

October 23, 2014

The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Warwick was held on Thursday, October 23, 2014 at the Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway, Town of Warwick. Supervisor Sweeton called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** Supervisor Michael Sweeton  
Councilman Floyd DeAngelo  
Councilman Russell Kowal  
Councilman James Gerstner  
Councilman Mickey Shuback

Attorney for the Town, Jay Myrow  
Police Chief, Thomas F. McGovern, Jr.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTE**

1. Regular Meeting, October 9, 2014
2. Special Meeting, October 16, 2014

Motion Councilman Shuback, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to accept the minutes as written from the Regular Meeting held on October 9, 2014 and the Special Meeting held on October 16, 2014. Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays)

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**TONYA E. CUBBY – Planning Board Secretary, Township of West Milford, 1480 Union Valley Road, West Milford, NJ 07480 – Notice to the Town stating that the Planning Board of the Township of West Milford, NY will conduct a public hearing in order to consider the adoption of the Land Use Plan Element of the Township of West Milford Master Plan. The Public Hearing has been set for Thursday, October 23, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. at the West Milford Township Municipal Building, 1480 Union Valley Rd., West Milford, NJ 07480.**

**WAYNE STEVENS – Building Inspector, Town of Warwick – Letter to the Supervisor and Town Board requesting a return of a permit fee for a pole barn (SBL#42-1-115) that was never constructed to Evelyn Avedikian in the amount of \$175.00.**

**CRISTINA HOHMANN – Applefest 2014 Coordinator – Letter to the Supervisor expressing their appreciation for the Town’s support for this year’s 26<sup>th</sup> annual festival. The help from the Warwick Police Department during event planning, presence during the event, assistance directing traffic and coordination with the Fire Police volunteers was greatly appreciated.**

**JOANNE WILCOX – Bookkeeper, Town of Warwick – Memo to the Town Board requesting the following budget transfer to cover the purchase of a computer station for the Receiver of Taxes Office:**

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Office Supplies (A00.1330.444)	Equipment (A00.1330.200)	\$935.49

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<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Check from Warwick Soccer League for ½ cost of Turf Aerator Misc. Revenues (A00.2770)	Park Equipment (A00.7110.200)	\$3,347.50
Misc. Revenues (A00.2770)		\$26,954.45
	Parks-Equipment (A00.7110.200)	\$ 3,347.50
	Parks Equipment Rental (A00.7110.418)	\$21,450.00
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**BOARD’S DISCUSSION ON CORRESPONDENCE**

Supervisor Sweeton stated that we received a letter from the Applefest committee thanking our police department, and fire police volunteers for their assistance during the festival. It was one of the largest we’ve ever had and everything was well done, peaceful, contained. The police, EMS and fire police did a great job and we thank them.

**VISITING ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

**WORK BEING**

**DONE**

**LOCATION**

CATCH

BASINS

Old Brook Ln.

Repair basins

Crystal Farm Rd.

Repair basins

DITCH

WORK

Spanktown Rd.

Clean ditches

	Treasure Ln.	Clean ditches
	Little Brooklyn Rd.	Clean ditches
TREE WORK	Spanktown Rd.	Trim roadsides
POT HOLES	Town wide	As needed
ROAD SIGNS	Town wide	As needed

## **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS REPORT**

### **COUNCILMAN DE ANGELO REPORT**

**1. For those of you who didn't see the Times Herald Record today they had a very interesting article about the Warwick Valley Humane Society and how they are over crowded with dogs. They need monetary help and donations of the usual Friskies pate or any ground cat food, large dog biscuits, heavy duty garbage bags, paper towels, paper plates, bleach, but they really need some monetary donations because they are in dire straights. I just ask you to consider them in this upcoming season.**

**Chief McGovern – I see on the agenda that we are going to have a Halloween curfew which has proven to be very helpful throughout the years.**

### **COUNCILMAN KOWAL REPORT**

**1. In the parks they are working on the walking path at Union Corners Park. I was out this week looking at the new athletic field and the guys tried really hard to get the field done on time for seeding and the hydro seeding was done very well. The only thing that didn't cooperate was Mother Nature. It was very dry and hot after the time of seeding and it's to early to tell if the seed is going to germinate or not but as a possibility in December when the grounds frozen we can put some grass seed over that and do what's called dormant seeding. In the spring time when the weather gets warm the grass will sprout or what is there it may sprout as well. As anybody who has a garden or a farm you plant your seed and take your chances and the variable there is Mother Nature and at that time we had an unusual hot dry spell and it just hasn't taken yet. We can hope for the best but if we see that it's not going to sprout and be proper we can also have a backup and put some seed out when the ground is frozen.**

### **COUNCILMAN GERSTNER REPORT**

**1. The Supervisor received a letter from Cablevision and beginning November 18<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup> 12 new channels will join the Optimum en espanol lineup. There will be no charge to the monthly price for this service. As part of the changes for Optimum en espanol programming will no longer include La familia, Latin American Sports, Latele Novela, Maria & Vision, Multimedios, Sorpresa and Tele El Salvador. You can check that at Optimum.com.**

2. I had the privilege and honor of presenting our Supervisor with the Uplinger Award and I appreciate the opportunity to do that and I congratulate the Supervisor and the other recipients of the award.

### COUNCILMAN SHUBACK REPORT

1. I want to comment on the dormant seeding. We do that on our farm and this year we are probably going to have to do over 200 acres because whatever we seeded now we're losing it. It's not coming up well enough. Dormant seeding means that it does not start growing until spring time but it gains about 2 to 3 weeks in size because it's laying there waiting to grow when it turns warm.

Supervisor Sweeton – We appreciate that and we appreciate the fact that we have someone who grows grass for a living that can give us some direction on that.

### ATTORNEY'S REPORT

### TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

1. Requests for proposals for 400 feet of 4 to 5 foot high chain link fencing for the ball field at the Quality of Life Building at the new WVOTCP were received from:

A-Better Fence Co. 135 Center St. West Milford, NJ 07480 Tel. #: (973) 728-5656	4' High Fencing (Re-use old posts & Top rail) Proposal: <u>\$4,585.00</u>
	5' High Fencing (Re-use old posts & Top rail) Proposal: <u>\$4,985.00</u>

Bilt-Well Fence Co., Inc. P.O. Box 759 521 Route 17M Monroe, NY 10950 Tel. #: (845) 782-8301	4' High Fencing & Posts Proposal: <u>\$5,985.00</u>
	6' High Fencing & Posts Proposal: <u>\$6,710.00</u>

Ketcham Fencing, Inc. 19 Borden St. Otisville, NY 10963 Tel. #: (845) 386-1161	4' High Fencing & Posts Proposal: <u>\$5,710.00</u>
	5' High Fencing & Posts Proposal: <u>\$5,900.00</u> Removal of old fencing: <u>\$1,500.00</u>

2. The General Election is on Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>. The polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and for those folks who do not know where they vote they can call the clerks office and we will look that up and tell them or they can look it up online on the Orange County Government website. They can click under departments, Board of Elections, and on the left side of the screen click on Polling Places. There they would type in their address and it will give them their polling site information.

## SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

1. Today we did entertain 40 to 50 commercial brokers from the Hudson Gateway Association of Realtors and their commercial investment division. We had a meeting in this room where we talked about the Mid-Orange Correctional Facility or the Warwick Valley Office and Technology Corporate Park. We brought them up to speed on what's available there in terms of lots to be developed and sell. Then we took them on a tour, so it was very productive. This Gateway Association comes from Rockland County, Orange County, Dutchess County and Ulster County. It was pretty widespread and they are people that are used to bringing in larger companies to areas. They were very impressed with the site and the amenities and the incentives that are available for redevelopment, so it was a good productive day for that.

2. Community Preservation Fund receipts for the month of September were \$88,038.04 which brings the total receipts in the fund to \$4,509,058.74, so that fund continues to grow which is good for our land preservation efforts.

3. We were the only entity in New York State that received funding in this round of the NRCS, which is the Natural Resource Conservation Service out of the USDA award for land preservation. We received the only award they made in New York this round of \$672,700 for three potential farms and that's about 50% of the development right values on those farms. That's another great win for us. We appreciate the support of the USDA.

4. Veteran's Day Observance - I just want to remind everyone that November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. is Veteran's Day Observance and each of the villages will hold one. Greenwood Lake will be holding one at the American Legion Post off of Lakes Road, the Village of Warwick's will be held at Memorial Park marching down from Station 1 at 10:30 a.m. and arriving at 11 or so. Florida does theirs right at their Memorial on Main Street. If you can take a few moments on November 11<sup>th</sup> to come to remember those who have served their nation and over the course of our history it would be a great observation of that service. Also on November 6<sup>th</sup> Park Avenue PTA holds their remembrance of Veteran's Day and that is at 9:00 a.m. at the Park Avenue Elementary School. If you know a Veteran who would like to attend you should put them in touch with my office and we will make sure they get there. It's a great ceremony and the kids are all there, they participate in it and honor the Veterans. It would be great to have a turnout on November 6<sup>th</sup> as well.

5. There is a new support group in Warwick that started a few months ago to support those suffering or who have loved ones that are suffering from Parkinson's disease. This is a terrible disease that inflicts so many and they meet at the American Legion Hall on Forester Avenue. If you would like more information about this please call the hall at 986-4980. Loretta Hutchinson Lenahan is organizing the support group.

6. Winding Through Warwick is just a "Save the Date". This is being resurrected as a tour on December 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> to benefit the Mt. Alverno Center. It will tour houses within Warwick that will be decorated for the holidays. This is a fundraiser and if you would like more information you can call 986-4141 or go to a

website windingthroughwarwick.com and you do have to get tickets for the event. This used to be the Holly Trail and it's being resurrected as Winding Through Warwick.

7. Supervisors Corner is published each week in the Warwick Dispatch, with excerpts printed in the Warwick Advertiser.

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (AGENDA ITEMS)**

There were no comments or questions on the agenda items.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**#R2014-247 BUDGET TRANSFER – BOOKKEEPER**

Motion Councilman Gerstner, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution to approve the following Bookkeeper budget transfer:

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Check from Warwick Soccer for ½ cost of turf aerator - Misc. Revenues (A00.2770)	Park Equipment (A00.7110.200)	\$ 3,347.50
Misc. Revenues (A00.2770)		\$26,954.45
	Parks Equipment (A00.7110.200)	\$ 3,347.50
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Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) Supervisor declared this resolution duly adopted. Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that this is to transfer the money from the soccer club as well as parkland funds which are funds generated by developers not taxpayer money into the capital projects that went on in the parks this summer.

Councilman Gerstner would really like to thank them for their continued support and help.

**#R2014-248 BUDGET TRANSFER – BOOKKEEPER**

Motion Councilman Gerstner, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to approve the following Bookkeeper budget transfer:

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Office Supplies (A00.1330.444)	Equipment (A00.1330.200)	\$935.49

**Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) Supervisor declared this resolution duly adopted.**

**Discussion:** Supervisor Sweeton stated that this is within the tax collectors office to transfer money for a computer that she needed.

**#R2014-249 SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING – 2015 PRELIMINARY BUDGET**

**Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to schedule a public hearing to consider the 2015 Preliminary Budget. Said public hearing to be held at the Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway, Town of Warwick on Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.**

**Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) Supervisor declared this resolution duly adopted.**

**#R2014-250 SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING – SPECIAL DISTRICTS**

**Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to schedule a public hearing on the Assessment Roll for the purpose of raising funds for the operation and maintenance of the Special Districts of the Town including: Wickham Village, Eurich Heights, Bellvale Park, Pine Island, West Side Greenwood Lake and WVOTCP Water Districts, Warwick Sewer District #1, Garbage District, Pine Island Lighting District, Kings Estates Lighting District, Warwick Ambulance District #1 (Warwick), Warwick Ambulance District #2 (Greenwood Lake) and Warwick Ambulance District #3 (Pine Island), Warwick Ambulance District #4 (Florida), Kings Estates Park District, Warwick Fairgrounds Sewer District #2 and the Warwick Fairgrounds Water District. Said public hearing to be held at the Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway, Town of Warwick, on Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard.**

**Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) Supervisor declared this resolution duly adopted.**

**#R2014-251 HALLOWEEN CURFEW**

**Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution to impose a curfew against congregating and loitering by those under 18 years of age or younger to begin at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 30, 2014 to 6:00 a.m. on Friday, October 31, 2014 and from 8:00 p.m. Friday, October 31, 2014 to 6:00 a.m. Saturday, November 1, 2014.**

**Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) Supervisor declared this resolution duly adopted.**

**Discussion:** Supervisor Sweeton stated as the Chief mentioned we have done this for the past 5 or 6 years and it's been very effective keeping the potential mischief and trouble down and still allows folks to have a good time. This will be in effect town wide so we ask everyone to be aware of that.

**#R2014-252 AUTHORIZATION TO REFUND BUILDING PERMIT FEE –  
EVELYN AVEDIKIAN**

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to authorize a refund in the amount of \$175.00 to Evelyn Avedikian (SBL#42-1-115) for a building permit paid for a pole barn that was never constructed as per the recommendation of the Building Inspector; letter dated October 16, 2014.

Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) Supervisor declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2014-253 AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN CONTRACT WITH COUNTY OF  
ORANGE FOR NYSERDA PROJECT**

Motion Councilman Gerstner, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to authorize the Supervisor to sign a contract agreement with the County of Orange as per a grant award from NYSERDA for the review and update, where necessary, of our Comprehensive Plan as it relates to the guidelines of the Mid-Hudson Regional Economic Development Strategy and the Mid-Hudson Regional Sustainability Plan in conjunction with Orange County, the Village and Town of Warwick, and the city of Newburgh.

Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) Supervisor declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2014-254 ACCEPT BID FOR FENCING FOR BALL FIELD AT THE  
QUALITY OF LIFE BUILDING – A-BETTER FENCE CO. INC.**

Motion Councilman Shuback, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to accept the bid for 400 feet of 5 ft. high chain link fencing (reusing old posts) at the ball field at the Quality of Life Building at the WVOTCP from A-Better Fence Co. Inc., 135 Center St., West Milford, NJ 07480 at a cost not to exceed \$4,985.00.

Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) Supervisor declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2014-255 DECLARE NOVEMBER “WARWICK ECUMENICAL FOOD  
PANTRY MONTH” IN THE TOWN OF WARWICK**

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution declaring November “Warwick Ecumenical Food Pantry Month” in the Town of Warwick to recognize their efforts to supply holiday food baskets to over 250 Warwick families.

Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) Supervisor declared this resolution duly adopted.

**Discussion:** Supervisor Sweeton stated that this is a good effort that is done at the Methodist Church on Forester Avenue and they feed both at Thanksgiving and Christmas with holiday baskets to families in need. It's a great effort and if anybody has the opportunity you can contribute, you can go there that day and help with the distribution, it's a great effort.

**BILLS:** Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Kowal to pay the bills as audited. Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays)

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (GENERAL)**

No comments were made under the privilege of the floor by the Town Board or the public.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Gerstner to enter into an executive session for the purpose of discussing the proposed, pending or current litigation. Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) 7:53 p.m.

**RECONVENE:** Motion Councilman Gerstner, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to reconvene the meeting. Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) 8:45 p.m.

**ADJOURN:** Motion Councilman Kowal, seconded Councilman DeAngelo that the regular meeting be adjourned. Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) 8:46 p.m.  
10-23-14 CP.

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Marjorie Quackenbush, Town Clerk