

Town of Warren
Special Board of Selectman's
Meeting Minutes
October 16, 2019
Phone Meeting
Town Hall, 50 Cemetery Rd
Meeting Room

Present: Nelson, Tanner, Warshaw
Recording Secretary: Frisbie

All Selectmen were able to attend the meeting

The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm by Craig Nelson, First Selectman

1) Discussion and possible action on rental of Town Facilities by Political Parties: T Angevine, who is running for office, wanted to use the Community Center for a political event without having to pay. Angevine wanted the Selectmen to open up the Community Center and the Library for free use for Civic (political) events. The Selectmen reminded Angevine that the Library is a separate entity and we cannot dictate what they do for renting their space. Under SEEC rules (State Elections Enforcement Commission) use of the Community Center (rental property) would be considered an "In-kind Donation" and the Town cannot support any individual or political party. Angevine questioned whether or not Nelson received confirmation of this regulation- Nelson showed proof of the regulations. Nelson stated he paid for the use of the Academy when he first ran and Warshaw said the pavilion at the Woods would be free since the buildings, bathrooms, water and electricity is not being used. Angevine questioned the Selectmen on what the regulations are for a forum (debate) – Usually a non-partisan group, like the League of Women Voters, would organize such event but didn't know exactly what is involved. Since this was not on the agenda, discussion could not continue.

Because of the SEEC regulations the Town cannot give free rental on something that has a rental fee - no action could be taken by the Selectmen.

*Motion (Warshaw/Tanner) to adjourn at 3:10pm **all approved***

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen M. Frisbie
Assistant Town Clerk