The regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Warwick was held on Thursday, December 28, 2023 at the Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway, Town of Warwick. Supervisor Sweeton called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** 

Supervisor Michael Sweeton Councilman James Gerstner Councilman Floyd DeAngelo Councilman Russell Kowal Councilman Kevin Shuback

Attorney for the Town, Jay Myrow – Absent DPW Commissioner, Ben Astorino Police Chief, John Rader – Absent

#### **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

- 1. Public Hearing: Warwick Isle Group LLC Subdivision Back Up Drainage District SBL # 3-1-6.21
- 2. Regular Meeting- December 14, 2023

Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Gerstner to accept the minutes as written from the Public Hearing for Warwick Isle Group LLC Subdivision Back Up Drainage District SBL# 3-1-6.21 held on December 14, 2023 and the Regular Meeting held on December 14, 2023. Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays)

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

HOWARD RONDINONE - Notification to Municipality OCM-06009 application to the NYS Office of cannabis management regarding a retail dispensary premises located at 624 Glenwood Rd. Pine Island, New York.

EUGENIO SCARPELLI – Electrical Inspector. Letter to the Building Inspector dated December 7, 2023 requesting to be added to the Town's list of approved Third Party Electrical Inspectors.

PATRICK SCOTT – Resident, Town of Warwick. Application requesting to participate in the Town of Warwick Agricultural Protection Overlay District.

MARCY GIANATTASIO – Municipal Clerk, Township of Vernon. Email to the Town Clerk regarding Ordinance #23-21 An Ordinance of the Township of Vernon, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey adding Chapter 13, "Cannabis establishment licensing and regulation." To the Township Code, establishing local annual cannabis licenses for all cannabis establishments to operate in the Township pursuant to the New Jersey Cannabis regulatory, enforcement assistance, and marketplace modernization act.

**ROBERT J SCHREIBEIS** – Letter to the Town Board requesting a refund for a withdrawn two-family building permit application for SBL# 89-2-5.22.

PAULETTE WILK RUDY – Secretary, Pine Island Fire Department. December 13, 2023 a Certificate of the results of the canvass of the Ballots cast at annual election of Pine Island Fire District Town of Warwick.

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JOHN RADER – Administrative Assistant, Warwick Fire District. December 14, 2023 a Certificate of the results of the canvass of the Ballots cast at annual election of Warwick Fire District Town of Warwick.

SUZANNR GREENHILL – Secretary, Florida Fire District. December 14, 2023 a Certificate of the results of the canvass of the Ballots cast at annual election of Florida Fire District Town of Warwick.

DODY A. NICHOLAS – Secretary, Greenwood Lake Joint Fire District. December 14, 2023 a Certificate of the results of the canvass of the Ballots cast at annual election of Greenwood Lake Joint Fire District Town of Warwick.

DEBORAH A. EURICH – Assessor, Town of Warwick. Copy of letter from Deborah Eurich to Ariana Dalton expressing her appreciation for all her hard work in the assessor office particularly for the past five years

JAMES OBROTKA – Building Inspector, Town of Warwick. Letter to Town Board dated December 20, 2023 recommending a refund of a withdrawn permit for a two –family dwelling application be returned to Robert Schreibeis.

JOHN D RADER – Chief of Police, Town of Warwick. Letter dated December 21, 2023 to the Town Board recommending a new appointment for a part-time dispatcher to fill a recent vacancy.

LINDA A. ZAPPALA – Town Clear, Town of Chester. Public Notice regarding Introductory Local law # 8 of 2023 regarding a moratorium on certain permits certificates of occupancy and approvals for residential development consisting of five (5) or more residential lots or multi-family or multi-unit dwellings containing five (5) or more dwelling units. Hearing set for January 24, 2024 at 7:00pm at the Chester Town Hall.

NICOLE ANDERSON – Orange County Government. Email dated December 21, 2023 regarding Orange County Flooding. If you need any assistance with regards to repairs to structures that may be impacted by flooding, please feel free to reach out the DEC Floodplain Management program (floodplain@dec.ny.gov or 518-402-8185). If you have questions

. . about flood insurance policies, you will be directed to speak with a flood insurance agent or you can visit the following site: <u>FloodSmart | The National Flood Insurance Program</u>.

# **BOARD'S DISCUSSION ON CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **VISITING ELECTED OFFICIALS**

## **REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

Supervisor Sweeton introduced the former Chair of the Friendly Visitor Program, Vince Copello, the former Executive Director of the Warwick Chamber. Mr. Johndrow, our great Town Historian Dr. Hull, the Hon. Judge DeAngelo and our Rec Director Sam Walters.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS REPORT**

Ditch Work	Round Hill Rd.	Clean Ditches
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Bellvale Lakes Rd.	Clean Ditches
····	Sanfordville Rd.	Clean Ditches
TREE WORK	Town Wide	Clean up storm damage
POT HOLES	Town wide	Fill with cold mix
SANDING	Pine Island Area	Salt 12-23-23
VEHICLE MAINT.	As needed	
EMERG. REPAIRS	As needed	
ROAD SIGNS	Town wide	Replace as needed
HAUL MATERIAL	Stockpile	Haul road grit to salt pile

#### PARKS DEPARTMENT

Union Corners Park	<b>Open (Bathrooms Closed)</b>	Town
Mountain Lake Park	Pool Closed	Town
Town of Warwick Dog Park	Open	Town
Airport Road Park	<b>Open (Bathrooms Closed)</b>	Town
Cascade Park	Open	Town
Wickham Woodland Park	Open	Town
Wickham Passive Boat Launch	Closed	Town

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Pine Island Park	<b>Open (Bathrooms Closed)</b>	Town
Thomas P. Morahan Waterfront Park	Beach Closed	Village of GWL
Ben Winstanley Park	Open	Village of GWL
Village of GWL Dog Park	Open	Village of GWL

#### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS REPORT

#### **COUNCILMAN DE ANGELO REPORT**

1. The Post Report for November 2023 is as follows: Greenwood Lake had 123 calls, the Town outside the Village had 466 calls, Pine Island had 182 calls, the Village of Warwick had 383 calls and the Greenwood Lake Volunteer Ambulance District had 44 calls for a total of 1,198 calls for the month of November.

2. The Warwick Valley Humane Society had a recent intake of a lot of small animals and the shelter is in need of rabbit, guinea pig and bird supplies. They need guinea pig pellet food, cockatiel food, parakeet food, guinea pig toys, CareFresh white bedding, Equine pine pellet bedding, which can be found at Tractor Supply or Wadeson's), fresh romaine lettuce and fresh parsley.

3. They would like to remind all pet owners to provide proper shelter to any pet left outside longer than 15 minutes in the coming months of winter.

- 4. Today they are caring for 185 animals.
- 5. They would like to thank the Town Board and the community for their support.
- 6. I have a letter from the Jewish Family Service that I would like read. "Dear

Supervisor Sweeton, I hope this finds you well. We here at Jewish Family Service of Orange County, Inc. would like to send our heartfelt thanks for your partnership regarding the Friendly Visitor Program. It was a pleasure working with you. You along with your team have influenced and impacted the lives of many of your constituents. Although you will no longer be at the helm, we look forward to a continued partnership with Warwick and the Advisory Board while continuing to make enhancements to the program. The Friendly Visitor Program continues to be a vital service, now more than ever for our neighbors in the community. We are honored to have worked with you and your team and hope to continue to serve Warwick for years to come. Warmly, Nicoletta Ronsini Co-Executive Director"

Supervisor Sweeton – For the public's information, remember the Friendly Visitor Program is open to Seniors in our community at no cost and its to help them with routine chores, visits to doctor. Something to help them remain in their homes and enjoy their quality of life. It's a great program and I'm very glad the town supports that.

#### **COUNCILMAN KOWAL REPORT**

#### **COUNCILMAN GERSTNER REPORT**

1. The DPW has remained busy with this weather cleaning ditches on Round Hill Road, Bellvale Lakes Road and Sanfordville Road. Tree work was done town-wide from storm damage, filling potholes with cold mix, sanding and salt in the Pine Island area on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, providing vehicle maintenance and repairs as needed, replacing road signs town wide as needed and hauling road grit to salt pile.

Commissioner Astorino – On behalf of myself and the Town of Warwick DPW I would like to wish you, Deputy Supervisor and our Supervisor the best of luck. I appreciate all of the years working together with you, it's been a really good relationship and thank you so much for you guys have done for the Town of Warwick.

Supervisor Sweeton – Thank you, I really appreciate that.

Councilman Gerstner – Thank you and thank the troops for me, I appreciate all their hard work and dedication. Thank you.

#### COUNCILMAN SHUBACK REPORT

#### ATTORNEY'S REPORT

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#### **TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**

1. I would like to congratulate both of you on your retirement, I'm going to miss you very much. I don't know what it's going to be like replacing them two.

Deborah A. Eurich, AIO – Town of Warwick Assessor – I think it's important to recognize people who do a good job, so I will start off by also adding to the accolades and thank you for 21 years of service and also to you Jimmy for 24 years of service to this town. I want to thank you and commend you both for a job well done for the town tax payers. I wish you both a happy and healthy retirement. I wanted to do this during a board meeting that was held during the day, but unfortunately the person this is about has family in for the holidays and can't be here today. I would like to read this letter for the record. "This is to my Clerk, Ariana Dalton. "As 2023 comes to an end, I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation and place this letter in your personnel file.

As your department head, I wish to thank you for your dedication to your work. During your time with the Town, and particularly the last 5 years with reduced staff, you have gone above and beyond in the unfailing accuracy and efficiency of your work, willingness to learn new tasks, and the courteous and compassionate manner in which you help the public, particularly our seniors.

Too often, we forget to recognize those that do a good job. During these last few years, neither the office nor myself could have performed nearly as well without your diligence and excellent work ethic.

The town should be grateful for and commend your service and the exemplary job you do each day to benefit the taxpayers of the Town of Warwick."

Supervisor Sweeton – We use to have an assessor and an assistant assessor and two clerks. For the past many years our assessor has been working with one staff member and you've done a great job with that. This is one of the largest towns in Orange County and I think we have the most parcels in Orange County. It's a daunting task, but she's done it by

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burning a lot of midnight oil here because I've seen it and you deserve accolades as well and Ariana is very good at what she does, we appreciate it. Thank you very much.

#### SUPERVISOR REPORT

1. 21 years ago, this room was full of people who were angry about zoning and I think Mr. Astorino might have been one of those at the time, at least his dad certainly was. It was amazing and the room was literally packed, so it's nice today to see it not so packed and I like that part of it a lot. As it turned out that zoning was record setting and it's followed all over the state now. We were justified and many of the people here were on the board, well maybe just me and Jimmy but it turned out really well and we're grateful for that.

2. The Community Preservation Fund receipts for the month of November was \$115,283.09, so another good month for the Community Preservation Fund. It brings the total to date in the fund, which was enacted in 2006 and took effect in 2007 and generated \$16,740,362.00 that has helped preserve almost 40 farms that are on the plaque over there. The groundwork was laid by pioneers like Tunis Sweetman, Seymour Gordon and Leonard DeBuck and it's done such a great job for this town and we were successful in getting it extended to 2050, so it bodes well for the generations that come after us. I think by the fact that you see land values in Warwick continually climbing it is a desirable place for a lot of reasons.

3. The apple drop is in the Village of Warwick on Railroad Avenue starting at 11:30 p.m. and will drop at midnight. Thanks to the Warwick Fire Department who drops the apple and the DPW helps them set it up and the village for doing it, so if you're not doing anything else New Years Eve come down to Railroad Green, it's kind of fun.

4. I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year.

5. The journal entries were all made and verified thanks to our Comptroller, Bonnie Kane and myself and they are all in order.

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

7. On a last note, I just want to say that this has been really some of the best years I've had being in the Supervisor here in Warwick. It's an amazing place with a lot of great people. I want to thank the employees of the town who work so hard and we're stingy in what we give them to work with, but they do an exceptional job on behalf of the residents in this town. I've been honored to work with young men and ladies on the Town Board that are amazing people, dedicated public servants who we need more of in this country and I will cherish the friendships I had with all of them and the support with them. The Town Clerk has been amazing, I've worked with 3 of them, Karen, Meg and Eileen and Eileen certainly is the one who comes and visits me a lot and is very good at catching things I miss and I will miss that. I can't say enough for this great place, again it's been my honor and I thank everyone for their support over the years at the helm here. I will miss it, but life moves on and so we must. Thank you very much.

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

There were no comments or questions on the agenda items.

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#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

# #R2023-455 AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING –WARWICK AMBULANCE INC.

Motion Councilman Gerstner, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution to authorize the Supervisor to sign a memorandum of agreement of understanding with the Warwick Volunteer Ambulance Corp. Inc. to provide ambulance services in the Warwick Ambulance District for 2024. Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that this is an annual contract and they do a great service.

# #R2023-456 AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT OF UNDERSTANDING –PINE ISLAND AMBULANCE INC.

Motion Councilman Kowal, Seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to authorize the Supervisor to sign a memorandum of agreement of understanding with the Pine Island Volunteer Ambulance Corp. Inc. to provide ambulance services in the Pine Island Ambulance District for 2024.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that this is an annual contract and they do a great service.

#### #R2023-457 APPROVAL TO ADD EUGENIO SCARPELLI TO LIST OF QUALIFIED THIRD-PARTY ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to add Eugenio Scarpelli to the Town's list of approved third-party electrical inspectors. Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

#### **#R2023-458 BUDGET TRANSFERS- COMPTROLLER**

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to authorize the attached budget transfers as prepared by the Town Comptroller. Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

#### **#R2023-459** REQUEST TO SERVE ALCOHOL – STEPHEN FINKEL

Motion Councilman Kowal, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution granting permission to Steven Finkel to serve alcohol at the Wickham Woodland Manor on

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January 6, 2024. Certificate of Liability and Liquor Liability Insurance is on file in the Clerk's office.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

# **#R2023-460 REQUEST TO SERVE ALCOHOL – ELIUD ROBLEDO**

Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution granting permission to Eliud Robledo to serve alcohol at the Wickham Woodland Manor on January 13, 2024. Certificate of Liability and Liquor Liability Insurance is on file in the Clerk's office.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2023-461** REQUEST TO SERVE ALCOHOL – FOSTER FAMILY

Motion Councilman Kowal, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution granting permission to the Foster Family to serve alcohol at the Mountain Lake Park on December 31, 2023. Certificate of Liability and Liquor Liability Insurance is on file in the Clerk's office.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

## **#R2023-462** APPOINT PLANNING BOARD MEMBER – RICHARD PURCELL

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to appoint Richard Purcell as a member to the Town of Warwick Planning Board for a 5-year term to expire December 31, 2028.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that Rich has been an alternate on the Planning Board and he religiously attends all the meetings, all the site visits and he will be a great addition. Congratulations.

#### **#R2023-463** APPOINT COMMUNITY PRESERVATION MEMBER

Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Gerstner to appoint Michael P. Sweeton to the Community Preservation Advisory Board effective January 1, 2024. Motion Carried (4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Abstain Supervisor Sweeton Abstain) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

#### #R2023-464 APPOINT MUNICIPAL COMPENSATION ALLIANCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBER

Motion Councilman Gerstner, seconded Councilman Kowal to appoint Michael P. Sweeton to serve as the Town's representative member on the Municipal Compensation Alliance Board of Directors.

Motion Carried (4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Abstain Supervisor Sweeton Abstain) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

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Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated for the publics information this is a New York State Association of Towns sponsored workers comp program that we have been partners with since we were able to pry ourselves out of the county plan. We have saved hundreds of thousands of dollars for the residents by doing that switch and I have been privileged to serve on that board and I would like to continue to do that.

# #R2023-465 ACQUIRE EASEMENT OVER LAND IN VILLAGE OF WARWICK KNOWN AS "LEWIS WOODLANDS"

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to acquire an easement in perpetuity at a cost of \$33,750.00 over land to be acquired by the Village of Warwick, known as SBL# 205-1-31.2, as parkland extending the boundaries of "Lewis Woodlands" such property to be encumbered by a Conservation Easement (CE) to be filed by the Village of Warwick in a form approved by the Town Attorney. Proceeds to be paid from the Community Preservation Fund upon recommendation of the Community Preservation Advisory Board and subject to a permissive referendum.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that this was a privately owned parcel that the owners took a 50% reduction, donation on their behalf and the village has asked the town to help add this to the Lewis Woodlands Park. This is located off of Robin Brae and the village was afraid of someone purchasing it and trying to squeeze a little house on it that would take away from the entrance to Lewis Woodlands.

#### **#R2023-466** ACCEPT ROAD DEDICATION - KNIGHTS LANE

Motion Councilman Gerstner, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution to accept the recommendation of Commissioner Ben Astorino and pursuant to resolution #R2020-258 to accept the road known as Knights Lane and waive the posting of a maintenance bond due to the party responsible having become defunct.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Supervisor Sweeton asked the Commissioner if it's been final coated and approved the construction and the DPW Commissioner stated that is has and he did approve it. This is a new road off of Airport that goes down towards our water treatment plant for Wickham and it was part of the Wickham Lake Subdivision originally that was finally built out.

# **#R2023-467** REFUND PERMIT APPLICATION FEE – ROBERT SCHREIBEIS

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to refund \$3,840.00 back to Robert Schreibeis for a withdrawn two-family dwelling application SBL# 89-2-5.22.

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#### **#R2023-468** ACCEPT RESIGNATION PART-TIME DISPATCHER – OBED N. ALMEYDA

Motion Councilman DeAngelo. seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution accepting the resignation of Part-time dispatcher Obed N. Almeyda effective immediately.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2023-469 APPOINT PART-TIME POLICE DISPATCHER- CHRISTOPHER P. WALSH

Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to appoint Christopher P. Walsh as a part time Police Dispatcher at a rate of pay of \$20.00 per hour effective January 1, 2024 as per recommendation letter dated December 21, 2023 from the Police Chief.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2023-470** ACCEPT BID BIKE & PEDESTRIAN TRAIL - A-TECH CONCRETE

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to award the bid for pin #8760.02 bike and pedestrian trail project to A-Tech Concrete in the amount of \$1,484,295.00, pending final approval of NYS DOT and authorize the supervisor to sign the necessary contract.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that this is the federal grant/highway grant that was finally able to get a reasonable bid and supplemental money from Orange County that will tie in a trail from Cascade Park down the road in through property the town owns on Cascade to the County Park. There will be some bicycle trails created on the other side of the Village of Warwick outside of the Village of Warwick towards the Amity area as part of this grant. We are still waiting for the final okay from the DOT to vet this, but it should happen.

**#R2023-471** APPROVE WORK AGREEMENT – TOWN COMPTROLLER

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to approve a work agreement with Comptroller Bonnie Kane effective January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2026. Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that Bonnie does an amazing job for the town and we are so glad that we can tie you up for 3 years at least. Thank you very much.

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# #R2023-472 AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT – H20 INNOVATION

Motion Councilman Gerstner, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign a n agreement with H2O Innovation for maintenance and operation of the Town's Water and Sewer Districts.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that they are our current water operators and came to us at budget time with a proposal to modify and extend their contract at a reduced rate because their contract previously talked about an inflation escalation clause which hurts the water districts. They have offered a modest 1.5% increase, so I think it's a good plan for the town and I think they do a good job Matt and his crew managing our 8 water districts and 2 sewer districts.

Councilman Gerstner – When I go back to when I first started, we had an issue with the water at my first meeting.

Supervisor Sweeton – We are not going to run into that anymore.

#### **#R2023-473** WATER RATES

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to increase water rates in the following water districts in order to meet increased operational costs, as follows:

	Min/Qtr. Up to 10,000 gal	≻ 10,000 \$1,000 gal	> 30,000 \$1,000 gal
SW 1 Bellvale	\$135	\$6	\$8
SW 4 Wickham	\$75	\$6	\$8

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that this brings those higher numbers in line with all the other water districts and unfortunately the rate for minimum had to go up in those districts due to increase costs.

#### **#R2023-474** APPOINT FULL TIME- PARK ATTENDANT

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to appoint Henry Groen as a full – time Park Attendant, Grade 3 Step 1, at a pay rate of \$22.16 per hour as per the CSEA Contract effective January 2, 2024.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated Henry has worked for us part-time for many years

and he's been stepped up to do some really critical work at Mountain Lake Park as a Park Attendant.

# #R2023-475 AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT -- PBA

Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign a Memorandum of Agreement with the Warwick PBA regarding the carryover of compensatory time for Police Officer Joseph Kennedy.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

#### #R2023-476 AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN AGREEMENT – HUDSON SPORTS COMPLEX

Motion Councilman Gerstner, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign an agreement giving the Town an easement over property, a portion of 46-1.46.122 owned by Hudson Sports Complex as part of the Transformation Trails Project. Subject to permissive referendum.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that when the town and the LDC worked out the transfer of the prison to the State and created boundary lines around the buildings to be bought by the LDC and sold. Oddly enough they created one of the lot lines for what is Hudson Sports prison complex. Part is owned by Hudson Sports and part by the town in between the fences. That's where the Transformation Trails Project is currently being conceived and built and Hudson Sports would like access and the volunteers working on the Transformation Trails Project to include the whole area between the fences. That's what this agreement allows to happen.

#R2023-477 ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR FARM PRESERVATION SIGNS – RAVEN LAKE STUDIOS

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to accept a proposal from Raven Lake Studios, 28 Church Street, Warwick NY for two (2) Farm Preservation Signs with posts and all necessary hardware in the amount of \$3,623.02 to be paid from the Community Preservation Fund, TE3.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that these are the signs the county initially provided and they no longer provide the signs. One sign will go on what's now called Pennings Meadow the former John Baird Farm on Sanfordville Road that the Pennings Family bought. The other farm sign will hopefully be installed early next year on the 200-acre Astorino Farm on Belcher Road and that will be our farm, I think that pushes us over 5,000 acres.

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# #R2023-478 AUTHORIZE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN CONTRACT – KAUFMAN SCHOOL OF MUSIC

Motion Councilman Kowal, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution authorizing the Supervisor to sign a contract with the Kaufman School of Music to run a summer arts and music camp at Mountain Lake Park.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that the Kaufman School of Music is in New York City and they heard about Mountain Lake Park somehow and approached Sam about coming and doing a summer program here. We are excited about that because it exposes Mountain Lake Park to a wider audience and hopefully it will continue to build interest in the park. They're an exceptional outfit, they're excited and we hope it works out very well.

# #R2023-479 ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR COMPUTER PROGRAMMING ASSISTANCE & ONSITE INSPECTION SERVICES FOR WARWICK SEWER PLAN #1-EVOQUA

Motion Supervisor Sweeton, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to accept proposal from Evoqua for computer programing assistance and onsite inspection services for the sand filters at Warwick Sewer Plant #1 in the amount of \$11,639.52.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton stated that this is part of the upgrade to our main sewer plant and we need the controller to be able to talk intelligently to the filters and operate their functions.

#R2023-480 DEDICATE AND NAME PAVILION AT MOUNTAIN LAKE PARK AS THE MICHAEL P. SWEETON PAVILION

Motion Councilman Kowal, seconded Councilman Gerstner to adopt a resolution to dedicate and name the pavilion at the Mountain Lake Park as the Michael P. Sweeton Pavilion in honor of his 22 years of dedicated service and beautification to the Town of Warwick.

Motion Carried (4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Abstain Supervisor Sweeton Abstain) Supervisor Sweeton declared this resolution duly adopted.

Discussion: Supervisor Sweeton thanked the Board for the great honor. Normally you're dead when they name things after you and I'm hoping I have a few years left. It's really a great honor and a wonderful asset to the town and I appreciate it. Thank you very much.

Councilman Gerstner – I would like to thank Russ for spearheading and designing and doing a lot of the work and a great job. I really appreciate that. Thank you, Russ.

Councilman DeAngelo – It's well deserved.

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

# PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (GENERAL)

Supervisor Sweeton – Hon. Judge Nancy DeAngelo is retiring and I wish you nothing but the best.

Hon. Judge Nancy DeAngelo – I just want to say as a citizen what has been accomplished under your time period in this town is in perpetuity. You've taken land and preserved it. We have nothing better in Warwick, there's nothing more important than the beauty of this town. There is not one major highway in all of Warwick. This is a community and a community that people want to live in. What you have done is preserved the thing that makes it so beautiful. You also have taken land that was costing money and you transformed it into land that is an asset to the community and now pays taxes. There are so many things that you have done that will live longer than you and longer than all of us in this room, it's permanent and it's something that all of us have to thank you for.

Supervisor Sweeton – Thank you Judge and I appreciate it. Again, it's been an honor to work with teams that get it all. Our villages are great, our hamlets are great and everybody that services this community it's been a pleasure. I've been lucky to work with folks that even though we didn't always agree we always came together to do the right thing; it's been a great honor.

Dr. Richard Hull - Town of Warwick Historian - I would like to echo what Nancy just said as the Town Historian and I can very firmly say that we have never had a supervisor of this community who has done more to preserve this community, the integrity of this community, the beauty of this community, the resources and the land. The integrity that he has built has been reflected in the comparative lack of authorization that has been going on in our entire nation. So many people that you have mentioned years ago when you were here and you started out and there was so much contention. There was a lot of animosity and I see so much turmoil around us but in Warwick because we have had a supervisor who has been trustworthy, of high integrity of vision of looking ahead and leaving the greatest legacy anyone could ever leave and that is land for future generations. It has been such an honor and pleasure to serve this town as the Town Historian because we have such a great community. A community that's always thinking ahead and I think that Michael has done a fantastic job leading us and bringing people together in a synergistic way to move us forward in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Mike, it really has been an honor to serve you as your Town Historian. I wish you well and I'm delighted that we are going to see more of you because you're going to be working on these committees. I wish you well and I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Supervisor Sweeton – Thank you.

Councilman Kowal – I would like to thank Jim, Mike and Nancy for their service. I've learned an awful lot with you guys. Mike enjoy your retirement. Jim, we'll still see you around.

Councilman Gerstner - Thank you, I probably won't be as good as Michael, but for all these years I want to thank all the members of the Board. Michael a great job and past Supervisor Houston and all the employees for all your hard work, thank you.

Michael Johndrow – I would like to agree with everything that's been said. I've only been here for 17 or 18 years and by coming onto the Chamber of Commerce this gentleman guided me and took me under his wing. This is an amazing area; we'll never leave we're here forever and we've lived in a lot of different places. This is our last stop and we just think it's wonderful and I want to credit you for helping make it a wonderful area.

Supervisor Sweeton - Thank you.

Michael Johndrow - I don't know if you agree with me or not but I always like to say he's not a politician he goes out and does the best for the people he represents. I just wish more of our politicians would be like that and do what they are voted for. I think in the 15 years on the chamber I don't think you missed more than 2 or 3 ribbon cuttings and we had a lot of ribbon cuttings. I wish the very best to you, your wife, your family and congratulations on the new grandchild.

Supervisor Sweeton – The grandchild is pretty exciting. Thank you all very much.

Councilman DeAngelo - Mike, I would like to thank you, it's been almost 18 or 19 years ago vou asked me to join you on the Town Board and it's been an absolute pleasure. I don't think anybody could have done a better job than you have.

Supervisor Sweeton - Thank you, I appreciate it. Thank you very much everyone.

Town Clerk presented the Town Supervisor, Michael Sweeton and Town Councilman James Gerstner with a gift on behalf of her and the Town of Warwick Town Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion Councilman Kowal, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to enter into an executive session to discuss medical, financial, credit or employee history of a particular person/Corp. or matters leading to said dismissal, removal, promotion, appointment, employment, disciple, demotion or suspension. Motion to Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) 1:40 p.m.

**RE-CONVENE:** Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Gerstner that the regular meeting be re-convened. Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) 1:44 p.m.

ADJOURN: Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Gerstner that the regular meeting be adjourned. Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) 1:45 p.m. 12-28-23 CP

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SWEARING IN CEREMONY OF NEWLY ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS: December 18, 2023, Town Clerk, Eileen Astorino presided over the swearing in of the Hon. Jesse Dwyer, Town Supervisor, the Hon. Ana Kanz, Receiver of Taxes, the Hon. Thomas Mattingly, Town Councilman, and the Hon. Karen Amundson, Town Justice.

The Annual Re-Organizational Meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Warwick was held on Friday, January 2, 2024 at the Town Hall, 132 Kings Highway, Town of Warwick. Supervisor Dwyer called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE: Supervisor Jesse Dwyer Councilman Floyd DeAngelo Councilman Russell Kowal Councilman Kevin Shuback Councilman Thomas Mattingly

## **LETTERS RECEIVED REQUESTING APPOINTMENTS FOR 2024**

#### **ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS FOR 2024**

Suzyn Barron Joan Schmick Christine Sheren Laura Trezza Christine Dawwson-Farmer

#### AUDITOR

Stephen M. Brown, CPA Westgate Office Park, 1 Hatfield Lane, PO Box 606 Goshen, New York 10924

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Maximillian A. Stach, AICP as Senior Planner

#### PLANNING BOARD ENGINEER

HDR Engineering P.C. 1 International Boulevard, Suite 1000 Mahwah, NJ 07495

#### TOWN HALL CLEANER

Shirley Moellman 7 Kenilworth Lane Warwick, New York 10990

CLASSIC CLEANING P.O. Box 484 Florida, NY 10921

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Michael J. Newhard Mayor, Village of Warwick 77 Main Street Warwick, NY 10990

Kelli Kelm Deputy Mayor, Village of Greenwood Lake Church Street, P.O. Box 7 Greenwood Lake, NY 10925

James E. Gerstner Deputy Town Supervisor 132 Kings Highway Warwick, NY 10990

## SUPERVISOR'S STATE OF THE TOWN ADDRESS:

To the residents of Warwick, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself, officially, as our new Town of Warwick Supervisor. At 38 years old, I am a near 30-year resident of the town of Warwick, coming from Greenwood Lake where my wife, our two children and I live today. I previously served as the Village Mayor of Greenwood Lake for 10 years, served on the Board of Trustees for 3 years and on the Village Planning Board prior to that. I own and operate a small business in the medical field for the past 10 years in Greenwood Lake. I am an avid community volunteer within our community serving as a volunteer EMT for Greenwood Lake Ambulance and more recently, Warwick Ambulance Corp. I serve as co-chairman of Greenwood Lake's Centennial Committee, as a baseball coach, co-den leader for our local cub scouts and as an active member of the Greenwood Lake Gaelic Society and as an officer for our local Elks Lodge.

My vision for the Town of Warwick is simple; our government exists to provide various functions for our taxpayers and it is our obligation to provide those services both at a cost-effective manner and to ensure we are providing the best services possible for our residents.

Our goal, as a Town Board, is to protect the bucolic character of Warwick while meeting the needs of a growing population, all while maintaining fiscal stewardship of the hard-earned tax dollars sent to support town government and the services we provide for you. The town of Warwick is lucky to have a dedicated Town Board that represents all sectors of the town and we have an incredible workforce that serves to support the needs of our town. I will work with our Town Board and staff to deliver the best outcome for our residents every step of the way.

Although there will be a learning curve as I transition from village government to town government, I have the skills, tools and support system necessary to hit the ground running. I have been working with outgoing Supervisor Mike Sweeton for the past two months preparing for a seamless transition, which will continue building on the progress made by Mike and his team. I look forward to partnering with our three local villages, our chambers of commerce and organizations throughout the town to serve our more than 32,000 Warwick residents. From Sterling Forest to Pine Island and Florida to New Milford, you will have a voice in my administration. I will work hard to keep Warwick the most desirable place to live in Orange County and I will run our local government in a fair and transparent manner. Thank you for this opportunity and now it is time to get to work.

#### **SUPERVISOR APPOINTMENTS:**

**DEPUTY SUPERVISOR** – Supervisor Dwyer appoints James Gerstner as Deputy Supervisor at \$8,000.00 during the year 2024 with all powers of the Supervisor in accordance with Town Law §42, which appointment shall be deemed to be "at-will".

#### LIAISON APPOINTMENTS:

Planning & Zoning –	Supervisor Jesse Dwyer
Animal Control -	Councilman Floyd DeAngelo
Water & Sewer -	Supervisor Jesse Dwyer
Police -	Councilman Floyd DeAngelo
Technology Coordinator –	Councilman Thomas Mattingly
Recycling -	Councilman Thomas Mattingly
Public Works -	Councilman Kevin Shuback
Parks -	Councilman Kevin Shuback
Recreation -	Councilman Russ Kowal
Cable Television Regulation –	<b>Councilman Thomas Mattingly</b>
Friendly Visitor Liaison-	Councilman Floyd DeAngelo

Labor-Management Relations –	Councilman Russell Kowal
Claims Coordinator -	Town Clerk, Eileen Astorino
Airport -	Councilman Floyd DeAngelo
Town Board Liaison to the Village of Warwick –	Councilman Thomas Mattingly
Town Board Liaison to the Village of Greenwood Lake	– Councilman Floyd DeAngelo
Town Board Liaison to the Village of Florida -	Councilman Kevin Shuback

**#R2024-01** ELECTED OFFICIALS' SALARIES – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution that the salaries of elected officials be as follows:

Supervisor -	\$70,000.00
Town Clerk -	\$64,750.00
<b>Records Manageme</b>	nt Officer - \$4,000.00
Councilmen (4) -	\$12,250.00/each
Justices (2) -	\$30,000.00/each
<b>Receiver of Taxes -</b>	\$45,082.00

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-02 BUDGET DIRECTOR – Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that Supervisor Dwyer be appointed as Budget Director at a rate of \$25,000 per year.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-03 AUDIT COMMITTEE- Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution to appoint Supervisor Dwyer and Councilman Thomas Mattingly to the Town of Warwick Audit Committee for 2024 with no additional compensation provided. Town Law §42.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-04** POLICE COMMISSIONER- Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution to appoint Supervisor Dwyer as Police Commissioner for 2024 with no additional compensation provided as per Town Law §150.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-05** REGISTRAR & DEPUTY REGISTRAR OF VITAL STATISTICS – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that Eileen Astorino, Town Clerk be appointed Registrar of Vital Statistics at a salary of \$1,500.00 and Carolyn Purta be appointed Deputy Registrar of Vital Statistics at a salary of \$564.00.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-06** COLLECTOR OF SEWER AND WATER RENTS – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that Supervisor Dwyer be appointed as Collector of Sewer and Water Rents at no additional compensation.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-07** TOWN HALL CLEANER – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution to appoint Shirley Moellman as part-time Town Hall cleaner to be paid at the rate of \$15.75 per hour. Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-08 OFFICIAL BANKS – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that Key Bank, JP Morgan Chase (formally the Bank of New York) Orange Bank & Trust, Webster Bank (formally Sterling Bank), NYCLASS and Connect One Bank be designated as the official depositories and banks of the Town of Warwick.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-09 PART-TIME HELP** – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that part-time help be paid at the rate of not less than \$15.75 per hour and no more than \$32.50 per hour depending on qualifications and experience with the Town Board establishing the salary of any person hired.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-10** BAILIFFS – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that David Decker, Linda Lupinski and Neil Ryan be appointed as bailiffs and be compensated at the rate of \$18.25 per hour.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-11 PART-TIME DISPATCHERS** – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that part-time Dispatchers be compensated at the rate of up to \$20.00 per hour when needed with the Town Board establishing the salary of any person hired.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-12 PART-TIME HIGHWAY LABORERS – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that part-time Highway Laborers be compensated at the rate of \$15.75 - \$16.75 per hour with the Town Board establishing the salary of any person hired.** 

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-13** BINGO & GAMES OF CHANCE INSPECTOR – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution appointing Richard Koziola as Bingo and Games of Chance Inspector and that compensation be at the rate of \$17.43per hour.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-14** VETERAN FUEL ALLOTMENT – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution that a \$700.00 fuel allotment be granted to each of the following veteran's organizations: VFW Post #4662 (Warwick), American Legion Post #214 (Warwick), American Legion Post #1250 (Florida), American Legion Post #1443 (Greenwood Lake) and PLAV Post #16 (Pine Island). Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-15** TOWN HISTORIAN/DEPUTY HISTORIAN – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution appointing Dr. Richard Hull as Town Historian and Sue Gardner as Deputy Town Historian at no compensation except for mileage and expenses.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-16 DEPUTY TOWN ATTORNEY – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to adopt a resolution to appoint John Bollenbach as Deputy Town Attorney at a retainer of \$20,000 per year and any litigation, and Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) program at the hourly rate of \$250 per hour, which appointment shall be deemed to be "at-will".

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-17** SPECIAL COUNSEL – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution to appoint Buckheit Partners LLP, J&G Law, LLP, Jaspan Schlesinger, LLP and Blustein, Shapiro, Frank & Barone, LLP, Robert E. Krahulik, Esq as Special Counsel as per each firm's approved 2024 rate schedule to handle matters required by the Supervisor and Town Board, which appointments shall be deemed to be "at-will".

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-18** ATTORNEY FOR THE TOWN OF WARWICK – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution appointing John Buckheit/Buckheit Partners LLP as Attorney for the Town of Warwick at a set annual fee of \$35,000.00 to be paid monthly. Duties to include Special Council for the Town as well as code prosecution in the Town Court.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-19** LABOR COUNSEL – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution to appoint Thomas, Drohan, Waxman, Petigrow & Mayle, LLP as labor counsel as per said firm's approved 2024 rate schedule, which appointment shall be deemed to be "at-will".

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

DEPUTY TOWN CLERKS – Town Clerk, Eileen Astorino, appoints Carolyn Purta and Melissa Stevens as Deputy Town Clerks at no additional compensation to act for her during the year 2024 with all powers of the Town Clerk.

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#R2024-20 DEPUTY TOWN CLERKS – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to adopt a resolution to pay Deputy Town Clerk's Melissa Stevens and Carolyn Purta \$44.96 per hour for the year 2024.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

DEPUTY RECEIVERS OF TAXES – Receiver of Taxes, Ana Kanz, appoints Carol Marion and Debbie Carmody as Deputy Receivers of Taxes at no additional compensation to act for her during the year 2024 with all powers of the Receiver of Taxes.

**#R2024-21 RECEIVER OF TAXES PART-TIME EMPLOYEES – Motion Supervisor** Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to adopt a resolution to pay the Receiver of Taxes part-time employees: Carol Marion at \$21.50 per hour and Debbie Carmody at \$18.00 per hour.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-22** MILEAGE ALLOWANCE – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution that all employees and town officials be reimbursed at the IRS rate when using their own vehicles on official Town business.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-23** APPOINTMENT OF ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to appoint Suzyn Barron, Joan Schmick, Christine Sheren, Laura Trezza and Christine Dawson-Farmer as Town of Warwick Animal Control Officers for 2024.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-24** FINANCIAL AND BUDGET ADVISOR – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution to appoint Stephen M. Brown as financial and budget advisor to the Town of Warwick as per the 2024 rate schedule, which appointment shall be deemed to be "at-will".

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-25** DIAL-A-BUS SALARIES – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to adopt a resolution setting salary for part-time Dial-A-Bus drivers at \$22.00 per hour.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-26 DPW COMMISSIONER SALARY – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that the salary for DPW Commissioner, Benjamin Astorino, will be \$102,675.00 for the year 2024.

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**#R2023-27** DEPUTY DPW COMMISSIONER SALARY – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that the salary for Deputy DPW Commissioner, William Roe, will be \$67,867.00 for the year 2024.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-28 ASSESSOR SALARY – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to adopt a resolution that the salary for Assessor, Deborah Eurich will be \$104,910.00 for the year 2024.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-29** APPOINTMENT OF STAR PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to appoint Deborah Eurich, Town Assessor, as the Administrator of the STAR Program for the year 2024 at a salary of \$2,075.00 per year.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-30 COURT CLERKS – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to adopt a resolution to pay the Town of Warwick Court Clerk Lori Mosher \$39.71 per hour and Nicole Tarazona \$27.93 per hour for the year 2024.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-31** TOWN BOARD MEETING DATES – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution that Town Board meetings be held in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 132 Kings Highway, Town of Warwick on Thursdays in accordance with the following proposed meeting dates schedule:

<u>DATE (2024)</u>	TIME (P.M.)	DATE (2024)	TIME (P.M.)
<b>JANUARY 18</b>	7:30	JULY 11	7:30
FEBRUARY 8	7:30	AUGUST 8	7:30
FEBRUARY 22	7:30	*AUGUST 22 (Audited Bills)	
MARCH 14	7:30	SEPTEMBER 12	7:30
MARCH 28	7:30	SEPTEMBER 26	7:30
APRIL 11	7:30	OCTOBER 10	7:30
APRIL 25	7:30	OCTOBER 24	7:30
**MAY 16	1:00	<b>NOVEMBER 14</b>	7:30
MAY 30	7:30	NOVEMBER 21	7:30
JUNE 13	7:30	<b>DECEMBER 12</b>	7:30
JUNE 27	7:30	**DECEMBER 26	1:00

\* Meeting to pay the duly audited bills

\*\* Meeting time change

#R2024-32 TOWN BOARD WORKSHOPS – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution that Town Board Workshops be held in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 132 Kings Highway, Town of Warwick, one and one-half (1 ½) hours before the Town Board meetings.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-33 PLANNING BOARD MEETING DATES – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to adopt a resolution that Planning Board meetings be held on the first and third Wednesdays, except holidays, at 7:30 p.m. Meetings will be held in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 132 Kings Highway, and Town of Warwick.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-34** PLANNING BOARD ATTORNEY – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to adopt a resolution to appoint Robert E. Krahulik as Planning Board Attorney as per the approved 2024 rate schedule, which appointment shall be deemed to be "at-will".

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-35** PLANNING BOARD SALARIES- Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution that the Planning Board Chairman be compensated at the rate of \$4,000.00 per year and that members of the Planning Board be compensated at the rate of \$3,000.00 per year; this monetary compensation being in lieu of mileage and other incidental expenses.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-36** PLANNING BOARD ENGINEER – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to appoint HDR, P.C. as Planning Board Engineer at the rate of as per the approved 2024 rate schedule, which appointment shall be deemed to be "at-will".

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-37** TOWN OF WARWICK PLANNING CONSULTANT – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to adopt a resolution to appoint Nelson, Pope, Voorhis as the Town of Warwick Senior Planning Consultant as per the approved 2024 rate schedule for all Planning Board application review work and for all other town related work, which appointment shall be deemed to be "at-will".

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-38** ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CHAIRMAN – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution appointing Jan L. Jansen as Chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals for 2024.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-39 ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS ATTORNEY – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution appointing Jeremy Havens as Attorney for the Zoning Board of Appeals at a yearly retainer of \$7,800.00, which appointment shall be deemed to be "at-will".

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-40** ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS MEETING DATES – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that meetings of the Zoning Board of Appeals be held on the fourth Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 132 Kings Highway, and Town of Warwick.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2023-41** ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS SALARIES – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that the Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman be compensated at a rate of \$650.00 per year and that members of the Zoning Board of Appeals be compensated at the rate of \$475.00 per year: this monetary compensation being in lieu of mileage and other incidental expenses.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-42** SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE SALARY – Motion Councilman Kowal, seconded Councilman Shuback to adopt a resolution that 25% of the salaries in the Supervisor's office be paid from funds of the water districts and the sewer district of the Town.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

SUPERVISOR'S CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY – Supervisor Dwyer appoints Rosemarie Bastanza as his confidential secretary.

**#R2024-43** SUPERVISOR'S CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY SALARY – Motion Superviosr Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution that the salary of the Supervisor's confidential secretary, Rosemarie Bastanza, be at the rate of \$52,000.00 for the year 2024.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-44** LOCAL EMERGENCY MANAGER – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to adopt a resolution to recommend to the County of Orange that Supervisor Jesse Dwyer be appointed as Local Emergency Manager and DPW Commissioner Benjamin Astorino as Deputy Local Emergency Manager at no additional compensation.

**#R2024-45** ENGINEER AND DEPUTY CODE ENFORCER/BUILDING INSPECTOR FOR TOWN – Motion Councilman Kowal, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to appoint HDR PC as Engineer/Deputy Code Enforcer/Building Inspector for the Town as per the approved 2024 rate schedule, which appointment shall be deemed to be "atwill".

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-46 WATER AND SEWER ENGINEERING CONSULTANT – Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution to appoint Delaware Engineering as Water and Sewer engineering consultants, which appointment shall be deemed to be "at-will".

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-47 DPW AUTHORIZATION TO ASSIST LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES: MUTUAL AID – Motion Councilman Mattingly, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution authorizing the DPW Commissioner to assist the local municipalities when needed and in turn they will assist us at no additional cost to the Town of Warwick.** 

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-48 BLANKET BOND – Motion Councilman Shuback, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to approve the Public Officials Faithful Performance Blanket Bond of the Selective Insurance Company, Policy #B6010335, listing the Supervisor at \$155,000.00, the Receiver of Taxes at \$2,712,383.00, and all other officials at \$50,000.00 each.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-49 RECEIVER BANK ACCOUNTS** – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to adopt a resolution to authorize the Receiver of Taxes to establish bank accounts with Webster Bank for deposits of tax collections.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-50 TOWN CLERK BANK ACCOUNT – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to authorize the Town Clerk to establish a bank account with Webster Bank for Town Clerk deposits of Town Clerk fees.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

#R2024-51 MARRIAGE OFFICERS – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution appointing John Johansen, Michael Newhard, James E. Gerstner and Kelli Kelm as Town of Warwick Marriage Officers for 2024.

**#R2024-52 RECORDS MANAGEMENT OFFICER** – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to appoint Eileen Astorino, Town Clerk, to the position of Records Management Officer for 2024.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-53** INVESTMENT POLICY – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman DeAngelo to adopt a resolution to accept the Investment policy of the Town of Warwick as adopted January 4, 1993.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-54** TOWN OF WARWICK PROCUREMENT POLICY – Motion Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Kowal to adopt a resolution to accept the Town of Warwick Procurement Policy and Procedures as adopted on January 4, 1993 and amended on January 3, 1995, and June 11, 2015.

Motion Carried (5 Ayes, 0 Nays) Supervisor Dwyer declared this resolution duly adopted.

**#R2024-55 SCHEDULE OF FEES – MOUNTAIN LAKE PARK 2024- Motion** Supervisor Dwyer, seconded Councilman Mattingly to accept the following schedule of fees for the Mountain Lake Park:

Building	Non-Profit &	Non-Residents &	<b>Refundable Deposit</b>
	<b>Resident Groups</b>	Corporate	Deposit
Lodge Dining Hall	\$55 per hour	\$75 per hour	\$200
Lodge Lounge	\$25 per hour	\$35 per hour	\$100
Lodge Lower Level	\$50 per hour	\$70 per hour	\$100
<b>Office Large Room</b>	\$25 per hour	\$35 per hour	\$50
<b>Office Small Room</b>	\$15 per hour	\$20 per hour	\$50
Cabins/Apartments	\$75 per person per night	\$100 per person per night	\$100 per unit
Bunk Houses	\$10 per person per night	\$15 per person per night	\$100 per unit
Michael P. Sweeton Pavilion	\$85 per hour	\$115 per hour	\$200
Dance Studio	\$25 per hour	\$35 per hour	\$100
Art Studio	\$25 per hour	\$35 per hour	\$100
Lakeside Grass Area/Picnic Area	FREE	\$100 for day	NA
Kitchen	\$25 per hour	\$35 per hour	\$100
Theater	\$85 per hour	\$115 per hour	\$200

ADJOURN: Motion Councilman DeAngelo, seconded Councilman Kowal that the regular meeting be adjourned. Motion Carried (5 ayes, 0 nays) 3:26 p.m.

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Eileen Astorino, Town Clerk