

Board of Selectmen
Minutes of April 18, 2023
Hybrid meeting

Present: LaCava Zoom: Papp Regrets: Angevine

Recording Secretary: C Frisbie

Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm by First Selectman LaCava

- 1) Minutes of April 4, 2023:** *Motion (Papp/Angevine) All in Favor Motion passes 2-0-0*
- 2) Additions to agenda:** *None*
- 3) Appointments to Committee vacancies:** *Motion(LaCava/Papp) to appoint Casper Grathwohl to fulfill the alternate vacancy All in Favor Motion passes 2-0-0 Motion (LaCava/Papp) to appoint Josh Tanner to fulfill the vacancy on the Cemetery Committee All in Favor Motion passes 2-0-0*
- 4) Homeland Security Grant:** *Motion (Papp/LaCava) to sign the HSGP MOA (annual grant with COG and DEMHS) All in Favor Motion passes 2-0-0*
- 5) Fire Company Apparatus Policy:** LaCava asked the Selectmen to review so they may discuss it at the next meeting.
- 6) First Selectman's Report:**
 - Green Burial discussion was brought to the Cemetery Committee
 - Discussion on Wake Boards and Wake Boats on Lake Waramuag – discussions continue with the organizations connected to the Lake along with the Towns.
 - A person contacted the Town who would like to use his metal detector equipment to look around the Brick School House. Any thing found will be donated to the Historical Society
 - Its Animal Control Week – the Municipal Animal Control/State of CT is recognizing Cynthia Brissett – LaCava read the letter.
 - Read a letter from Catchment Area Council (22) asking for a representative to serve on this committee. LaCava asked M. Brown to be the representative – correspondence attached.
 - Ran the numbers on the leasing of the Cornwall Rd Property vs expenses to date – we have broken even and will be making a profit – which funds will help offset maintenance and repairs to the home.
 - At the COG meeting the following Legislative items were discussed out of the 218 bills that made it to the floor:
 - Affordable housing
 - Medicare/Medicaid – funds to include EMS.
 - Early voting – different plans being discussed.
 - Dog licensing – possibly going online instead of through the Town Clerk's office.
 - Legal notices – doing away with mandatory placement in a newspaper.
 - MV bill did not make it to the floor for discussion.

- LOEP is due by the end of the year.
- Flood Management Training is coming up for the Town.
- Passport Day will be held at J. Hayes office on Saturday April 22nd.
- In the EMS world, DPW and dispatchers are not considered First Responders – trying to change this.
- Give Local is happening April 25-26 – please consider giving to your local organizations (Library, WHS, WLT, etc.)
- A lease with the Garden Club at Cornwall Rd has been signed.
- Speaking with a Valley Road resident and the City of Waterbury regarding the use of the road by the Reservoir “Department” and how it affects the road conditions.
- The Town Repeater has been upgraded with ARPA funds and a concrete slab and permanent generator will be installed. The project came in under the estimated budget. The old repeater will stay up as a backup so we will have communications within the Town.
- LaCava spoke with the WLT President as they reviewed possible uses of properties.
- DPW: started their Spring cleanup/sweeping of roads.
- SS: Reminder that the Warren Affordable Housing will be hosting a Community Event on Friday May 25th at the Woods. A pizza truck, entertainment and information will be available. Western CT Coalition is hosting a virtual QPR(suicide prevention training) at 1pm on 4/26. Candlelit vigil on 4/27 at Coe Park (Torrington) 6pm to remember the survivors and victims of sexual assault. Energy Assistance is now closed for the season.
- Parks and Recreation: read the report.
- RSD #20 – A Papp gave an update on the RSD #20 BOE and what has been happening. Check out the website for more information.

7) Public Comment: The following resident(s) spoke:

- J. Manley – WPL

LaCava, with the help from Manley, informed everyone of the upcoming book sale at the Library 4/22. There will be a joint event with the WLT & WHS to “ Follow the Forest” on 5/30. Boxed lunches will be available for purchase at the WGS.

Motion (Papp/LaCava) to adjourn at 5:42 pm

All in Favor Motion passes 2-0-0

Respectfully submitted by
Colleen Frisbie

Submitted attachments are available at the Town Hall, Town Clerk’s Office

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First Selectman Gregory LaCava,

On behalf of the Connecticut Municipal Animal Control Officers Association (CMACOA) we would like to take this opportunity to recognize your Animal Control Officers Cynthia Brissett for her hard work and dedication to our profession. Officer Brissett has served her community with compassion and professionalism, putting the well being of the animals in her care at the highest priority. This week is Animal Control Officers appreciation week and we are taking the time to thank the Animal Control Officers of this state for all the hard work they do throughout the year. Thank you for being outstanding Animal Control Officers and all they do.

Sincerely,

CMACOA President Chrystal Rashba

CMACOA Vice President Ryan Selig

CMACOA Secretary Brenda Pflugbeil

CMACOA Treasurer Nicholas Paproski

Greg LaCava

From: Emma Hollis <ehollis@wctcoalition.org>
Sent: Monday, April 17, 2023 12:14 PM
To: Greg LaCava
Subject: Town Representative Invitation Catchment Area Council

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of Town of Warren. USE CARE when opening attachments or links.

Dear Selectman LaCava,

I hope that this email finds you well. Outside of my role in substance use prevention I am a member of the Catchment Area Council (22). I am reaching out to let you know that our regional CAC has an opening for a representative from Warren.

We are a group that meets monthly to identify the current mental health needs and the resources available in our communities. We do this by engaging people with lived experience and local providers. We also raise awareness about emerging trends, locally and across the Greater Torrington area.

The meetings have moved to a ZOOM platform since March of 2020. We meet at 3:30pm once a month for 60-90 minutes on Zoom. We would appreciate it if you could send a representative from your town, so that our group can gain the vital perspectives it needs to engage in an intentional and meaningful way. Please send your questions to me at any time.

Warmly,



Missy


Greg LaCava

From: Missy Brown
Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2023 10:28 AM
To: Greg LaCava
Subject: Re: Town Representative Invitation Catchment Area Council

BOS Report:

1. Please remind residents that WAHC is hosting a community event on MAY 25. All are welcome, we will have New Haven Pizza Truck and Music by Mike Wilson. WAHC will be there to present information on the progress of the project and answer questions.
2. April 26 Western CT Coalition is hosting a virtual QPR training at 1:00. QPR (Question Persuade Refer) is a proven and practical suicide prevention training for not just providers/counselors but anyone. If any resident is interested in registering email me for the link.
3. April 27 at 6Pm in COE PARK a candlelit vigil is being held in remembrance of survivors and victims of sexual assault hosted by the Susan B Anthony Project.
4. Applications for energy assistance are now closed & will reopen in September

Warren Parks and Recreation – April 18, 2023

TOWN WIDE CLEAN UP THIS SATURDAY FROM 10:00 – 1:00 PM

Programming

Karate classes continue Friday evenings at Warren School

Fitness classes continue Saturday mornings at the Community Center

Basketball (adult) continues on Thursdays.

Open Gym at the Community Center continues Sundays from 1:00 – 3:00 PM

Earn your combination Safe Boating / Personal Watercraft License in just three classes!

Tuesday May 9 and Thursday May 11 from 6:00 - 9:00 PM and on Saturday May 13 from 9:00 - 12:00

Course is open to all age 12 and older.

Concert Schedule, Trip schedule, Program Schedule

Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt was held on Saturday April 8 at the Community Center and the children enjoyed the activity.

Summer Concert Series includes performances from Connecticut Grateful Dead All-Stars on Saturday July 1st and Fleetwood Mac on Saturday July 15th has been finalized.

Summer Sounds at Warren Town Beach Series which includes performances from Traveling' Vin, Mike Wilson, Pete Miserendino, The Red Hots, and Teddi & Jerry has been finalized.

Scheduling a Pizza Night at Warren Town Beach.

Working with FOWS – “Schools Out for SUMMER” night at the beach

Botanical Garden, Bronx Zoo TRIP this Sunday April 23rd

Scheduled Day Tripper Series with stops to the Botanical Garden, Bronx Zoo, Yankees vs Red Sox, Whale Watching, Mets vs Dodgers, 9-11 Museum & Memorial, Newport, overnight trips to Martha's Vineyard & Nantucket Island Hopping, Lake George & Saratoga are schedule. Working on an overnight to Kennebunkport,

SENIOR Trips and Activities

Senior Trips using the Northwest Transit Bus – trips to Port Jefferson, Lighthouse Tour out of New London, Hammonasset State Park have been confirmed. Also, planning a trip to Sheffield Island

Flower Arrangement Class at the Community Center – Thursday April 20th

Bend & Stretch Senior Program at Community Center starting Tuesday April 25th.

Senior Lunch and Learn – “What does it take to take care of a lake?” - Lake Waramaug Task Force - Sean Hayden Wednesday May 3rd

Senior Spring Luncheon at Hopkins Inn – May 11th

A pickleball net and equipment will be available for use at the Community Center – planning to have court set by May.

Warren Town Beach UPDATE

Lifeguards NEEDED

Parking Permits are available for purchase through the on-line registration system at warrenrec.org

Warren Town Beach Clean Up is scheduled for Saturday May 13th.

*** The beach will have kayak/canoe/SUP paddle racks this summer! If interested you must register on -line at warrenrec.org for the LOTTERY which will take place on April 28th Questions - call Parks and Recreation

Warren Parks