tax Abatements		2,783
Refunds		
Property Tax Over payment refunds		1,498
Land Use Refund		200
Prior years Encumbrances		
Police Pistols		1,036
PD Wash Bay		2,400
Tire for Wheel Loader		7,371
Transfer Station Oil Furnace		8,270
Record Preservation		10,000
Total Expenditures	\$	8,593,581

Nancy Sibley Wilkins Trust Fund

Beginning Value as of January 1, 2014	148,393.25
Contributions	0.00
Net Investment Return	8,124.38
Foundation Fees	(1,071.16)
Expenses	0.00
Distributions/Grants	(2,211.03)
Transfers	<u>0.00</u>
Ending Value as of December 31, 2014	153,235.44

Many funds have both a cash and invested balance. The cash balance is the amount available for grant making as of the report date. This differs from the full year amount available for grant making, which includes quarterly earnings from the endowment. The invested balance is the amount in the endowment.

The Nancy Sibley Wilkins – Town of Warner Trust Fund was established under the will of Nancy Sibley Wilkins to benefit the Townspeople of Warner through causes found worthy by a board of four Trustees. The fund endowment (\$100,000.00) is managed by the NH Charitable Foundation. Distributions of income are by grants made from time to time as determined by the Trustees in response to grant and loan applications.

In making grants, the Trustees will give priority consideration to projects undertaken by local non-profit organizations or public agencies for which grants will:

- ... Provide seed money, bridge funding, capital improvements or leverage for grantees to become more effective or to expand services or resources in order to confer greater general benefit to the people of Warner
- ... Support exemplary programs where modest amounts available will have the greatest impact
- ... Enable grantees to build diverse sources of support without dependence upon regular grants from the Trust

Applications for grants from the Trust may be submitted to any of the Trustees or the Selectmen's Office at any time.

Respectfully submitted,
Ray Martin, Trustee
David E. Hartman, Advisory Committee Member
from the Board of Selectmen
Richard Hedrick - Advisory Committee Member
from the Historical Society
Christine Perkins - Advisory Committee Member
from the United Church of Warner
George Smith - Advisory Committee Member and Member at Large

*Report of the Almoners
of the Foster & Currier Funds
Year Ending December 31, 2014*

John Foster Fund

Balance on hand, January 1, 2014	0.00	
Received from the Trustees of Trust Funds, Warner	139.37	
Paid out during 2014:		
Assistance granted	-139.37	
Pillsbury Free Library	0.00	
Balance in Fund, December 31, 2014		0.00

Walter S. Currier Fund

Balance on hand January 1, 2014	12,214.60	
Received from the Trustees of Trust Funds, Warner	95.40	
Received from checking account interest	1.10	
Received from CD interest	35.06	
Paid out for assistance during 2014	-110.63	
Balance in Fund, December 31, 2014		12,235.53

Summary of Accounts & Balances, December 31, 2014

Sugar River Bank (checking account)	2,214.99	
Sugar River Bank (Certificate of Deposit)	10,020.54	
		12,235.53
 John Foster Fund Balance	 0.00	
Walter S. Currier Fund Balance	12,235.53	
		12,235.53

*Respectfully submitted,
Jere Henley - Treasurer
Penny Sue Courser
O. Fred Hill*

Report of Trustees of Trust Funds

Capital Reserves

As of December 31, 2014

	Beginning Balance	Deposits/ Income	Paid Out/Fees	Ending Balance
Capital Reserves				
New Waterloo Cemetery	11,498	17	-	11,515
Highway Equipment	206,390	100,070	179,964	126,496
Fire/Rescue Vehicles	100,502	120,305	-	220,807
Property Revaluation	124,303	25,174	27,077	122,400
Fire Dept. Bldg. Renovation	1,247	25,007	1,247	25,007
Traffic Control Signal Exit 9	588	-	588	-
Highway Road Const.	268,287	176,126	-	444,413
Bridge Replacement/Maint.	73,513	25,105	14,083	84,535
Town Hall Bldg. Improvement	12,296	5,043	250	17,089
Exit 9 Improvements	100,680	45,141	35,603	110,218
Purchase of Police Vehicles	1,968	25,020	-	26,988
Dry Hydrants	16,412	58	-	16,470
Transfer Station Equipment	26,093	5,035	6,250	24,878
Odd Fellows Bldg. Hazard Mi	-	5,000	-	5,000
Contingency Fund RSA 31:98	-	10,005	-	10,005
Capital Reserve Total	943,777	567,105	265,063	1,245,821

Report of Trustees of Trust Funds

As of December 31, 2014

	Beginning Balance	Deposits/ Income	Paid Out/Fees	Ending Balance
<u>Town Cemeteries</u>				
Coal Hearth Cemetery	681	66	22	725
Schoodac Cemetery	6,195	603	200	6,598
Davisville Cemetery	9,534	928	307	10,155
Lower Warner Cemetery	1,933	188	62	2,059
Waterloo Cemetery	1,467	143	47	1,563
Tory Hill Cemetery	888	86	29	945
Melvin Mills Cemetery	210	20	7	223
New Waterloo Cemetery	21,143	2,888	684	23,347
Total	42,051	4,923	1,359	45,615
<u>Pine Grove Cemetery</u>				
Pine Grove Cemetery	55,153	4,612	11,793	47,972
Redington, Ida M Trust	7,843	271	58	8,056
Total	62,996	4,883	11,852	56,027
<u>Pine Grove Cemetery Association, Inc</u>				
Buswell, Augusta C	1,512	115	9	1,618
Clough, Zora C	3,023	231	19	3,235
Ferrin, Adelaide E	431	33	3	461
Hayes, Frances Redding	3,023	231	19	3,235
Total	7,989	610	50	8,549

Report of Trustees of Trust Funds (cont.)

As of December 31, 2014

	Beginning Balance	Deposits/ Income	Paid Out/Fees	Ending Balance
Almoners of the Foster Currier Funds				
Currier, Walter S.	3,667	357	118	3,906
Foster, John	5,356	521	173	5,704
Total	9,023	878	291	9,610
Library Funds				
Andrews, Alice G	1,048	102	34	1,116
Cheney, Perry H	1,048	102	34	1,116
Foster, John	3,143	306	101	3,348
Miner, Walter P	524	51	17	558
Mitchell, Lawrence	210	20	7	223
Subtotal	5,971	581	193	6,359
1/2 of Runels Fund income	5,407	1,952	767	6,592
Total	11,378	2,533	959	12,952
KRH School Funds				
Ancient School Fund	642	62	21	683
Clough, Zora	3,143	306	101	3,348
Flanders, Phoebe	896	87	29	954
Thompson, Arthur	8,144	792	263	8,673
Subtotal	12,824	1,248	414	13,658
1/2 of Runels Fund income	5,407	1,952	767	6,592
Total	18,231	3,200	1,180	20,251
Simonds School Funds				
Bartlett Trust Fund	65,318	4,567	908	68,977
Davis, William D.	-	-	-	-
Total	65,318	4,567	908	68,977
Scholarship Funds				
Warner Grange	7,312	498	46	7,764
Willis, Edward S	26,785	2,631	717	28,699
Total	34,097	3,129	762	36,464

Report of Trustees of Trust Funds (cont.)

As of December 31, 2014

	Beginning Balance	Deposits/ Income	Paid Out/Fees	Ending Balance
Miscellaneous Funds				
Cheney, Perry H	5,611	234	35	5,810
Neely, Robert S	382	12	2	392
Parsonage Fund	389	38	13	414
Public Land Fund	963	94	31	1,026
Tewksbury & Trumbull	3,837	154	24	3,967
Redington, Ida M Trust	-	207	44	163
Total	11,182	738	149	11,771
Runels Fund				
Runels Fund	35,889	3,500	223	39,166
Cap. Gains & Income from Fidelity	11,404	-	-	11,404
Total	47,293	3,500	223	50,570
Warner General Funds Trust				
New Waterloo Cem Maint	13,102	784	82	13,804
Davis ville Cemetery Maint	2,420	152	15	2,557
Total	15,521	936	97	16,360
Expendable Forest Fire Trust	47,038	24	-	47,062
Cemetery Expendable Trust	5,800	9	-	5,809
Radio Expendable Trust	2,925	3	1,856	1,072
Employee Health Ins. Expendable Trust	15,000	30	3,068	11,962
William D. Davis Savings	11,354	66	515	10,905
Rosa Valpey Memorial	10,073	17	3,672	6,418
Total	92,190	149	9,111	83,228
Total of all Trust Funds	417,270	30,045	26,941	420,374
Total of all Common Funds	313,676	29,896	17,830	325,742
* Beginning balance adjusted				

TOWN WARRANT
For the Town of Warner
The State of New Hampshire

TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2015
8:00 A.M. To 7:00 P.M.
WARNER TOWN HALL

TO THE INHABITANTS OF THE TOWN OF WARNER, IN THE COUNTY OF
MERRIMACK,
IN SAID STATE, QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN TOWN AFFAIRS:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Warner Town Hall in said Warner, NH on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 beginning at eight o'clock in the morning, and ending at seven o'clock in the evening to elect officers of the Town by official ballot and to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1

To choose Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Article 2

Shall we permit the public library to retain all money it receives from its income-generating equipment to be used for general repairs and upgrading and for the purchase of books, supplies and income generating equipment?

The following Zoning Ordinance Amendments are the condensed versions of the full zoning changes that are being proposed and recommended by the Warner Planning Board. The complete version is available at the Land Use Office, the Selectmen's Office, the Town Website, and will be available at the polls on Town Election Day, March 10, 2015.

Article 3

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend **Article II DISTRICTS**, by adding language for amending and interpreting the Official Zoning Map.

and, amend **Article II DISTRICTS**, by adopting the updated Official Zoning Map and revision notes as posted in the Town Hall creating a current Official Zoning Map to be dated March 10, 2015. This map clarifies with a higher level of description details but does not materially change previously approved Town Zoning District boundary line locations. Information was obtained from archive research.

Article 4

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend **Article III Definitions**, to revise the existing definition of Home Occupation and add a definition for Legal Resident;

and, amend **Article IV General Provisions**, section P, to revise Home Occupation requirements and delineate when Site Plan Review is required;

and, amend **Table 1 - Use Regulation**, Accessory Use item #1 Home Occupation, to reference Article IV P. requirements.

Article 5

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend **Table 1, Use Regulations – RETAIL AND SERVICES**: Revise existing language by adding “or renting” as highlighted in the following:

Item #2. Retail establishment selling or renting general merchandise, including, but not limited to: dry goods, apparel and accessories, furniture and home furnishing, home equipment, small wares, and hardware and including discount and limited price variety stores

and,

Item #6. Establishment selling or renting new or new and used automobiles and trucks, new automobile tires and other accessories, aircraft, boats, motorcycles and household trailers

Article 6

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend **Table 1, Use Regulations – RETAIL AND SERVICES**: by adding a new item #19-a as follows:

“Other amusement and recreation service, outdoor; excluding camping groups”, and indicate it to be allowed by Special Exception only in Zoning District C-1 Commercial.

Article 7

Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #5 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend **Article XII Sign Requirements** by revising sections A & B to clarify sign requirements and the permit process; and add section E for Temporary Sign requirements.

ADJOURN TO WEDNESDAY MARCH 11, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.

Article 8

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,966,835 (Two Million Nine Hundred Sixty Six Thousand, Eight Hundred Thirty Five Dollars) as a 2015 Operating Budget? This amount does not include amounts from any other warrant articles. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7-0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 9

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the amount of \$600,000 (Six Hundred Thousand Dollars) for the construction of the Roundabout on Route 103 near Exit 9 on I -89, of which \$400,000 (Four Hundred Thousand Dollars, which represents 66% of project cost) will be reimbursed by the NHDOT, \$114,000 (One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Dollars) will come from General Fund Balance (NHDOT reimbursement for Phase 1 & 2 design), \$45,000 (Forty-Five Thousand Dollars) will come from the Exit 9 Improvements Capital Reserve Fund and \$41,000 (Forty-One Thousand Dollars) will come from taxation. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7 – 0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 10

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7 – 0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 11

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to add to the already established Police Department Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7 – 0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 12

Shall the Town establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purchase a new fire station site, and design and construction of a new fire station on that site, and further to raise and appropriate the sum of \$165,000 (One Hundred Sixty Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this fund? Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 4 – 3) (Majority vote required.)

Article 13

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$288,000 (Two Hundred Eighty Eight Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Highway Road Construction Capital Reserve Fund? \$139,000 (One Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand Dollars) will come from General Fund Balance, \$149,000 (One Hundred Forty Nine Thousand Dollars) to come from taxation. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7 – 0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 14

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$53,000 (Fifty-Three Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 4 – 3) (Majority vote required.)

Article 15

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7 – 0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 16

Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars) to the previously established Odd Fellows Building Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of hazard mitigation of this Brownfield site? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 5 – 2) (Majority vote required.)

Article 17

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Town Hall Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7 – 0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 18

Shall the Town raise and appropriate \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) for the preservation of Town Records? This is a Special Warrant Article. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7 – 0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 19

Shall the Town vote to establish a contingency fund in accordance with RSA 31:98-a for the current year to be used by the Board of Selectmen for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate the amount of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be placed into the fund? This sum is to come from the General Fund Balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the General Fund. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7 – 0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 20

Shall the Town establish a Library Building Renovation Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for renovating and repairing the Pillsbury Free Library building and to raise and appropriate \$42,000 (Forty-Two Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this Fund? Further, to name the Board of Trustees of the Pillsbury Free Library as agents to expend from said fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7 – 0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 21

Shall the Town establish a DPW Facility Improvements Capital Reserve Fund to make improvements to the DPW buildings, to raise and appropriate \$5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this Fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7 – 0) (Majority vote required.)

Article 22

To see if the town will vote to adopt NH RSA 673:6, 1(a) to authorize the Board of Selectmen to Appoint, within their sole discretion, 5 (five) or fewer alternate members to the Warner Planning Board. An alternate member appointed by the Board of Selectmen shall serve a term of 3 (three) years. (Majority vote required.)

Article 23

“Resolved that the State of New Hampshire provide a comprehensive, meaningful system of funding for State Education needs. To see if the Town will vote to ask our governor and our state legislators to reform state funding for education with that reform to be directed to significant reduction of property taxes? The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Select Board to the governor and state legislators informing them of the instructions from their constituents within 30 days of the vote.” (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Majority vote required.)

Article 24

To see if the Town will direct the Board of Selectmen to place the town owned property identified as Map 29 Lot 001 (136 East Main Street) for sale prior to May 30, 2015. To be sold as described in said Deed as recorded at the Merrimack County Registry of Deeds on November 1, 2010. Sale of this property should take place as soon as possible. (Submitted By Petition) (Majority vote required.)

Article 25

To see if the town will establish a dog park on town owned land on East Main Street (Map 29, Lot 1), where dog owners can allow their dogs to exercise and run in safety and out of the way of activities at the other town owned parks and recreational fields. (Submitted By Petition) (Majority vote required.)

Article 26

Shall the Town vote to rescind the Board of Selectmen’s authority to act as authorized agents of the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Funds? All Expenditures henceforth must be approved by majority vote of the legal voters present and voting at an annual or special town meeting as per RSA 35:15. (Submitted By Petition) (Majority vote required.)

Article 27

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 23rd day of February in the year of our Lord Two Thousand and Fifteen.

Warner Board of Selectmen
David Hartman, Chairman
Clyde Carson, Selectman
Allan N. Brown, Selectman

Budget Committee

Our 2015 submitted budget, as always, was a very challenging task. Our final proposals for the operating budget, capital budget, water district budget, and anticipated revenue were not consummated without extensive and frequent work sessions with the Selectmen, Town Administrator, department heads, and the general public. There were disagreements and sometimes contentious exchanges of ideas. However, be assured that all participants had only the best interests of the town and its taxpayers as their priority.

The process started with the submission of the selectmen's proposed line item operating budget, capital budget, and anticipated revenue sheet. The water district also submitted their own budget proposal. Each budget was assessed, questioned, judged, and evaluated by the committee. The result of our work is a presentation to the town of our recommendation on each budget.

Operating Budget:

The Budget Committee's final proposed 2015 operating budget reflects a decrease of .01 % (-\$173) from last year. However, there was the sunsetting of a bond and its related interest, totaling \$60,112. Taking that into account reveals an adjusted real increase in spending of \$59,939 which is a little over a 2% increase.

The Capital Budget:

The town is facing many costly purchases in the near future. A new fire station, fire truck, police cruiser, a police SUV, a highway department truck, and new grader are a few of the more costly purchases that will be critically needed within the next few years. Despite this the committee is presenting a Capital Budget increasing of only 2.8%.

Warner Village Water District:

The water district budget was reduced by 45,798 this is a 9.4% reduction.

Estimated Revenue:

The estimate of total revenue for 2015 is \$1,559,830 which includes \$516,500 State DOT reimbursements for the roundabout, if construction is approved at town meeting

The committee thanks the Selectmen, Town Administrator, Department Heads and concerned citizens who took part in the process of developing the 2015 budget. Subsequent yearly budgets will prove to be an ever increasing challenge. We pledge to you to continue our effort in minimizing the real estate tax impact while maintaining important town services. We enthusiastically solicit members of the public to contact any of the committee members with suggestions on future savings ideas.

*Respectfully submitted,
Budget Committee*

Emergency Management

The year 2014 was like previous years with Warner continuing to respond and address natural disasters. We had the ice event in November where most of the town lost power. Power was not restored town wide for five days. Remember you should be prepared when disasters strike.

Warner's Hazardous Mitigation Plan received final approval from FEMA Region 1 in March. That means our next major plan update will be required in 2019. As part of the plan approval, our Hazard Mitigation Committee will review Chapter 10 twice per year. The Committee did meet during 2014 to update this Chapter. If you are interested in serving on this committee, please contact me.

Are you prepared? Do you know what to do when a natural disaster strikes? Do you have a family emergency plan? Do you have 72 hours of food, water, and medicine available in the event of a disaster? For more information, please go to ReadyNH.gov; or contact me for information. This site has been updated with more information on emergency planning for families as well as businesses. Additionally, this web site allows people to sign up for emergency alerts. You can sign up for NH Alerts notification on the ReadyNH.gov, or downloaded the app on your phone (or both).

Warner's Emergency Operation's Plan was totally updated in 2010 following the latest FEMA guidelines. As with any plan, it must be updated to stay current. Beginning earlier in 2014, we began updating our plan. We learned in the fall that the State was developing new guidance for future plans. This new guidance was expected before the end of 2014. When released, our Planning Team will continue to revise our Emergency Operation Plan. Remember that by having an up-to-date Emergency Operation Plan and Hazard Mitigation Plan, the Town can continue to apply for Federal and State grants that become available.

I would like to thank all involved with emergency management for your continued support and cooperation during the year. By continuing to work together, we will be better prepared when disaster strikes.

*Respectfully submitted,
Edward F. Mical
Coordinator*

Highway Department

At the beginning of 2014, the Town Highway crew finished another grueling winter. Spring clean-up seemed to be a nightmare for some crew members, but with the use of the Town's street sweeper at our finger tips, spring clean-up turned out to be nothing short of a simple task. The Town purchased a used street sweeper in 2011 for \$30,000. Prior to this purchase, the Town was spending an average of \$9,500 each year in street sweeping rental costs and had to accept the contractor's schedule in which the downtown area was brown with winter sand through Memorial Day in some years. In 2014 the DPW crew brought the street sweeper out to clean the village area three times: in the spring, before the USS Kearsarge crew members came to Warner, and for the Fall Foliage Festival weekend. Were we still renting this machine the clean up costs would have been exorbitant.

The Police Department lawn needed some drainage areas reworked and reseeded. We were able to address both once the crab grass and top soil were removed. Materials used on this project were all in stock except for a bag of grass seed and straw. The project took 3 weeks and was funded through the Police Department.

Another project completed in 2014 was a portion of Red Chimney Road. The total cost \$141,828. Funding for this project came from the Highway Department operating budget.

A section of Schoodac Road was paved costing \$47,890. The Highway crew also participated in helping with the construction of a rail trail down at Bagley Field. Construction and materials amounted to \$6,102.

*Respectfully submitted,
Matt Wait
Director of Public Works*

Fire Department

The Warner Fire and Rescue crews were again very busy. As usual the other departments in Warner were very supportive to us. I'd specifically like to thank the Police and Highway Departments for helping us out when needed at fires and medical emergencies. They always put in countless hours and are quick to lend a hand to whomever needs one.

Our new rescue vehicle, Rescue 2, has been used for many emergencies over the past year and has made it easier to access all residents. This rescue vehicle lets us cross over the two covered bridges in town and allows us to access the more difficult drive-ways. It has proven its worth to us already.

We said a sad goodbye to Deputy Chief Ernie Nichols as he and his wife, Doris, left to relocate in Montana to be near their daughter and her family. Ernie dedicated more than forty years of service to the Warner Fire and Rescue Department and for twenty-five of those years he was the Chief Forest Fire Warden. He has truly been missed since he has been gone.

Lieutenant John France replaced Deputy Chief Nichols as the new Deputy Chief and Firefighter Paul Raymond took over the duties as the Chief Forest Fire Warden. Replacing John France as Lieutenant is Mike Henley. We'd like to recognize our new members during 2014: Firefighters Damien St. Cyr, Jason Bishop, Anthony Nichols, and EMT Lauren Gibbons. Other news for 2014 is that you can now find us on Facebook where you will see information about safety. We are a work in progress and check us out to see what safety tips we share.

I'd like to remind everyone to check your fire and smoke detectors as well as your CO detectors and please make sure your residence number is clearly marked.

Incident Summary

Fires	29
Rescue & Medical Service	214
Hazardous Condition	16
Service Call	25
Good Intent Call	24
False Alarm	31
Special Incident	1
Total	340

*Respectfully submitted,
Ed Raymond
Fire Chief*

Police Department

The Town filled a vacant full-time position on the department in 2014. Officer Scott Leppard resigned after sixteen years with the department. We wish him the very best in his future endeavors.

The vacant position was filled with Officer Justin Crotty. He was previously a full-time officer on the Hooksett Police Department. He comes to us with seven years of experience and is proving to be a great addition to our department.

Officer Ben Tokarz organized and conducted a bicycle rodeo at Simond's Elementary School in 2014. The rodeo was funded by the Rosa Valpey Memorial Fund. Officer Tokarz continues with our DARE program and also conducted an internet safety lesson for the kindergarten class in 2014.

The department continues with Active Shooter training. An Active Shooter exercise was conducted in 2014 at Simond's Elementary School with the staff. At the conclusion of the exercise, a lengthy discussion took place with the staff regarding scenario related actions.

The department took delivery of new bullet resistant vests in 2014 which were purchased through a 50/50 grant obtained in 2013.

We ask if you park your vehicle on the roadway, please adhere to the town's parking ordinance within the winter months. Vehicles parked on any roadway, obstructing snow removal, between 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m. November 1st through April 30th are subject to be towed at the owner's expense.

If any resident or business owner observes anything out of the ordinary, they are encouraged to contact police. We would much rather investigate suspicious persons or vehicles and determine that it is not criminal in nature. A quick and accurate description of events, vehicles, and persons can make all the difference.

We are thankful for the continued support of the community and the administration throughout the year.

*Respectfully submitted,
Chief William E. Chandler*

Police Department

ACTIVITY STATISTICS 2014

<u>MOTOR VEHICLE</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
ACCIDENTS:	35	36
CITATIONS:	96	158
ASSIST MOTORIST:	64	47
WARNINGS:	688	895
TOTAL MOTOR VEHICLE:	883	1,136
<u>CRIMINAL:</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
INVESTIGATION:	728	784
JUVENILE:	10	3
UNTIMELY DEATHS:	2	5
WARRANTS:	14	23
ARRESTS:	46	41
TOTAL CRIMINAL:	800	856
<u>DISPATCH USAGE/CALLS</u>	<u>4,706</u>	<u>7,716</u>

Health Officer

Time sure has flown by, 2014 has already ended and 2015 has already begun. It was a steady year for the Health Officer. I did a few inspections and investigated some complaints this past year. All in all it was a good year for the residents of Warner from the Health Officer side. As I continue to be the Health Officer I would like to remind the residents of Warner of what I do. As a Health Officer I am appointed to a three year term by the Board of Selectmen. My scope of work is to enforce New Hampshire Public Health rules and laws as well as local ordinances and as a liaison between state officials and the local community on issues concerning local public health. Examples of some of these are:

Inspection of day care and foster homes, evaluation of septic system failures, and investigations of offensive odors.

The best way to reach me is to contact Mary Whalen at the Selectmen's office at 456-2298 ext. 2.

*Respectfully submitted,
Paul DiGeronimo - Health Officer*

Welfare Officer's Report

By State Statute, each town must provide assistance to the poor and needy. RSA 165 states: *“Whenever a person in any town is poor and unable to support himself, he shall be relieved and maintained by the overseers of public welfare of such town, whether or not he has residence there.”*

“Whenever a town provides assistance under this section, no such assistance shall be provided directly to a person or household in the form of cash payments.”

In meeting the town’s obligation as per RSA 165 while prudently managing Town funds, the Welfare Officer requires that each applicant for town assistance complete a detailed application for assistance, which includes providing timely financial documentation pertaining to assets, monthly income and expenses. Upon thorough evaluation of the application and supporting documents, and using the town guidelines, the welfare officer determines whether the applicant is eligible for welfare assistance and if so, for how much. The town does not offer cash assistance to the applicant but rather pays current bills such as utility and rent directly or provides vouchers for such items as food or gas, which are redeemed by the merchant to the Welfare office. Every effort is made to refer an applicant to agencies and organizations that provide specialized assistance to the needy. State agencies such as the Division of Family Assistance, or organizations such as the Salvation Army, Community Action Program (CAP), and the NH Housing Finance Authority, offer a variety of services from food stamps and fuel assistance to loans for security deposits and back rent to avoid eviction. The applicant is required to make appointments and apply to these agencies. Aid from these sources reduces the burden on the town to provide town funds dedicated for these needs. 2014 has seen a change in the number of applicants over last year seeking financial assistance. Our experience is that a percentage of households that apply seem to have adequate income to meet their obligations but lack the knowledge and skills in effectively manage their household finances, therefore running short on cash or falling behind on monthly bills.

The table below provides a summary and breakdown of the types of assistance that was provided. Please note that not all who apply receive town assistance, a number of applicants, upon careful review of their circumstances, were not eligible for town assistance through this program.

Type of Assistance	# of people	2013	# of people	2014
Rent	8	18,058	4	10,023
Mortgage			1	1,549
Fuel	2	968	0	439
Prescription	1	1,350	0	-
Electric	4	1,617	1	418
Propane			1	554
Car Payment			1	451
Denials			5	-
Total		21,993		13,435

Community Action Program (CAP)

The Community Action Program Belknap-Merrimack Counties, Inc. generates funds through the mobilization of available Federal, State and local monies. Support for the local Area Center is derived from a combination of Federal appropriations and local tax dollars. This combination allows the Kearsarge Valley Community Action Program to provide a variety of services to the residents of your community, from the development of programs that meet local needs, to outreach, referral and direct assistance.

In 2014 we served the following:

9,090 meals to 909 people	\$45,450.00
Fuel Assistance to 210 people	\$70,319.03
Electric Assistance to 98 people	\$40,060.11
USDA Commodity surplus food to local food pantries distributed 267 cases	\$5,647.66
Neighbor helping Neighbor provided assistance to 2 people who were eligible for fuel assistance	\$00.00
Weatherization provided 1 home with an energy efficient repair/replacement	\$00.00
Total	\$161,476.80

The staff of the Kearsarge Valley Area Center wishes to thank you and the Town of Warner for your support in the past. With your continued interest, we will be able to continue to provide needed services to the members of your community.

*Respectfully submitted,
Erin Reed
Area Director*

Concord Regional Solid Waste Cooperative

We are happy to report to all member communities that 2014 marked our twenty-fifth year of successful operations. Some items of interest follow:

The current tipping fee for Co-op members is \$65.20 per ton. The 2015 tipping fee is about \$1.60 less than 2014. Under the current contract extension Co-op communities will be billed directly by Wheelabrator for disposal costs. The current contract extension with Wheelabrator is for eight years

A total of 89,075 tons of Co-op waste was delivered to the Wheelabrator facility this year.

A total of 55,934 tons of ash were delivered to the Franklin ash monofill for disposal 2014. The landfill was closed, as planned, at the end of 2014. Under the terms of the current contract extension, Wheelabrator will deliver the ash to one of their facilities for disposal.

Because of the landfill closure, Co-op operations have been greatly reduced. The Penacook office will close at the end of January 2015 and will be relocated to the Franklin landfill site.

2015 Budget

1. Wheelabrator Concord Company Service Fee	0
2. Franklin Residue Landfill	
a. Operation and Maintenance	228,090
b. Closure Fund	1,272,693
c. Long Term Maintenance Fund	290,000
Total	1,790,783
3. Cooperative Expenses, Consultants & Studies	191,058
Total	1,981,841
4. Less: Interest	-500
Net Budget Total	1,981,341

Respectfully submitted,
Jim Presher, Director
Concord Regional Solid Waste/Resource Recovery Cooperative

Transfer & Recycling Station Revenue

Category	Revenue
Construction/Demo	4,648
Roofing	915
Monitors/Electronics	1,318
TVs	775
Furniture	863
Mattresses	748
White Goods	28
Freon Goods	750
Microwaves	80
Carpets	45
Snow Blower/Mower	40
Tires	611
Propane Tanks	134
Batteries	789
Camper	700
Alum, copper, brass	3,807
HDPE	823
PET	6,743
Plastics	2,170
Mixed Paper	112
Corrugated	1,153
Steel Cans	1,608
Scrap Metal	4,183
Batteries – Lead	2,501
Temp. Pass	14
Hauling Expense	-1,496
Total	34,062

The staff at the Transfer Station continues to make improvements to increase efficiencies and safety of their operations as well as make it easier for residents to dispose of their recycled material. Recycling is not only good for our environment, and reduces global energy consumption but generates revenue for the town. As you can see from the table above, revenue is generated from a range of material being brought to the transfer station. For some categories of debris and material, the revenue comes from fees charged. However, the actual cost of disposing this material is often greater than the fees collected.

Some material such as aluminum, plastic bottles, paper products and scrap metal are purchased by vendors and yields net positive revenue for the town. Every soda can or plastic container that is recycled instead of being tossed in the trash turns into money. Every dollar the Transfer Station earns through recycling is one dollar less that has to be raised from taxation. We very much appreciate the effort of our residents in their quiet weekly task of separating the recyclables from the trash.

Pillsbury Free Library

The library held 133 programs (118 children's), and the Frank Maria Meeting Room was used 197 times by groups including 50 Bridge group sessions and 29 tutoring sessions. In addition to weekly story hours and monthly craft activities, children's programming included a Great Stone Face voting party, an Autumn costume party, a play (Alice in Wonderland), and a food drive by the Gr. 4-7 Book Nook reading group. The summer reading program "Fizz, Boom, Read!" had 63 participating children who logged 1,654 books, and included a model rocket demo by Eric Swanson, a Firehouse visit with Ed Mical, and a performance by Scott Jameson. Lindsey Greenlaw was our youth helper this year. Programs for adults included a program about Nepal, Health Care Act enrollment, and two book sales. Displays included Alice in Wonderland books, and art by Patricia Sweet Macdonald and Karen Davies.

Online genealogy and magazine resources are still available, and in 2015 we are adding Transparent Languages Online. Please ask us for the passwords. Museum Passes were used a total of 134 times. (McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center/Planetarium, Museum of N.H. History, Museum of Fine Arts, Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, N.H. Telephone Museum, and The Fells).

Thank you to Dimentech.com, for hosting our <http://warner.lib.nh.us> website, and Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum and N.H. Telephone Museum for donating free passes for local use. As always, a huge thank you to our regular volunteers Robert Aarons, Judy Ackroyd, Devin Akins, Nan Cogswell, Betty Johnson, Sally Metheany, Marcia Moyer, Edith Rumrill, Robert Stuart, Margaret Schirmer, Kendra West-Senor, Lindsey Greenlaw and many other helpers for booksales and general assistance.

*Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Ladd,
Library Director*

Pillsbury Free Library Statistics

Circulation (check outs)	2012	2013	2014
Adult Books (incl. eBook*)	9,024	9,306	8,822
Children's/YA Books	16,710	15,667	17,344
Magazine (incl. on-line)	1,455	1,250	1,005
Audio/Video (incl. on-line)	9,409	8,861	8,540
Total	36,598	35,084	35,701

* Some eBooks are children's titles but we cannot count separately.

Collection Size	Owned 12/2013	Added 2014	Removed 2014	Owned 12/2014
Books	26,932	1,152	311	27,773
eBooks**	14	0	0	14
Audiobooks**	652	16	4	664
Music	233	9	0	242
Videos/DVDs	2,063	229	159	2,133
Mags./Newspapers	67	3	3	67
Electric File Discs	27	0	2	25
Microfilm	105	0	0	105
Total	30,093	1,409	479	31,023

** Not including 6,606 eBooks and 7,206 audio books downloadable online.

Registered Borrowers

New: 184 Deleted/Deceased: 27 Total Cards: 3,221

Inter-Library Loans

Items Borrowed: 741 Lent Out: 1,047 Total: 1,788

Computer Uses (includes wireless)

2,616

Equipment Borrowed

Projector: 39 times E-Readers, etc.: 18+ times

Pillsbury Free Library Trustees

This past year has been a very eventful one for the library. After many months of hard work by the library director and several trustees, we are pleased to announce that we were awarded a \$50,000 matching grant from LCHIP (Land and Community Heritage Investment Program). This grant will be used for a permanent solution for handling water drainage off the original 1891 roof. Once that work is completed, the process of repairing the resulting water damages to the brick and masonry façade plus interior repairs will begin.

In order to fully comprehend the condition of the entire library building, a Building Condition & Historic Assessment was undertaken, paid in part by other LCHIP funds as a grant from the NH Preservation Alliance. This very detailed study, prepared by the Sheerr McCrystal Palson Architecture firm of Concord, identified the roof drainage problem as a critical need requiring immediate attention.

At this year's Town Meeting, voters will be asked to approve a warrant article requesting \$42,000 be placed in a Capital Fund to be used for maintenance and repairs of the library building. This money will be used towards meeting the matching funds required by the LCHIP grant, and some repairs needed to the 22-year old addition, identified as urgent by the above study. Other portions of the repairs will be funded through donations and other sources.

This past year also saw the formation of The Circle of Friends, a group of individuals who have come together to support the library by presenting or assisting with a variety of programs, fundraising events, and various library tasks. Please consider becoming part of this welcoming Circle by contacting Carol McCausland at 456-2393 or Joan Warren at 456-3664.

In August, the staff and trustees, along with the Warner community, were very saddened to hear of the passing of library trustee, Tina Schirmer. Tina served on the board as our treasurer for many years. She was an intelligent, dedicated, and lovely individual who is sorely missed by all who were fortunate to have known her.

Since March 2014, there have been many changes in the composition of the trustee board. Thank you to all who have stepped up to serve as a trustee or alternate and continue to do so. The trustees also wish to express our gratitude for our dedicated and hard-working staff and many volunteers. And a special "Thank You" to our Library Director, Nancy Ladd, for the countless hours she spent in seeking out and helping to obtain the LCHIP grant. We look forward to continuing to meet the growing and varied needs of all members of our community.

Respectfully submitted,
Sara McNeil, Chair of the Library Board of Trustees

Pillsbury Free Library Funds

Report of the Trust Funds
January 1, 2014- December 31, 2014

Report of Trust Funds				
	Balance	Credits	Debits	Balance
Eleanor Cutting	39,102	861	1,297	38,666
Frank Maria Fund	7,287	147	75	7,360
Mary Martin	6,361	122	-	6,483
Lloyd & Annie Cogswell	25,486	25,691	25,537	25,640
Richard & Mary Cogswell	114,158	4,671	3,021	115,808
Report of Non-Lapsing Funds:				
	Balance	Credits	Debits	Balance
Copier/Printer	1,427	918	726	1,619
Fines and Fees	4,508	583	413	4,677
Donations Account	23,268	12,529	7,707	28,089
Report of General Operating Funds				
	Balance	Credits	Debits	Balance
General Operating	15,185	53,632	60,128	8,689

Other Funds: Personnel expenses paid via Town Finance Office as part of Library's allocation: \$143,201.59

Pillsbury Free Library
2014 Report of Income & Expenses

	Jan. – Dec. 2014
Income	
Book & Equipment Sales	1,917
Copy/printer income	918
Donations, Grants and rebates	11,612
Fines & Fees	581
Government –Local	189,502
Interest Income	3,261
Trusts – Town & Redington	943
Total Income	208,734
Expense	
Copier/printer Expenses	726
Capital Expense	5,008
Collections	18,377
Donations/Grants spent	4,094
Misc. Operating Expenses	9,564
Personnel expenses	144,714
Building Maintenance/Operation	24,082
Total Expense	206,566
Net Income	*2,168

*payments made from funds on hand

Respectfully submitted,
Caroline Hatala
Treasurer, Board of Trustees.

Conservation Commission

In 2014 the Warner River was again the subject of discussion at multiple meetings of the Warner Conservation Commission (WCC). In cooperation with the Central NH Regional Planning Commission WCC continued investigating the feasibility of seeking State designation of the Warner River under the State's Rivers Management and Protection Program.

The NH Fish and Game Trout Survey completed in 2013 indicate that good stream water quality provides habitat for fish. In 2014 a Stream Crossing Project sponsored by Trout Unlimited recruited and trained volunteers to inventory stream crossings (culverts and bridges) as potential barriers to fish.

Efforts to create a "rails to trails" corridor along the Warner River were discussed as several potential properties may become available along the corridor. WCC is not a partner in the project but will play an active role in monitoring project activities that may impact adjacent wetlands

The Conservation Commission reviewed wetland permit applications. Most of the permits requested this year were for forestry operations rather than construction-related impacts. WCC cooperated with The Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust to secure two conservation easements in Warner to protect land along Schoodac Brook and 25 acres along Pumpkin Hill Rd. WCC members received monthly updates on the aquifer protection ordinance, efforts to identify an alternative location for a new fire station, and plans for a solar array located at the Highway Garage to generate power for town facilities.

At the end of the year the conservation fund's balance was \$93,200, having increased approximately \$10,000 since the beginning of 2014 as a result of accrued interest, three current use penalty payments, and a donation of \$391 from the Homeschool Drama Group.

The WCC wants to take this opportunity to acknowledge Jim McLaughlin's departure from the Warner Conservation Commission. Jim has served for 24 years on the commission since its inception in 1990. WCC members will miss Jim's exceptional organizational skills. His dedication to protecting Warner's special places cannot be overstated. We wish him well in his retirement from WCC and hope that he will remain close by to provide the wisdom gained from years of experience.

With Jim's departure the WCC will have an open position for a new member. If you are interested please call me at 456-3064. The WCC is always looking for residents who love the outdoors and would like to volunteer to monitor any of Warner's nine conservation easements that annually require a "walking assessment" of changes on the conserved land.

*Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Martin - Chair*

Chandler Reservation Committee

Two timber harvests were completed with the Chandler Reservation in 2014, under the supervision of the Chandler Reservation Committee. The first, operated by HHP, Inc., was completed on 60 acres accessed via Mink Hill Lane. This was a cut-to-length harvest, a mechanized logging operation utilizing a track-based cutter/processor to fell and process timber products in the woods, and an eight-wheel forwarder (with tracks) to carry the forest products from the woods to the log landing. The harvest generated a net of \$23,723.46 for the Reservation, with 101,150 board feet of sawtimber removed and 1,686.86 tons of pulpwood removed.

The second, operated by Hopkinton Forestry and Land Clearing, was completed on 15 acres accessed via Bean Road (from the Osgood Road). This was a whole-tree harvest, a mechanized logging operation utilizing a track-based cutter to fell trees in the woods, four-wheel skidders to pull the trees to the log landing, a loader/slasher to process the trees into sawlogs and pulpwood, and a chipper to create biomass chips. The harvest generated a net of \$10,380.91 for the Reservation, and 716.54 tons of biomass chips produced.

The Committee visited both sites with the forester in the early summer after the harvests were completed to review the results in the woods.

Additionally, the Committee oversaw the completion of a boundary survey of the Carriage Trail Town Forest, completed by Pennyroyal Hill Land Surveying & Forestry LLC. The surveyor flagged the boundary lines, and the Chandler Reservation forester has installed blazes on approximately one-half of the perimeter. The forester hopes to finish installing blazes on the remaining boundary, and to paint the blazes in autumn 2015.

*Respectfully submitted,
Chandler Reservation Committee
Allison Mock
Gerald B. Courser
Stephen Hall
John France*

Planning Board

During 2014 the Warner Planning Board held public hearings for and conditionally approved four Minor Subdivision applications, one Site Plan application, and one Lot Line Adjustment application. The Board also held meetings regarding five Conceptual Consultations and one Voluntary Lot Merger. There was one Site Walk meeting for one of the Minor Subdivision applications.

The Board initially conditionally approved and subsequently denied approval of a two lot Major Subdivision located in two municipalities when the applicant could not receive required approval from the adjacent town's planning board. The Board denied a request to hold a joint hearing with the Board of Adjustment for a Minor Subdivision.

In March, the Planning Board approved three year permits for four existing gravel pits. There were Site Visits of these gravel pits at later dates as required annually by the Excavation Regulations.

The Board of Selectmen appointed a Compliance Officer who the Planning Board uses to verify and report on compliance with approved applications. There were 6 site inspections and reports in 2014.

A Zoning District Boundary Clarification Subcommittee with the assistance of the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission, at no additional cost to the Town, developed a new Zoning Map containing more detailed descriptions obtained from archives to clarify but not change the location of existing Zoning District boundary lines. The Planning Board voted to adopt this map as its clarified interpretation of District Boundary Lines and expect to have as a Warrant Article in 2015.

A Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Subcommittee completed and held a public hearing for the 2015-2020 CIP Report. The CIP was then sent on to the Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee for their use in budget planning. The CIP is available for download from the Town's website under the Publications tab.

A Ground Water Protection Subcommittee researched and produced a preliminary draft ordinance.

A Subdivision Regulation Subcommittee has proposed revisions which have yet to be acted on by the Planning Board. There are also proposed revisions to the Site Plan Review Regulations awaiting action by the Board. The Board completed an overall updating of all application forms and approved revisions to its Rules of Procedure. All ordinances, regulations, rules of procedure, application forms, and minutes are available on the Town's website or at the Land Use Office.

In January 2014, the Planning Board placed four Zoning Ordinance amendments on the March 2014 Town Meeting ballot and all were approved by the Town voters. In December 2014, the Planning Board was finalizing six proposed amendments for Town voters to consider at the March 2015 Town Meeting.

Thanks go to the volunteer members of the Planning Board for their time and efforts over the past year.

*Respectfully submitted,
Rick Davies - Chairman.*

Zoning Board of Adjustment

The Zoning Board of Adjustment hears and acts upon appeals for granting variances, special exceptions, equitable waivers and administrative decisions under the zoning ordinance. We translate the ordinances, which were voted on by the citizens of Warner, and decide whether to deviate, or not, from the ordinance for an applicant with the underlying goal of maintaining the intent of the ordinance. Town ordinances can be referenced on the town website under the “Department / Zoning Board” tab.

The Zoning Board consists of volunteer members who are appointed by the Selectmen. There are five voting members and three alternate members. Alternates attend all meetings and stand-in for voting members when absent, we can have up to five alternates.

Voting Members

Andrew Bodnarik (term ends) 2017
Rick Davies 2015
Kimberley Edelmann 2016 – Vice Chair
Janice Loz 2017 - Chair
J. Gordon Nolen 2017

Alternates

Howard Kirchner 2015
Beverley Howe 2016
Corey Giroux 2017

We have a new Land Use Secretary, Lois Lord, please join us in welcoming her to this position. She serves both the Zoning Board and the Planning Board and has office hours (Mon 8-4, Tue 8-12, Wed 8-3 and Thurs 8-12) where she is available to the public to answer questions, provide applications, process and assemble applications, and document the minutes from meetings.

Applications for hearings have to be submitted to the Land Use Secretary three weeks prior to the scheduled meetings. Reference the town website (www.warner.nh.us under the “Meetings” tab) or postings at the town hall for meeting dates and times. Meetings are scheduled for the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall and are generally canceled if we have no applications present to hold a hearing.

We enjoy serving the town of Warner and work diligently toward maintaining the character of the town.

*Respectfully submitted,
Janice L. Loz - Chair
Zoning Board of Adjustment*

Building Inspector

Building Permits Issued in 2014

4	New Homes	0	Change of Use
4	Additions	1	Sheds/Like Structures
1	Porches	1	Decks
4	Garages	1	Business/Commercial
9	Interior Renovations	2	Barn
1	Pool	3	Solar Panel
0	Mobile Home	3	Generators/Electrical/Plumbing
0	Temporary Housing	0	Foundation
5	Furnace		

Permits are required and must be obtained by the property owner or authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, change the occupancy or uses of a building or structure. Also permits are required to erect, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert, or replace any electrical (service panels, solar systems, outlet, lighting fixtures etc.), mechanical systems or plumbing (heating system, water heaters, water and drain lines, etc.). The installation is regulated by the State Building Code, RSA 155-A.

Items that are **exempt** from building permit requirements are as follows:

1. One-story detached accessory structure used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided the floor area does not exceed 200 square feet.
2. Fences not over 6 feet high.
3. Retaining walls not over 4 feet high.
4. Water tanks supported directly upon grade if capacity does not exceed 5,000 gallons.
5. Sidewalks and driveways.
6. Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finish work.
7. Prefabricated swimming pools that are less than 24 inches deep.
8. Swings and playground equipment.
9. Window awnings which do not project more than 54 inches.
10. Decks not exceeding 200 square feet in area that are not more than 30 inches above grade at any point. .

For assistance you can contact the Selectmen's office at 456-2298 ext. 2

*Respectfully submitted,
Tom Baye - Building Inspector*

Energy Committee

In 2007 at the Town Meeting, Article 25 established the Energy Committee by asking the Selectmen to appoint a volunteer committee to recommend “local steps to save energy and reduce emissions”.

The Warner Energy Committee (EC) has had a busy year. After finishing the 2013-2014 heating season wood bank activities, we have been planning the development of a photovoltaic solar array in an effort to offset and fix or reduce the Town’s future electricity costs. Initial efforts included vetting possible Town owned sites, meeting with vendors to judge viability, meeting with the Conservation Commission to their gain input on potential sites, and evaluation of grant and rebate opportunities available to the Town. The planning efforts also included a public information meeting on June 12th at the Town Hall to solicit input and provide options.

A Request for Proposals for a solar array was developed and posted. Two vendors proposed qualifying submissions, a selection committee was formed, meetings were held with the vendors, and the selection phase is ongoing. Another public information meeting is planned prior to Town meeting to provide an update on progress and answer any questions about the project. The goal is to have a proposal ready in time for the 2015 Town Meeting in March.

The EC continues to track the progress of the design of a new Fire Station especially related to energy efficiency and potential fuel sources.

The Community Wood Bank is coordinated by the Energy Committee and operates on donations of wood and volunteer labor. Dry firewood is made available to residents in crisis, for temporary assistance on an urgency or emergency basis. This is the third heating season the Wood Bank has been in operation, and to mid-January of this winter we have distributed approximately 2 cords of wood, to five households. We are grateful to numerous local donors, the many volunteers, and for the cooperation of our Town employees. Each October we hold an annual work day at the Transfer Station and this year everyone had a great time working together and sharing pizza afterward. This year’s work day resulted in more than 8 cords of wood being processed and stacked for the 2015-2016 heating season. These difficult economic times continue to negatively impact many in our community, including the elderly, the unemployed, and the ill or disabled. The Wood Bank is one more way we can help our neighbors and reach out to reassure them that they are not forgotten. Thanks to all who have helped.

If you are interested in donating wood, volunteering for deliveries, or labor, or are in emergency need of wood, please contact the Selectman’s Office a 456-2298 ext.2.

*Respectfully submitted,
Warner Energy Committee*

Parks and Recreation

In 2014 Parks and Recreation continued to work on restoring and improving park infrastructure. Our goal has been to restore and improve the parks in order to provide the town of Warner park space that inspire outdoor recreation and enjoyment. With that in mind we spent 2014 completing the following; A new fence was built to surround the basketball area. A covered message board / pavilion was also built next to the basketball court. The six dugout roofs were resurfaced and repaired. We have continued to work on improving the playing surfaces of the athletic fields. We have continued to remove brush and overgrowth from each park. Parks and Rec volunteers also contributed manpower to complete the 1/2 mile section of rail trail adjacent to Bagley field.

Our cost for maintenance remained static. The budget did cover the cost of materials that were not donated. The manpower and labor for many of the projects was volunteer. In 2015 we hope to work toward structuring Parks and Recreation to focus more on activities and programs that have potential toward self-sufficiency.

In 2015 we will need to re-size the little league field in order to remain compliant for the Cal Ripkin league. The girls softball league has also returned. The softball field needs to be repaired as it was damaged in the floods. We will also continue to work on improving Silver lake swimming area.

Currently we enjoy a full board of supportive and active volunteers. This has made it possible to get so much done with our budgeted dollars over the past few years. The parks continue to see increased usage. We are proud to host the following; Warner Baseball, Girls Softball, Co-ed adult softball, Wildcat football and cheerleading, WYSA soccer programs, Ice skating and general use.

Many thanks to those who take the time to lend a hand and to those who support us.

*Respectfully submitted,
Griffin Manning
Parks and Recreation Commission*

Trustees of Town Cemeteries

Future projects include the adjustment to the granite sign at the New Waterloo Cemetery, so it will face the entry way at the main gate. The old picket fence at the Old Waterloo Cemetery is also planning to be replaced in 2015 by Lane Monroe. This particular project is being financed by a generous anonymous donation.

The Trustees wish to thank the American Legion Post #39, Gary Young, and Lane Monroe for all their dedicated upkeep of several Town cemeteries. A special 'thank you' to Gary Young for the removal of numerous broken tree limbs and downed trees at Pine Grove and Davisville Cemeteries after the surprise wet snow of the Thanksgiving storm.

We also want to express our gratitude to all the friends and residents of Warner for their support and interest in our unique Town Cemeteries.

*Respectively submitted,
Cemetery Trustees
Donald H. Wheeler
Penny Sue Courser
Gerald B. Courser
Mary E. Cogswell
Kenneth W. Cogswell*

Warner Historical Society

The Warner Historical Society experienced another productive year. The Society's accomplishments were a direct result of active and talented volunteers, committed members and donors, an enthusiastic Board of Directors and a knowledgeable and dedicated Executive Director. The Society is privileged to have many residents who care enough to support the organization with both their time and a financial commitment. It is fitting that this report to the town begins by thanking them.

The historical societies from Bradford, Hopkinton, Penacook, Sutton and Warner collaborated with the Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum and the New Hampshire Telephone Museum to present *Along the River: Exploring community connections on the Lane, Warner, Contoocook and Merrimack Rivers*. As part of that project Rebecca Courser and Linda Hartman curated the summer exhibit, *Along the River: Warner's Mills and Industries*. Other programming related to this exhibit included walking tours of mill sites in Davisville and Roby and demonstrations of tools used during that era.

The fall exhibit presented In *Celebration of Childhood: Doll and Crib Quilts from the Pilgram/Roy Collection*. The Society thanks Gerald Roy, who shared his quilts along with examples of dolls, toys, photographs, and antique sewing tools. He spent many hours helping Rebecca Courser and Linda Hartman curate the exhibit and serving as a museum docent.

This year's *Tory Hill Authors Series* featured Howard Mansfield, Sy Montgomery, Chris Schadler, Bill Littlefield and Mike Dickerman. Volunteers received compliments from authors and guests regarding the venue, the quality of the programs, and the reception where dessert and guitar music were served up in a beautifully lit summer garden décor

Many projects were completed at the Main Street House. The driveway pavement was replaced, the house was painted and new rain gutters were added.

Co-chairs Arlene Zalenski and Peg McLaughlin along with 36 volunteers have completed another very successful season at the Historical Society Barn Sale. Judy Courser, who manages the Book Loft, along with six regular volunteers sells books, music and movies. The Barn Sale, in existence for over 20 years, is the Society's biggest fundraiser.

The Historical Society received a very generous gift from the estate of Alderic and Alice Violette. This wonderful gift helps insure long-term care of the Main Street House, the Lower Warner Meeting House and our extensive collections. It bolstered our Endowment and Capital Improvement funds and allowed us to update our technology needs. Generous gifts such as this allow the Society to focus on fundraising projects to cover day-to-day expenses knowing that the Society's buildings and collections are secure.

*Respectfully submitted,
Kim Nolan - President*

Central NH Regional Planning Commission

Established in accordance with state law, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is a voluntary association of 20 communities in Merrimack and Hillsborough Counties. The Town of Warner is a member in good standing of the Commission. Ken Milender (CNHRPC Executive Committee) and Rick Davies are the Town's representatives to the Commission.

CNHRPC's mission is to comply with State statute (RSA 36:47) by preparing and adopting regional land use and transportation plans and a regional housing needs assessment. CNHRPC also evaluates developments of regional impact (RSA 36:54-58) and provides data, information, training, and high-quality, cost-effective services to our member communities. CNHRPC advocates for member communities and assists and encourages them in both municipal and regional endeavors.

In 2014, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission undertook the following local and region-wide activities:

- Provided technical assistance services for member communities, including zoning ordinance development, grant writing assistance, plan review services, local master plan development, capital improvements program development and guidance, hazard mitigation guidance, and planning board process training. In Warner, CNHRPC staff provided assistance to develop an updated zoning map that clarifies the zoning district boundaries. In addition, CNHRPC staff developed a series of water resource maps, including a draft Groundwater Protection District Map showing public water supply locations, groundwater protection district boundaries, wellhead protection areas, aquifers, and other water resources.
- Provided Hazard Mitigation Plan update development assistance to seven communities (including the Warner 2014 Hazard Mitigation Plan Update) through funding from the NH Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (NH HSEM) and the NH Department of Environmental Services (NH DES).
- Completed the development of the Central/Southern NH Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) in coordination with the CEDS Steering Committee and the Southern NH Planning Commission.
- Completed the development of the draft Central NH Regional Plan. The Regional Plan is an advisory document that communities may use as a resource when updating their own municipal Master Plans. The three-year project was part of a statewide effort by all nine New Hampshire Regional Planning Commissions.
- Assisted the Currier and Ives Byway Council with its member towns of Henniker, Hopkinton, Webster, Warner and Salisbury. In 2014, the Council continued its efforts in public outreach and promoting awareness through hosting the second annual Cur-

Central NH Regional Planning Commission (cont.)

rier and Ives Scenic Byway open house and updating the Currier and Ives Scenic Byway page on the NHDOT website.

- Continued Fluvial Erosion Hazard (FEH) planning activities, including coordinating a public information meeting for the Turkey and Soucook Rivers FEH assessment results for five communities in June and developing Piscataquog River feature maps and data tables for one community through funding from the NH Department of Environmental Services (NH DES).
- Provided assistance to the Conservation Commission related to the possible future nomination of the Warner River into the NH Rivers Management and Protection Program.
- Completed the preparation of the draft Central NH Region Broadband Plan under the NH Broadband Mapping and Planning Program.
- Coordinated the activities of the CNHRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). Barbara Annis is the Town's TAC representative.
- Offered its member communities a Road Surface Management System (RSMS) program, through transportation planning activities, which provides an overview and estimate of a municipal road system's condition and the approximate costs for future improvements.
- Completed over 200 traffic counts in the region as part of its annual Transportation Data Collection Program. In Warner, CNHRPC conducted ten traffic counts along state and local roads.
- Assisted five communities with the preparation of Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant applications for pedestrian and bicycle improvement projects.
- Continued to support an enhanced volunteer driver program (VDP) in our region that was established in November 2011 through CNHRPC's 2010 Coordinated Transportation Plan efforts. In 2014, the VDP provided over 7,000 rides to seniors and people with disabilities for essential medical appointments and vital services that help the residents of our region remain independent. The goal of the planning effort was to reduce transportation costs for those in need while increasing coordination between existing transportation providers. For more information, visit www.midstatercc.org.
- Tracked state highway paving projects and coordinated with municipalities to ensure annual repaving and lane striping met community needs, with a particular emphasis on bicycle and pedestrian safety.

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- Provided assistance to seven communities with Safe Routes to School (SRTS) projects including grant writing, comprehensive travel plan preparation, and technical assistance for infrastructure projects.
- Conducted monthly Park & Ride vehicle occupancy counts at seven New Hampshire Park and Ride locations around the region as part of CNHRPC's transportation planning work program.
- Provided assistance to the Regional Trails Coordinating Council, a coalition of local rail trail and shared-use path groups roughly in the Salem-Manchester-Concord corridor. The group has continued to work to implement the Regional Trails Plan that was completed in 2013. Activities included developing a logo, purchasing trail marker signs, coordinating trail groups, and other activities to promote the use and development of rail trails in the region.
- Provided assistance to NH Department of Transportation's (NHDOT) Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Advisory Committee (BPTAC), advising NHDOT on bicycle and pedestrian related matters. BPTAC activities included various projects such as level of traffic stress analysis, lane striping policies, and the development of a state-wide bicycle and pedestrian traffic counting program.
- Continued to acquire, update, and utilize Geographic Information Systems (GIS) data for planning, cartography, and analysis across all projects.

For additional information, please contact the CNHRPC staff or visit us at www.cnhrpc.org. CNHRPC Commission meetings are open to the public and interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

Currier & Ives Scenic Byway

The Currier and Ives Scenic Byway is a 30-mile long state-designated route that passes through the Towns of Salisbury, Webster, Warner, Hopkinton, and Henniker. It is part of the New Hampshire Scenic & Cultural Byways Program administered by the NH Department of Transportation (NHDOT). The Currier & Ives Scenic Byway Council is a volunteer organization with representatives from each of the five Byway towns. Byway Council members are appointed by their Select Board.

In 2014, the Scenic Byway Council continued its efforts in public outreach and promoting awareness and appreciation of the Currier & Ives Scenic Byway among residents and visitors alike. The Council continues to build organizational capacity and is thankful of its dedicated volunteers who participate as Council members in the quarterly meetings, annual Byway event, and other projects.

The second annual Currier & Ives Byway Open House was held in November 2014 at the Contoocook Depot. The successful event was attended by many area businesses, local Chamber of Commerce representatives, Select Board members, and residents who gathered to celebrate and show support for the Byway. The Currier & Ives Byway is a local resource for attracting visitors and area residents to travel the byway and enjoy its many small businesses, recreation opportunities, and scenic landscapes.

The Byway Council met with NHDOT staff to discuss the Scenic & Cultural Byways program. As a result, one outcome of the meeting was an update of the Currier & Ives Scenic Byway page on the NHDOT website available at www.nh.gov/dot/programs/scbp.

The Currier & Ives Byway Council meets quarterly on a rotating basis among the five Byway towns. Meetings are open to the public, and all interested parties are welcome. Information is available on the Byway website at www.currierandivesbyway.org.

Please contact your Byway Council representative, if you are interested in learning more or volunteering to be a representative to the Council. The Town of Warner Byway Council Representative is Clyde Carson. Central NH Regional Planning Commission provides administrative support to the Byway Council and can be reached at cnhrpc@cnhrpc.org.

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2014
TOWN OF WARNER ELECTION RESULTS

Article 1

To choose Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Selectman (3 years) (Vote for 1)

Allan N. Brown 441 *
Kimberley Edelman 85
Deborah Sharrio 27

Moderator (2 years) (Vote for 1)

Raymond Martin 503

Budget Committee (3 years) (Vote for 2)

Kimberley Edelman 343
John Leavitt 346

Supervisor of the Checklist (6 years) (Vote for 1)

Christine Perkins 512

Chandler Reservation (4 years) (Vote for 1)

Gerald B. Courser516

Almoners of Foster & Currier Funds (3 years) (Vote for 1)

Penny Sue Courser 512

Trustee of Pillsbury Free Library (3 years) (Vote for 3)

Jeanne Hand 375
Caroline Hatala383
Sara McNeil434

Trustee of Trust Funds (3 years) (Vote for 1)

David Karrick 469

Trustee of Town Cemeteries (3 years) (Vote for 1)

Kenneth W. Cogswell 496

The Zoning Ordinance Amendments that follow are a condensed version of proposed and recommended changes by the Warner Planning Board. (A complete version has been filed with these minutes)

Are you in favor of the adoption of the following Amendments as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance?

Question 2 - Passed **Yes 414** No 126

Amendment #1:

Amend Article III Definitions, to clarify the definition of “Major Subdivision” by adding wording (in bold type below) currently existing elsewhere in the Zoning Ordinance, resulting in the definition reading as follows: “Major subdivision” means any subdivision which creates 4 or more lots within a 5 year period or which requires the construction of a new street or the extension of municipal facilities.

Question 3 - Passed **Yes389** No130

Amendment #2:

Amend Article 1002.00 applicability by adding new paragraphs allowing collocation on and non-substantial modifications to existing facilities to comply with State of New Hampshire statutes passed in 2013 which governs with or without passage of this Article. and, amend Article 1001.00 definitions by adding a new paragraph “Substantial Modification” to comply with State of New Hampshire statutes passed in 2013 which governs with or without passage of this Article.

Question 4 - Passed **Yes 371** No163

Amendment #3:

Amend Article IV General Provisions by adding a paragraph Solar Energy Systems. The intent is to allow Solar Energy Systems in all zoning districts as encouraged in RSA 672:1, but create provisions for allowing solar energy systems above roofs and within yard setback areas only under certain conditions.

Question 5 - Passed **Yes 388** No132

Amendment #4:

Amend the Zoning Ordinance Article XVII Board of Adjustment by deleting paragraph B.4. (as shown by strikeouts below) since the Zoning Board of Adjustment does not have statutory authority to make district boundary determinations, rather it is the job of the Planning Board to establish boundary locations.

~~B.4. Hear and render determinations on any questions relative to the exact location of any district boundary shown on the zoning map;~~

Adjourn to Wednesday March 12, 2014

Moderator Ray Martin opened the Warner Annual Town Meeting at 7:00 pm in the Warner Town Hall on Wednesday, March 12, 2014. He thanked people for coming out on such a miserable rainy night. The Pledge of Allegiance preceded Pastor Robert Wyman’s Invocation.

Selectman David Hartman, Chairman, said the 2013 Town Report was dedicated to Barbara Annis. He read highlights of her 48 years of involvement in Warner. Mrs. Annis was asked to stand and was acknowledged with a resounding round of applause.

Selectman David Karrick gave the Town Report Memoriam. He said Warner had lost two prominent citizens in 2013, Alice Bartlett Violette and her husband Alderic “Dick” O. Violette. Selectman Karrick read highlights of the Violettes lives.

The Moderator said 566 voters voted on Election Day and then read the election results.

Selectman Hartman said Selectman Karrick had completed 2 terms as Selectman and had chosen not to run again. Mr. Karrick was asked to step forward. He received applause as he thanked the Town for the gift of a walking stick with a compass in the top.

Selectman Hartman said Warner's second Town Administrator, James (Jim) Bingham, had worked with the Selectmen in 2013 to:

1. Complete the replacement of the Town Hall front steps.
2. Replace the suddenly non-working Old Graded School heating system with a grant-funded new double boiler heating system.
3. Negotiate a cell tower lease on Town property.
4. Move the Exit 9 roundabout project from Phase 1 to Phase 2 Design Process.

Selectman Hartman's "2013 State of Warner" presentation included:

At the 2013 Town Meeting:

1. Authorization for Selectmen to negotiate a 25 year lease with Cingular Wireless LLC communication cell tower complex on 1 acre of Town Forrest land on North Road, \$2,000 a month rent (income) to the Town
2. Funds approved to pursue the building of a roundabout at Exit 9 continue contractual work with engineering firm McFarland & Johnson Engineering. Study completed and under review with NH DOT construction scheduled for 2015 funding is 2/3 State reimbursement to the Town
3. Odd Fellows Building - Weston Solution completed Phase 2 Brownsfield Site Investigation Report on the hazardous material contamination. BOS working with NH DES for strategies and funding to develop a Hazardous Mitigation Plan Article 17 addresses funding further. Town not eligible for federal clean up grant. Demolition may cost over \$100,000. 2013 negotiations with a potential buyer who proposed moving the building have ended.
4. Economic Development - BOS aware of the forces that impact tax rate, will focus on the exit 7 & 9 areas of Town.
5. Are moving forward to create an Economic Committee.
6. State liquor store targeted for Exit 9 but that is only 1 of many commercial lots available.
7. Silver Lake Improvements - "Thank You" to Parks & Recreation and Alfred Hanson.
8. Bagley Field Skating Rink upgrades and maintenance - "Thanks" to Parks & Recreation.
9. Town Hall Front Steps "Thanks" to Highway crew, cost of \$21,000 vs bid of \$53,000.
10. Town Report Cover -Time Capsule placed under Town Hall front steps.
11. North Road culvert for French Brook - Highway crew completed the project for \$15,000 - much less than estimates received.
12. Major culvert project over Children's Brook at Fish & Game on Bartlett Loop. Washed out in 2012, 80/20 Funding from DOT slated for completion in the beginning of 2014. Article 16 addresses funding the Bridge Capital Reserve for the Town's share of the project
13. No Road Reconstruction in 2013 - Waldron Hill Road #1 on list for 2014 Article 10 addresses funding.

14. Employee Recognition - "Good Luck" Pat Moore, Highway Dept. employee retiring, 10 years of service.
15. Energy Committee - Help Warner become more energy efficient. Advised on the replacement of the Old Graded School heating system. Involved in recommending an efficient heating system for the new Fire Station.
16. Investigating possibility of a Solar Generating Electric System that would provide electricity for Town buildings.
17. Fall Foliage Festival -"Thank You" to Committees, Volunteers, President Sean Bohman and wife Suzanne for their work in creating a new venue for the festival and Warner Power opening their parking lots for the event
18. Warner is a designated Currier & Ives Scenic Byway Town
19. Rail to Trail - "Goal" link Concord and Sunapee through reconnection of the Concord and Claremont Railroad Right of Ways
20. Conservation Commission credit for continued efforts to protect the Warner River corridor

Selectman Hartman said many meetings were held to discuss the New Fire Station project and to discuss how to "balance the opportunity to obtain the most favorable financing and bid pricing available with the potential tax impact on residents". He introduced Warren Street Architects to explain the project to-date and added that meetings would be held during the year to give residents a chance to ask questions. (power point presentation available on the Warner website and in the Town Clerk's office)

The Moderator said Assessors will visit properties during the 2014 Re-evaluation and in March 2015, property owners will be notified of new assessments. By a show of hands, a majority responded "not in favor" on a "non-binding" inquiry to make property cards available on-line.

The Moderator explained the rules for the meeting then introduced Michael Cutting, Budget Committee Chairman, to present the 2014 proposed budget. (power point presentation available on the Warner website and in the Town Clerk's office)

Article 6 - Passed

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$ 2,967,008.00 (Two Million, Nine Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand, Eight Dollars) as a 2014 Operating Budget? This amount does not include amounts from any other warrant articles. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded. No discussion. Moderator called for a voice vote. Majority in favor. Article 6 passed.

Article 7 - Passed

Shall the Town vote to have rental proceeds from the lease agreement between New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC and the Town for a Communications (Cell) Tower located on Town Forest land off North Road be placed in the general fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Selectman David Hartman explained: Per State law, revenue generated by a Town Forrest must be deposited into a Special Town Forrest Fund solely for Town Forrest expenses unless directed otherwise by Town vote.

Michael Franklin asked if passing Article 7 was setting precedent for other Town generated revenue to go into the General Fund. Selectman Hartman said Article 7 is specifically the Tower revenue.

Motion by James Gaffney: To amend Article 7 to state that the rental proceeds go into a Rainy Day Fund to be used only for emergencies and only expended from the fund after holding a public meeting where a vote is held. Seconded.

The Selectmen said Warner did not have a "Rainy Day Fund". The Moderator asked Mr. Gaffney if his motion included establishing one and Mr. Gaffney replied, "Yes".

Budget Committee member Martha Bodnarik said voters at the 2013 Town Meeting directed the Selectmen to look for sources of revenue. She said putting the lease money into the General Fund was doing that. She asked people to vote against the Amendment. Selectmen said the lease money in a Rainy Day Fund would not be available for Town operations or to reduce taxes and removing it from the 2014 revenues would affect the tax rate.

Richard Colfer recommended creating a restricted fund where money can be accessed when needed and not lost in the operating budget.

Jere Henley's question was answered by Selectman Hartman who said Town income from the tower is \$2000 a month, yearly property tax, additional tax on future improvements and review of the lease every five years over the course of the twenty-five year lease. Budget Committee Chairman, Michael Cutting said the Committee had not discussed a Rainy Day Fund but he was against it because the lease money is a reliable source of revenue for the next 25 years.

Gerry Marsh asked and was told a State Liquor Store is not exempt from paying property taxes.

Rebecca Courser moved the question on the amendment.
Voice vote on amendment. Majority voting against the amendment. Amendment defeated

Lydia Harmon asked if there was another option to track spending. Town Administrator Jim Bingham said Capital Reserve Funds (CRF) are set up for a specific purpose therefore it would be difficult to put the money into a Rainy Day Fund.

Mr. Gaffney said the Town should think about requiring unspent money to go into a Rainy Day Fund like the State does.

Martha Bodnarik moved the question on Article 7 as originally presented. Voice vote in Article 7 as originally presented. Majority voting in favor. Article 7 passed.

Article 8 - Passed

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Selectman Karrick said: Property Revaluation costs = \$103,300, additional utility revaluations cost between \$35,000 and \$45,000, unspent money will remain in the CRF for the 2020 Revaluation and the cost estimate for extra employee hours and printing incidentals is between \$16,000 and \$20,000.

The Moderator answered Jeanne Hand's question that the CRF balance is \$124,302.96.

Budget Chairman, Michael Cutting said the Budget Committee reviews the yearly fund requests and adjusts the amount to reflect what is actually needed.

Martha Bodnarik moved the question on Article 8. Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 8 passed.

Motion by John Leavitt: To move Article 21 forward to be heard next. Seconded. Mr. Leavitt said Article 21 is pertinent to the discussions about Capital Reserve Funds. Voice vote on the motion. Majority voting in favor. Motion passed. Article 21 moved forward.

Article 21 - Failed

Shall the Town vote to rescind the Board of Selectmen's authority to act as authorized agents of the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? All expenditures henceforth must be approved by the majority vote of the legal voters present and voting at an annual or special town meeting as per RSA 35:15. (By Petition) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

John Leavitt read from a prepared statement supporting Article 21. In summary:

1. A flyer explaining Article 21 was available to the public prior to the meeting
2. Capital Reserve Funds (CRF) were set up for towns to accumulate funds over several years for large capital expenditures, avoiding large yearly tax rate spikes
3. The Highway Equipment Fund was established in 1994
4. Board of Selectmen were not originally appointed as the Agents authorized to expend from the fund
5. Proposed expenditures were brought for approval at town meeting
6. Expenditures have been voted on & denied, over ruling the Board of Selectmen recommendation
7. The system worked relatively well
8. No special town meetings were ever required
9. In 2005 the town voted the Board of Selectman as sole authorized agents of the Fund
10. Residents relinquished ability to limit, restrict or approve highway equipment purchases
11. Result: voters approve the accumulation of funds but have no control over

how/when funds are spent

12. From 2005 – 2013 since Selectman became agents, there were three questionable purchases: 1. wood chipper 2. street sweeper 3. ten wheel dump truck.

13. Possibility exists that if purchases were brought before the town, may or may not have been approved

14. Issue is not the merits of purchases but that tax payers had no opportunity to vote on them.

Article 21 is an effort to rectify an ill-conceived and fundamentally flawed process that is hurting the tax payers of Warner. Reasons to approve this Article:

1. Attempt by boards to make decisions that coincide with the will of the town is nearly impossible. This fact should encourage Selectmen to seek the opinion & approval of tax payers on large expenditures at town meeting.
2. There is poor reporting of CRF expenditures to Warner's tax payers. Town report has limited details and there is no record book available for public review, a violation of state law. RSA 35:17. Tax payers may attend Selectmen's meetings, yet information is limited, public participation is at chairman's discretion, documents are often available to Board members only, and the audience does not have a vote. There is little motivation for the public to attend.
3. The Budget Committee has recommended reducing proposed appropriations to limit the Selectmen's ability to expend from a CRF. This hampers the ability to grow the CRF & is counter productive to their intended purpose. For instance, the Budget Committee is not recommending a proposed appropriation of \$50,000 primarily because the Selectmen are the authorized agents.
4. The purchase of the ten wheel dump truck is testament that the current process is not in the best interest of the town.

At 2012 Town Meeting, in response to the purchase of a \$35,000 street sweeper and in an effort to bring the Highway Equipment Fund under control, an Article passed that required:

1. All expenditures from the fund be included in the Capital Improvement Plan
2. There must be a public hearing
3. A detailed report must be available to the public for review
4. That report must be included in the following year's Town Report. There is no such report for the new ten wheeler.!

At 2013 Town Meeting the proposed appropriation for the Highway Equipment Fund was reduced from \$60,000 to \$30,000, another attempt to restrict the Selectman's ability to expend funds.

1. Budget Chairman, Michael Cutting, explained the committee felt this was not the year to purchase a ten wheel dump truck.
2. The town approved the reduced appropriation.
3. At a public hearing 3 months later, Mr. Cutting reminded the BOS of the towns vote.
4. Selectmen voted 2-1 to buy the ten-wheeler anyway.
5. The Selectmen's action angered many, but the town was unintentionally complicit in these events

6. In 2005 people warned it was a mistake to give a BOS the authority to spend CRF without town approval
7. Yet the town relinquished their control to the BOS
8. Warner has drifted away from the initial intended purpose of CRF's
9. Common to see small proposed appropriations going into funds that consistently have small balances
10. CRFs have increased from 2 in 1994 to 15 today
11. The BOS are the authorized agents for all CRF's and the town has no control over any
12. If all the 2014 CRF appropriations are approved the BOS will have exclusive control over more than 1.2 million tax dollars
13. Money can be spent with no tax payer right to deliberation, review, inquiry or vote
14. Some think these funds are being abused and misused
15. Lacking town control invites serious abuses in the future....It is inevitable....To think otherwise is naive.
16. Passing Article 21 returns control of only one CRF to the tax payers
17. It may send a message to the BOS to seek town input prior to future spending - but don't count on it
18. If Article 21 is defeated, what message is that sending to this and future Boards of Selectmen?"

Allan Brown said when he worked for the Town he dealt with issues both ways: every request brought to Town Meeting before purchase and CRF's created/requested at Town Meeting with Selectmen as spending agents. He said he explained his request to buy the wood chipper at a Town Meeting saying the request was a result of available FEMA funds originally available to spend on renting wood chippers that had become harder to rent because surrounding towns also needed them.

Mr. Brown said as a Budget Committee member he voted against \$50,000 for the Fire Department because at the time of request there was no job estimate so the Committee said they could present their request and estimate at Town Meeting.

Town Administrator Jim Bingham said the wrong impression was being presented for the 10-wheel truck purchase, rules of purchase were followed including: obtaining 3 quotes, holding discussions, comparisons to a 6 wheel truck, noting a price difference of \$23,000, job cost analysis, reviewing heavy hauling capacity need resulting in a \$12,000 savings with the 10-wheel truck, Public Meetings were held and input from the public requested before holding 2nd Public Hearing. He agreed the Town Report format for Capital Reserve spending should be revised.

An audience member was told the Director of Public Works was out working on the roads therefore was not available to answer questions.

Richard Colfer said the 1994 Budget Committee established the first CRF. The purpose was to save toward a specific purchase in a specific year and to reduce the tax burden that resulted in requesting, approving and paying for "big ticket" items in the same year. He said in the year the item came due for purchase, the request for the

specific purchase was brought to Town Meeting for Voters to discuss and vote to approve or disapprove.

Mr. Colfer said the issue is not whether the purchases are needed but if voters have confidence in the Selectmen to do the best for the Town. He asked why the \$179,000, 10-wheel dump truck, purchased in November 2013 could not have waited until tonight's meeting for voters to decide if it was appropriate to purchase. He said if CRF money is "arbitrarily" spent without input from the Townspeople then the purpose of the funds is no longer to save for the future but to spend money because something is available to buy and money is available to spend.

Geralyn Smariga said officials are elected to do what's best for the Town and feels they do an "excellent job". She said the Highway Department is "superb" and who knows better than they do regarding what equipment or funds are needed. Ms. Smariga said Selectmen are elected to do a job and she does not see any reason to change the current process.

Martha Bodnarik said Selectmen had not "arbitrarily" spent money - especially with a Town Administrator and the Budget Committee "watching over them". She asked voters not to counteract the Selectman's actions or restrict them.

James Gaffney said the only "process change" asked for in Article 21 is to hold a different type of Public Meeting - a "Special Town Meeting" - that would allow Townspeople to vote on a purchase. He said that change would not grossly impact how the Town operates or functions especially since it does not delay purchases until the next Town Meeting.

Mr. Gaffney requested a paper ballot with 5 voters in agreement. Martha Mical moved the question. Seconded.

Dan Watts asked the cost for a Special Town Meeting. Selectman Hartman answered there are State Laws to follow including explaining the emergency that required the meeting, if the emergency was foreseeable or avoidable and there are expenses to publishing notification of the meeting

Moderator read Article 21 before explaining how to vote with paper ballots.
Paper ballot results: 48 -Yes 83 - No Article 21 Failed.

Article 9 - Passed

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the amount of \$45,000.00 (Forty Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Exit 9 Improvements Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Selectman Carson explained a CRF was established when the Exit 9 Project was first presented, \$42,000 was approved for Phase 1, \$128,500 was approved in 2013 for Phase 2, Warren Street Architects have completed and submitted the project design to the State. When approval is received architects can review the construction designs

and begin the project, the project is partially funded by a State grant, the Town has been paying its portion right along, the remaining portion due is \$88,000, construction will not start until 2015 therefore the Board is asking for half the total this year and the balance at next year's Town Meeting.

Alice Chamberlain asked when the Town voted approval for the project. Selectman Carson said a majority was in favor of a roundabout over a traffic light when asked at the 2013 Town Meeting.

James Hand asked what the Town spent \$133,000 in 3 years on. Selectman Carson answered the completed design phase with Warren Street Architects.

Moderator said the estimated \$750,000 project includes design, engineering, construction, Warner is responsible for 1/3 (\$250,000), State will reimburse 2/3 (\$500,000), Warner has spent \$170,500 (\$42,000 + \$128,500) to date and is asking for half of the \$88,000 remaining this year and the balance next year.

Selectman Carson said the Town may get a short term construction loan until the State money is received.

Martha Bodnarik said Town approval was given through Phase 2 which qualifies the Town for state reimbursement of 2/3 of the project. She said the Town will lose its place on the State list for grant money if it does not complete the entire project.

Jeanne Hand asked why there was \$588.07 in a Traffic Control Signal Exit 9 CRF if the Townspeople supported a roundabout. Town Administrator said the CRF was closed at the 2012 Town Meeting with the balance going into the General Fund and reporting it was an error in the Town Report.

Motion made to move the question on Article 9.

A resident asked if voting in favor of Article 9 was the final vote for approving the roundabout. Moderator answered, no. Passing Article 9 was appropriating money for completing design Phase 2.

Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 9 passed.

Article 10 - Passed

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$175,000.00 (One Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Highway Road Construction Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Selectman Hartman explained: the Capital Improvement Program is updated yearly by Departments and the Planning Board, a \$750,000 reconstruction project for Waldron Hill Rd is prioritized for 2014, the project will go through the bid process, the CRF balance is \$268,286.76.

To Thomas VanVechten's question, Selectman Hartman said the use of "road, highway, street, avenue" are used interchangeably and the Highway Road Construction name refers to projects that involve road construction for highways under Town control.

Motion made to move the question on Article 10. Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 10 passed.

Motion by Allan Brown:

To restrict reconsideration on Articles 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 21. Seconded.

Moderator explained "Restrict Reconsideration": Articles in the motion may not be brought up later in this meeting for a vote but may be brought up for reconsideration with another vote on the Article taken at a future meeting held no earlier than 7 days from tonight with proper notification.

Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Motion passed to restrict reconsideration.

Article 11- Passed

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Selectman Karrick explained the Capital Improvement Program lists the replacement of the 1999 Galion Road Grader in 2015, repairs have been costly recently due to age and metal fatigue, approximately \$20,000 - 2 axles in 2 years and the 3rd axle just broke, the CRF balance is \$26,425, the replacement cost for a new grader is around \$300,000.

Motion made to move the question on Article 11. Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 11 passed.

Article 12- Passed

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to add to the already established Police Department Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Police Chief William Chandler explained the request was part of the Cruiser Fleet Management Plan for the replacement of cruisers, he lowered the request from \$15,000 to \$10,000 for this year, a cruiser was replaced in 2013 for \$31,400, the CRF balance is \$17,000

When an audience member asked why the CRF balance in the Town Report said "\$1900", Chief Chandler said he did not know but he researched and obtained the correct balance for tonight's meeting.

To answer Lydia Harmon's question, Chief Chandler said he expected the next cruiser to cost about the same as the last one and said it is important not to wait until the cruiser is beyond usability because it becomes worthless as a financial return.

James Gaffney asked about the condition of current vehicles. The Chief said overall condition is "Good", 2007 SUV - 50,000 miles, anticipated use, 8 - 10 years, not an everyday vehicle; 2010 Cruiser - 50,000 miles; 2013 Cruiser - 5,000 miles; all are well maintained.

Jeanne Hand expressed concern and asked why several CRF balances stated at tonight's meeting contrasted with balances reported in the Town Report, specifically: Police Department Vehicle, Highway Equipment and the Traffic Control Signal Exit 9 that does not even exist anymore.

Town Administrator, Jim Bingham said the process of receiving reimbursements from the Trustees of the Trust Funds who oversee the CRF's takes time and Year End reporting of Fund balances by law must be "actual" and not "estimated". Using the November 2013 10-wheel truck purchase as an example he said the Town Report balance for the Highway Equipment CRF is as of December 31, 2013 - funds from the CRF were not reimbursed to the Town until February 2014. Mr. Bingham said his intention is to track the funds through the Finance Office for more accurate up-to-date figures.

Discussion followed on how to improve the accuracy of reporting fund balances. John Leavitt said the State law requirement to keep a record book could have helped flag the time lag in reimbursing the Town for the 10-wheeler. Andrew Bodnarik suggested including an "as of" date in the Town Report.

Motion made to move the question on Article 12. Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 12 passed.

Article 13 - Passed

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$70,000.00 (Seventy Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Fire/Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

In place of an explanation, Fire Chief Edward Raymond said he would answer questions.

To John Leavitt the next vehicle replacement is the 1996 Freightliner for approximately \$350,000 to James Gaffney: the Town purchased a Suburban Rescue Vehicle in 2013 but is paying off a bond on the previous purchase, Bond Balance - \$308,000, total 20 year interest - \$69,500

After asking if it was financially better to apply \$70,000 to the current bond balance or add it to a CRF earning minimal interest,

A motion to amend was made by James Gaffney:

To amend Article 13 to apply the sum of \$70,000 toward the \$308,000 principle balance of the loan for the Fire Vehicle and not into the Fire/Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund. Seconded.

Martha Bodnarik said CRF's were set up to save toward expensive, inevitable or emergency purchases. She asked voters to vote down the Amendment and Pass Article 13.

Selectman Carson said the Town had not been saving sufficiently resulting in the need to bond the Fire Truck and to be better prepared the Board is requesting the Town put money into a CRF.

As a point of order, Edward Mical asked if the amendment could be allowed since it changed the intent from a request of \$70,000 into a CRF to a payment on a loan. The Moderator said he would allow it but his decision could be overruled by 50% of the voters.

Ginger Marsh stated it was important to check the loan agreement for penalties for early pay off.

Chief Raymond answered a question confirming repairs were made to the vehicle scheduled for replacement in 2016 and his hope was to extend the use and delay a new vehicle purchase.

Motion made to move the question on the amendment to Article 13. Seconded. Voice vote on the amendment. Majority voting against. Amendment failed.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a vote on Article 13 as originally presented

Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 13 passed as originally presented.

Article 14 - Passed as amended

Original Article 14: Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000.00 (Fifty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Fire Department Building/Renovation Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Not Recommended by the Budget Committee)

***Amended Article 14: Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 to be added to the already established Fire Department Building/Renovation Capital Reserve Fund for the repair or replacement of the entire Fire Station roof.**

Original Article 14 read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Fire Chief Edward Raymond explained: funds were needed to pay for replacing the roof, to address mold and ventilation issues, to replace a door in the building and basic maintenance on the current 1964 Fire Station, corner of School St and East Main St.

Selectman Karrick added the Selectboard wanted funds available for possibly purchasing the strip of State land abutting the New Fire Station site located on East Main Street heading toward Hopkinton.

Martha Bodnarik, Budget Committee Member said she would like to keep funds for the current Fire Station separate from funds for the New Fire Station. She said if the Selectmen have a potential purpose for requested funds, then they should be stated and do it in a “clear open fashion.”

Motion to amend made by Martha Bodnarik:

To Amend Article 14 and appropriate \$25,000 - not \$50,000 - to the already established Fire Department Building/Renovation Capital Reserve Fund for the repair or replacement of the entire Fire Station roof. Seconded.

Continuing discussion included:

1. Cheryl Gibsons asked why money would be put toward a building that has not been approved and a site that has raised many questions and concerns, she personally could not remember voting to approve purchasing the land for the New Fire Station and asked if that is a decision that Townspeople cannot vote on because it is a decision of the Selectmen
2. John Leavitt commented that spending from a C RF is a Selectboard’s decision if Townspeople vote that authority to them; voters just voted down Article 21 which was an attempt to return the spending authority of one CRF to voters; and he would recommend not putting a metal roof on a building the Town will sell.
3. Barbara Annis asked if CRF’s are for long term expenses as explained earlier in this meeting, then why are funds to repair the current roof going into a CRF and not the Operation Budget as a one-time expense.
4. A question raised on whether it was possible to designate the Amendment amount of \$25,000 specifically to “roof repair/replacement” since the name of the CRF is “Fire Department Building/Renovation”.

Selectman Hartman said funds from this CRF have been used for the acquisition of the New Fire Station site and a sprinkler system for the current Fire Station. He said funds in Article 14 were intended to be used for a new roof for the current station and to pay for gathering additional information to answer concerns regarding the New Fire Station. He said although \$200,000 has been spent on the New Fire Station project, he is not convinced they have all the necessary information to spend \$2.7 million dollars.

Mr. Leavitt said his research into the creation of the Fire Department Building/Renovation CRF revealed the ruling that funds could be spent on “any Fire Department building” lacking in maintenance.

Motion made to move the amendment on Article 14. Voice vote. Majority not clear.

Moderator asks for a show of hands. Yes... 69 No... 41 Amendment to Article 14 passed.

Motion to amend made by Andrew Bodnarik:

To restrict the \$25,000 expenditure to the replacement of the roof “as stated” in the discussion tonight. Seconded. Friendly motion amendment by James Gaffney accepted by Mr. Bodnarik: To add, “the roof of the current Fire Station.”

Amended motion stated in whole by Moderator:

To restrict the \$25,000 expenditure on the replacement of the roof of the current Fire Station building as stated in the discussion tonight. Seconded.

Discussion continued on how to now, financially, address the mold problem, the validity of the amendment was questioned and stated that the purpose of the CRF would have to be changed. The Moderator said the CRF name included “Renovation” and believed the voter’s intent was to restrict the funds - if Article 14 passed - to the “renovation of the roof for the *current* Fire Station building on East Main Street” adding his decision could be overturned by 50% of the voters.

Voice vote. Majority voted against the amendment. Amendment failed.

Moderator ruled James Gaffney’s question to the Selectmen on how they would spend the money, Out of Order since voters just turned down a restriction on how to spend the money. Selectman Carson stated the immediate need was the roof on the current Fire Station and without additional funds, Selectmen would not be able to gather more information concerning the New Fire Station to present to the Townspeople.

Budget Chairman, Michael Cutting said the majority of Budget Committee members were not originally in favor of the \$50,000 request because they had not been given a cost for the roof repair. He said he is in favor of maintaining this Public Building and a New Fire Station Informational Public Meeting showed studies that cost money are necessary to determine if the land will sustain the proposed building. He said he supported appropriating funds for studies to obtain “concrete evidence” to present to the Townspeople.

Motion made to move the question on Article 14 as amended.

Moderator stated Article 14 as amended:

To amend Article 14 to add \$25,000 to the already established Fire Dept. Building/Renovation CRF for the repair or replacement of the entire Fire Station roof.

Voice vote. Majority in favor. Article 14 passed as amended.

Motion by Andrew Bodnarik:

To restrict reconsideration on Articles 11,12,13,14. Seconded. Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Motion to restrict passed.

Article 15 - Passed

Shall the Town vote to establish a contingency fund in accordance with RSA 31:98-a for the current year to be used by the Board of Selectmen for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate the amount of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to go into the fund? This sum is to come from fund balance and no amount to be raised from taxation. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. Majority vote required. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Selectman Carson provided explanation on Article 15 stating that newly passed legislation allows Towns to have a contingency fund per RSA 31:98-a provided tracking and explanation of spending is presented at the next years Town Meeting.

Motion made to move passed.

Article 16 - Passed

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Bridge Replacement & Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Selectman Hartman explained: there are 19 bridges in Warner that need repair or replacement, State Bridge Aid is applied for whenever possible, Warner has been approved for State/Town - 80/20 Bridge Aid for the Bartlett Loop culvert and to Suzanne Cummings question, Selectman Hartman said the Bridge Replacement CRF balance was \$73,513.

Motion made to move the question on Article 16. Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 16 passed.

Article 17 - Passed

Shall the Town vote to authorize the creation of The Odd Fellows Building Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of hazard mitigation of this Brownfield site, to raise and appropriate \$5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this Fund and to name the Board of Selectmen as Agents to expend? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article Moved and Seconded.

Selectman Karrick explained: a Site Analysis showed hazardous materials that the Town must address whatever happens with the building, funds will be combined with any grant money to conduct detailed studies of the contaminants and to develop a cost effective clean-up plan to meet NH and Federal environmental standards

To James Gaffney's question of why the Town doesn't put the building up for auction "every month until it sells", Selectman Carson said it is a difficult building to sell due

to lack of parking, the amount of money needed to renovate and the Town must mitigate the hazardous materials before it can do anything.

John Leavitt said the Town can include the mitigation of hazardous material in a buyer's contract. He said he spoke to Selectmen about a previously established Odd Fellows Building CRF and Article 17 is creating a second CRF. He is recommending voting against Article 17 and telling the Selectmen to find the \$5000 in the Operating Budget.

Selectmen Carson explained no other Odd Fellow CRF was not found to exist and Article 17 would establish "earnest money" to help show the Town's intentions when applying for grant money.

As a long time member on the Odd Fellow Building Committee, Rebecca Courser said the follow through with potential buyers is a long, arduous process, recent buyer interest ended after a year, a new buyer has come forward, the committee has researched public, private, senior, low-income, office space and condo uses but the parking, condition of the building and hazardous materials are always problems.

Motion made by James Gaffney: To have the Town put the Odd Fellows Building up for auction until it sells.

Moderator ruled the motion out of order because Article 17 sets up a Capital Reserve Fund. Mr. Gaffney was told he could bring up his request later in the meeting after Article 23.

Motion made to move the question on Article 17. Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 17 passed

Article 18 - Passed

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Selectman Carson explained the CRF has \$26,093, \$5000 is needed to replace the Bobcat/Loader in 2015, estimated cost is \$35,000 and this purchase is included in the Capital Improvement Plan.

Motion made to move the question on Article 18. Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 18 passed.

Article 19 - Passed

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the already established Town Hall Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee) Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Selectman Hartman explained: the CRF is used for Town Hall projects and updates including added insulation and roof repair, would like to replace the lift with an elevator, he would like to name the lift after recently deceased longtime resident Fred Creed who depended on the lift to get to Town Meeting.

Mr. Creed's widow Cathy Creed thanked Selectman Hartman for his idea. She asked if the Town Hall front steps were repaired with funds from this CRF and Selectman Hartman said the steps were funded through the Operating Budget.

Motion made to move the question on Article 19. Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 19 passed.

Article 20 - Passed

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Trustees of the Pillsbury Free Library full duties and powers under RSA 202 - A:11 in managing the operation of the Library? Read by the Moderator. Article moved and seconded.

Town Administrator Jim Bingham said this was a housekeeping measure; in 1890 the Pillsbury family established the Library Trustees and gave them full power to manage the Library operations and the Town is now reaffirming those powers at the recommendation of the Department of Revenue Administration.

Lydia Harmon asked and was told that nothing would be changing; things would continue as they have.

Suzanne Cummings asked if Passing Article 20 would take away any of the Librarian's powers and was told, "No". Mrs. Cummings said Librarian Nancy Ladd provides a great service to the community.

Motion made to move the question on Article 20. Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 20 passed.

Article 22 - Passed

RESOLVED, the people of Warner, NH stand with communities across the country to defend democracy from the corrupting effects of undue corporate power by amending the United States Constitution to establish that:

- 1. Only human beings, not corporations, are endowed with constitutional rights, and**
- 2. Money is not speech, and therefore regulating political contributions and spending is not equivalent to limiting political speech.**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the People of Warner, NH hereby instruct our state and federal representatives to enact resolutions and legislation to advance this effort. (By Petition) Read by the Moderator. Article Moved and Seconded.

Michael Franklin provided information on Article 22. Discussion followed.

Motion made to move the question on Article 22. Voice vote. Majority voting in favor. Article 22 passed.

Article 23

To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting..... hearing none -

Motion to adjourn. Seconded. Voice vote. Majority in favor. Motion to adjourn passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 PM.

*Respectfully submitted,
Judith A. Newman-Rogers
Town Clerk*

Resident Birth Report

<u>Date and Place of Birth</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Father's Name Mother's Name</u>
01/16/2014 Concord, NH	Thatcher James Salera	Anthony Salera Elizabeth Falicon
01/17/2014 Concord, NH	Rodney Jackson Page	Scott Page Amanda Rowell
01/31/2014 Concord, NH	Taryn Josephine Moyer	Glen Moyer Evangeline Moyer
03/08/2014 Concord, NH	Maxwell William Chaplain	Jeffrey Chaplain Elizabeth Ann Chaplain
03/23/2014 Concord, NH	Elyana Anne Ordway	Shane Ordway Nikola Ordway
04/03/2014 Concord, NH	Nora Rivka Collins	Christopher Collins Manya Collins
04/15/2014 Concord, NH	Abel Christian Bjorn Miller	Sarah Miller
05/13/2014 Concord, NH	Parker James Gelinis	Eric Gelinis Cassi-Mae Gelinis
05/22/2014 Concord, NH	Laney Kristine Rogers	Kalvin Rogers Courtney Rogers
06/13/2014 Concord, NH	Jackson Elias Giles	William Giles Lauralee Giles
07/01/2014 Concord, NH	Donavin Kenneth Otten	Derek Otten Heather Powell
07/03/2014 Manchester, NH	Chloe Jean Duverger	Chance Duverger Hannah Cutting
07/05/2014 Concord, NH	Lucille Virginia Hetherington	Jason Hetherington Ryann McKee
07/26/2014 Concord, NH	Anna Dodd Wallstin	Brian Wallstin Sarah Ashworth

Resident Birth Report

<u>Date and Place of Birth</u>	<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Father's Name Mother's Name</u>
08/03/2014 Concord, NH	Hailey Marie Thulin	Christopher Thulin Vanessa Thulin
08/11/2014 Concord, NH	Heron Blue Peterson	Tyler Peterson Aimee Peterson
08/26/2014 Concord, NH	Charles Loukas Zahn	Charles Zahn Shannon Hebert
09/04/2014 Derry, NH	Jace Holden Roessler	Celia Roessler
09/06/2014 Concord, NH	Connor Neal Bixby	Richard Bixby, Jr Colleen Bixby
09/08/2014 Concord, NH	Jack Paul Toomey	Sean Toomey Kathryn Toomey
09/20/2014 Concord, NH	Julie Elizabeth Klawiter	Robert Klawiter Holly Mathison
09/22/2014 Concord, NH	Cole Levi Anderson	Harry Anderson III Kari Canfield
09/25/2014 Concord, NH	Emilie Sophia Mann	Justin Mann Jessica Mann
10/16/2014 Concord, NH	Ronald Shilson Palmer V	Ronald Palmer IV Sarah Palmer
10/31/2014 Concord, NH	Herbert Clyde Paradie IV	Herbert Paradie III Heather Akins
11/05/2014 Concord, NH	Isaiah Lennon White	Blake White Ashley Titus
11/21/2014 Concord, NH	Max Lorenzo Simoni	Jonathan Simoni Leia Simoni

Resident Death Report

<u>Date and Place of Death</u>	<u>Decedent's Name</u>	<u>Military</u>	<u>Father's Name</u> <u>Mother's Maiden Name</u>
02/03/2014 Concord, NH	Fred Creed, Jr	N	Fred Creed, Sr Dorothy Hall
02/06/2014 Warner, NH	Maxine Kumin	N	Peter Winokur Doll Simon
03/07/2014 Warner, NH	Irene Bosela	N	John Golder Mary Mihaison
03/30/2014 Warner, NH	Aaron Durgin	N	Robert Durgin, Sr Donna Wheeler
04/04/2014 New London, NH	Isabel Brassard	N	Augustine Motta Isabel Raymond
05/08/2014 Concord, NH	Russell Ellsworth	N	Elmer Ellsworth Alice Hardy
05/27/2014 Concord, NH	Eleanor Blomberg	N	Saturnin Klimasieski Helen Wozniak
05/30/2014 Warner, NH	Herman Young, Jr	Y	Herman Young, Sr Nellie Fogg
06/15/2014 Warner, NH	Rodger Lawrence	Y	Merle Lawrence Ethel Hughes
06/23/2014 Warner, NH	Ralph Parsons	N	Roy Parsons Marjorie Wheeler
07/20/2014 Concord, NH	Fay Dyer	N	Harrison Baldwin Elizabeth Sargent
07/28/2014 Warner, NH	Frederick Heller	Y	Irving Heller Sally Friedman

Resident Death Report

<u>Date and</u>			<u>Father's Name</u>
<u>Place of Death</u>	<u>Decedent's Name</u>	<u>Military</u>	<u>Mother's Maiden Name</u>
08/10/2014	George Greenlaw, Sr	Y	Theodore Greenlaw
Concord, NH			Katherine Davis
08/25/2014	Tina Schirmer	N	Max Schirmer
Lebanon, NH			Margaret Waelti
10/25/2014	Randy Shampney, Sr	N	Edward Shampney, Sr
Concord, NH			Ethel Young
11/25/2014	Robert Davis	Y	Leonard Davis
Warner, NH			Katherine Coughlin
11/30/2014	Robert Ross	Y	Burton Ross
Warner, NH			Barbara Donley
12/02/2014	Adelaide St Pierre	N	Raoul Deshaies
Concord, NH			Angeline St Louis
12/12/2014	Sean Ladd	N	William Ladd
Concord, NH			Kelly Durgin
12/13/2014	Carol Koski	N	Lerwell Lucas
Concord, NH			Edith Hook

Resident Marriage Report

<u>Date & Place</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>
04/28/2013	John L Sprague	Warner, NH
Warner, NH	Stephanie J Esping	Warner, NH
07/20/2013	Hugh J Boddington	Warner, NH
Hebron, NH	Sarah B Dorner	Warner, NH
07/31/2013	Peter V Sampo	Warner, NH
Nashua, NH	Mary K Mumbach	Merrimack, NH
08/10/2013	Benjamin D Frost	Warner, NH
Warner, NH	Christine A Walker	Warner, NH
08/10/2013	Tyler B Peterson	Warner, NH
Hopkinton, NH	Aimee M Sanborn	Warner, NH
09/01/2013	Daniel R Wight	Warner, NH
Manchester, NH	Ramia B Toukatli	Warner, NH
09/14/2013	Sean P Toomey	Warner, NH
Warner, NH	Kathryn G Bransfield	Warner, NH
09/28/2013	Stephen L Augeri Jr	Warner, NH
Wilmot, NH	Rebecca J Harding	Warner, NH
09/28/2013	William P Monfette	Warner, NH
Pelham, NH	Rebecca L Payne	Warner, NH

*Respectfully submitted,
Judy Newman-Rogers
Town Clerk*

*Warner Village Water
District
Annual Report
2014*

Commissioners

Peter Newman 2017
Peter F. Savlen, Jr. 2015
Daniel Lavoie 2015

Clerk

James McLaughlin 2015

Treasurer

Christine Perkins 2015

Deputy Treasurer

Linda Hartman 2015

Moderator

Kathy Carson 2017

Water Village District Staff

Superintendent - David Brenen
Operator - Charles Come, Jr.
Operator - Stanley Hannum
Administrative Assistant - Ray Martin

As always, the Commissioners invite the public to attend their bimonthly meetings, held on the second and fourth Monday of each month beginning at 9:00 AM at the Treatment Plant located at 55 West Joppa Road.

**WARRANT OF THE WARNER VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT
2015 ANNUAL MEETING
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the Warner Village Water District in the Town of Warner, in Merrimack County, in said State, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Town Hall in said Warner on Tuesday, the seventeenth day of March next, at 7:00 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose one Commissioner for three years and one Commissioner for one year.
2. To choose a Clerk and a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
3. To hear the reports of the District Officers and Committees as printed in the Town Report for the preceding year and pass any vote relating thereto.
4. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred fourteen thousand nine hundred sixty-three dollars (\$414,963.00) for the operation, maintenance and improvement of the District's water and sewer systems. (Recommended by the District Commissioners and the Budget Committee).
5. To transact any other business that may legally come before the said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 9th day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and fifteen.

Commissioners of the Warner Village Water District
Peter E. Newman
Peter F. Savlen, Jr.
Daniel Lavoie

Warner Village Water District Commissioners' Report

2014 was a very busy year for the District, maintaining and improving the waste water treatment facilities and the water supply system to ensure that these critical services continue to meet the needs of the residents and businesses of the District.

The Commissioners wish to honor the memory Commissioner Fred Heller who passed away this year. We sorely miss his input, recommendations, and humor at our meetings.

In June the District suffered a major water main break on School Street at the bridge over Childrens Brook. District personnel, with the help of the Town Highway crew, were able to make a temporary repair with a minimum of inconvenience to our customers. A permanent fix was completed in September. We wish to thank Matt Waite and his crew for their assistance.

Jer Menard resigned as Superintendent in October. The Commissioners have hired an interim Superintendent, Dave Brennan, to run the plant until District employee, Chuck Come obtains his operator's license from the State. The District has also hired Stan Hannum to assist Chuck.

The Second Clarifier Project started in the Spring and is proceeding with a minimum of disruption at the plant. This project will add a second clarifier to the treatment plant and make other necessary improvements. The total project cost of about \$1.1 million includes federal grants of \$793,675 and a District bond of \$350,000. The project is on schedule for completion in the Spring of 2015.

The Commissioners wish to thank the Selectmen for their spirit of cooperation between the Town and District in matters that affect all the citizens of Warner.

The Annual District meeting will be held on Tuesday March 17, 2015 at 7 pm at the Town Hall. Voters at this meeting authorize the Commissioners to conduct business for the coming year, including adopting a budget and electing District officials. This is the opportunity for registered voters living in the village precinct to vote on District affairs.

The Commissioners would like to thank Ray Martin, Chris Perkins, and Jim McLaughlin for all their dedication to the District. Thanks are also due to Phil Lord for filling in for Fred Heller and to Dan Lavoie for serving as Commissioner until March 2015.

*Respectfully submitted,
Peter E. Newman, Chairman
Peter Savlen, Commissioner
Dan Lavoie, Commissioner*

Warner Village Water District

*Balance Sheet
December 31, 2014*

Assets			
Cash on hand, December 31, 2014			136,170
Accounts Receivable:			
	Water/Sewer Rents	49,538	
	Receivables-unbilled est.	51,100	
	Total Accounts Receivable		100,638
Total Assets			236,808
Liabilities			
USDA RD Bond Clarifier		350,000	
Nat'l Rural Water Bond Mill St.		15,906	
USDA RD Bond Geneva St.		71,374	
USDA RD Bond Latting Lane		533,798	
Total Liabilities			971,078
Excess of Assets Over Liabilities			(734,270)
Value of Village District Property			
(per audit year end 12/31/2013)			
Plant Building		598,760	
Water/Sewer Mains		360,224	
Plant Equipment		2,483,719	
Land		54,700	
Construction in progress		79,288	
Less Accumulated Depreciation		(1,763,418)	
Total			1,813,273

Warner Village Water District

Receipts & Payments

January 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014

Sources of Revenue:			
Property Taxes		98,495	
Water Supply Charges		90,152	
Sewer User Charges		171,535	
Service Charges		-	
Sale of Meters		477	
Interest on Investments		147	
Tie-in Fees		-	
Miscellaneous		-	
From Surplus		21,536	
From Bonds & Notes		350,000	
From Federal Grants		681,667	
Total Revenues			1,414,008
Less Total Expenditures			1,768,304
Net Income			(354,297)
Plus Cash on Hand 12/31/13			490,467
Cash on Hand 12/31/14			136,170
Expenditures			
Administrative:			
Salaries		18,652	
Office Expense		10,177	
Audit		6,000	
Legal		-	
FICA/Medicare		10,717	
Employee Benefits		25,585	
Retirement		6,713	
Insurance		5,027	
Memberships/Education		1,655	
State Licenses/Fees		150	
Total Administrative			84,676
Contingency	(N.Village Rd.Exp)		5,238
Total Administrative + Contingency			89,914

Warner Village Water District

Water & Sewer Expense

January 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014

Water System:			
Salaries		35,259	
Meters		-	
Building Materials & Repairs		3,135	
Miscellaneous		96	
Electricity - Storage Tanks		474	
Tools		1,007	
Electricity - Royce Well		8,559	
Propane - Pump House		265	
Chemicals		1,458	
System Maintenance		12,101	
Testing		954	
Repairs - Outside Contractors		9,274	
Total Water			72,581
Sewer System:			
Salaries		82,479	
Lab Expense		18,892	
Supplies		1,996	
Truck Gas		9,989	
Truck Maintenance		5,547	
Sewer Materials		2,374	
Equipment Repairs		12,687	
Uniforms		1,219	
Chlorine/Chemicals		12,102	
Electricity - Plant		15,126	
Safety Equipment		3,951	
Miscellaneous		386	
Tools		1,567	
Building Maint. & Repair		194	
Service - Outside Contractors		8,654	
Sludge Removal		10,326	
Electricity - Pump Station		1,134	
Maintenance - Pump Station		1,196	
Propane - Plant		3,985	
Testing - EPA/State		2,739	
Total Sewer			196,544

Warner Village Water District

Long Term Debt

January 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014

Long & Short Term Debt:			
Bond Principal - Geneva		4,759	
Bond Principal - Mill Street Project		11,353	
Bond Principal - Latting Lane		17,624	
Loan Principal - BAN Clarifier		350,000	
Bond Interest - Geneva St.		3,426	
Bond Interest - Mill Street Project		939	
Bond Interest - Latting Lane		18,204	
Note Interest - BAN Clarifier		3,575	
Total Long Term Debt			409,881
Machinery, Vehicles, Equipment			-
New Construction			-
System Improvements			999,384
To Capital Reserve Fund			-
Total Expenditures			1,768,304

Warner Village Water District

Sources of Revenue

January 1, 2014 - December 31, 2014

Revenue Source	Estimated 2014	Actual 2014	Estimated 2015
Federal Grants	-	681,667	-
Water Supply System Charges	109,000	90,152	109,000
Sewer User Charges	201,000	171,535	205,000
Other Charges	-	-	-
Interest on Investments	175	147	150
Other Misc. Revenues	2,000	477	2,000
Precinct Tax	98,495	98,495	98,813
From Surplus	50,000	21,836	-
From Capital Reserve	-	-	-
From Bonds/Notes	-	350,000	-
Total Revenue	460,670	1,414,308	414,963

Warner Village Water District
2014/2015 Budget

	Approp.	Spent	Comm.	BC
Appropriations	2014	2014	Budget	Recom.
			2015	2015
Executive	19,000	18,652	19,000	19,000
Financial Admin.	14,200	16,177	17,000	17,000
Legal	1,000	-	1,000	1,000
Personnel Admin.	62,950	43,015	42,236	42,236
Insurance	7,100	5,027	5,000	5,000
Dues & Lics.	850	1,805	2,300	2,300
Other (Contingency)	5,000	5,238	5,000	5,000
Sewage	174,300	196,544	182,324	182,324
Water Services	43,550	48,795	51,022	51,022
Water Treatment/Other	17,200	23,786	15,500	15,500
Principal - Bonds	36,767	383,737	43,753	43,753
Interest - Bonds	28,753	26,144	30,828	30,828
Machinery	-	-	-	-
New Construction	50,000	999,384	-	-
System Improvements	-	-	-	-
To Capital Reserve Fund	-	-	-	-
Total	460,670	1,768,304	414,963	414,963

Encumbrances:

New Construction	120,000 - Clarifier
Truck Transmission	2,500
Repair of Manholes	2,500