

*2016 Annual Report of the  
Town of Warner, New Hampshire*



# *Warner Service Directory*

## **ALL EMERGENCIES: DIAL 911**

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

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

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

### **Town Hall Offices - 5 East Main St.**

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

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

Phone: 456-2298 Fax: 456-2297

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

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

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

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

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

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

### **Transfer Station - 188 Route 103 West - 456-3303**

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

Tuesday noon - 4:00 p.m.

Thursday noon - 7:00 p.m.

Building Inspector - Tom Baye ..... 848-5750

Forest Fire Warden - Paul Raymond ..... 456-3770

Highway Department - 190 West Route 103 ..... 456-3366

Welfare Office ..... 456-2298 ext.2

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

Wood Bank ..... 456-2298 ext. 2

or email [selectboard@warner.nh.us](mailto:selectboard@warner.nh.us)

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

*of the*

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



**FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING  
DECEMBER 31, 2016**

Population (2010 Census) ..... 2,833  
Number of Registered Voters ..... 2,300

**Please bring this report with you to the Town Meeting  
on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 at 7:00 P.M.**

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

## *Dedication*

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Philip A. Rogers

The Selectmen are pleased and proud to dedicate the 2016 Warner Town Report to Philip A. Rogers. Phil was born in Concord N.H. and has lived in Warner his entire life. While still in school, Phil worked for Perry Young, learning to operate equipment to make maple syrup, a skill which came in handy later in his life.

After attending Simonds Free High School, Phil worked for the New Hampshire Highway Department. Later he worked for local contractors R.K.Boyd and Richard Sandy, as well as R.G.Watkins, a larger construction company. Having learned road work and construction at an early age he took over the Warner Highway Department in 1972, serving for three years as Road Agent. The Town had only one ball field at that time and there was a need for another, so Phil built another ball field and then coached the team that needed it.

After stepping down as Road Agent, he worked in the logging business with his brother-in-law for several years, eventually returning to work as the foreman for the Highway Department. Phil reconstructed and maintained town roads from 1985 until his retirement in 2007.

For years the Fire Department had not allowed residents who lived outside the Precinct to be on the Fire Department, but as soon as that rule was changed Phil joined. He has served on the Department for 49 years, rising from Fire Fighter to Captain, as

## *Dedication*

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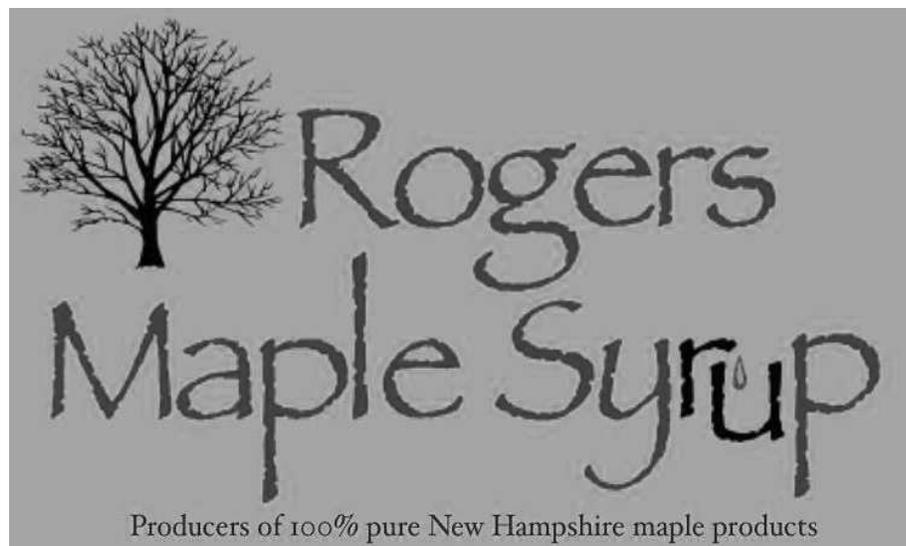
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well as being a Deputy Forest Fire Warden. He is well respected in the department as someone you can always count on, whether fighting a house fire or a forest fire.

Phil has donated countless hours to the Town including: working on the addition to the Fire Station; helping at the Fireman's raffle at the Fall Foliage Festival; helping at turkey raffles at the Fire Station; and in later years working on the Bagley soccer field.

Phil and his friends started boiling maple sap behind his house on an old stove in his younger years. He now has a large sugaring operation with family and friends. It encompasses miles of tubing, acres of land and a vacuum pump to reduce the number of hours previously spent collecting sap, by creating a system which runs directly into the sugar house. Phil produced over 1,100 gallons of pure maple syrup in 2016 and donates to events held at the United Church of Warner, Fall Foliage Festival, and the turkey raffle put on by the Warner Fire Fighters Association.

Phil is the kind of man who is always ready to help to make Warner a better community to live in. The Town is grateful for Phil's years of unselfish generosity with his time and efforts.



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## *Elected Town Officers*

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<b>Selectmen</b>	<b>Term</b>
Allan N. Brown	2017
Clyde Carson - <i>Chairman</i>	2018
John Dabuliewicz	2019
<b>Moderator</b>	
Raymond Martin	2018
<b>Assistant Moderator</b>	
Vacant	
<b>Town Treasurer</b>	
Mike Ayotte	2018
<b>Deputy Town Treasurer</b> (Appointed)	
Ray Martin	2018
<b>Town Clerk</b>	
Judith A. Newman - Rogers	2018
<b>Deputy Town Clerk</b> (Appointed)	
Michele Courser	2018
<b>Tax Collector</b>	
Marianne Howlett	2018
<b>Deputy Tax Collector</b> (Appointed)	
Janice Cutting	2017
<b>Supervisors of the Checklist</b>	
Martha Thoits	2018
Christine J. Perkins	2020
Kathy Carson	2022
<b>Almoners of the Foster &amp; Currier Funds</b>	
Penny Sue Courser	2017
Jere Henley	2017
Darryl Parker	2019
<b>Trustees of Trust Funds</b>	
David Karrick, Jr.	2017
John Warner - <i>Treasurer</i>	2018
Dale Trombley	2019
<b>Warner Representatives to Kearsarge Regional School District</b>	
Joe Mendola	2017
Ken Bartholomew	2018

## *Elected Town Officers*

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	<b>Term</b>
<b>Warner Representatives to the KRSD</b>	
<b>Municipal Budget Committee</b>	
James Hand	2017
Peter Anderson	2019
 <b>Chandler Reservation Committee</b>	
Jonathan France	2017
Gerald B. Courser	2018
Allison P. Mock	2019
Stephen Hall	2020
 <b>Budget Committee</b>	
Kimberley Brown Edelmann - <i>Vice Chair</i>	2017
John Leavitt	2017
Alfred Hanson	2018
Martha Mical	2018
Jonathan K. Lord	2019
Michael Cutting - <i>Chairman</i>	2019
Pete Newman - <i>Warner Village Water District Representative</i>	
Allan N. Brown - <i>Selectmen's Representative</i>	
 <b>Trustees of Town Cemeteries</b>	
Kenneth W. Cogswell	2017
Gerald B. Courser - <i>Chair</i>	2018
Penny Sue Courser	2018
Donald H. Wheeler	2019
Mary E. Cogswell	2019
 <b>Trustees of the Pillsbury Free Library</b>	
Sara McNeil - <i>Chair</i>	2017
Jeanne Hand - <i>Treasurer</i>	2017
Judy Pellettieri	2017
Richard Knapik, Sr. (resigned)	2018
Michael Simon - <i>Vice Chair</i>	2018
Timothy Murphy - <i>Corresponding Secretary</i>	2018
Michelle Allen - <i>Recording Secretary</i>	2019
Kathy Carson	2019
Anatasia Glavas	2019
 <b>Alternate Library Trustees</b>	
Joe Eisenberg (resigned)	2019
 <b>Librarian (Appointed)</b>	
Nancy Ladd	

## *Appointed Town Officers*

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	<b>Term</b>
<b>Health Officer</b>	
Paul DiGeronimo (resigned)	2019
Peter Wyman	2019
 <b>Overseer of Public Welfare</b>	
Jim Bingham - <i>Town Administrator</i>	
 <b>Planning Board</b>	
Ben Frost - <i>Chair</i>	2017
Barbara Annis - <i>Vice Chair</i>	2017
Ken Milender	2018
Clyde Carson - <i>Selectmen's Alternate</i>	2018
Aedan Sherman	2018
Donald Hall	2019
Benjamin Inman	2019
John Dabuliewicz - <i>Selectmen's Ex-officio</i>	2019
<b>Planning Board Alternates</b>	
Darryl Parker	2017
James Gaffney	2018
Peter Anderson	2019
 <b>Zoning Board of Adjustment</b>	
Janice Loz - <i>Chair</i>	2017
Gordon Nolen	2017
Andrew Bodnarik	2017
Rick Davies - <i>Vice Chair</i>	2018
Howard Kirchner	2019
<b>Zoning Board of Adjustment Alternates</b>	
Corey Giroux	2017
Barbara Marty	2018
Beverly Howe	2019
 <b>Conservation Commission</b>	
Nancy Martin - <i>Chair</i>	2017
Michael Amaral	2018
Russ St. Pierre	2018
Doug Allen	2019
Scott Warren	2019
Alice Chamberlain	2019
<b>Conservation Commission Alternates</b>	
Phil Stockwell	2017
Rob Nute	2019

## *Appointed Town Officers*

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	<b>Term</b>
<b>Highway Safety Commission (By Position)</b>	
Tim Allen - Director of Public Works	
Edward P. Raymond - Fire Chief	
William E. Chandler - Police Chief	
Edward F. Mical - Emergency Management	
Clyde Carson – Selectmen’s Representative	
<b>Emergency Management</b>	
Edward F. Mical - Director	
<b>Building Inspector</b>	
Tom Baye	2017
<b>Compliance Officer</b>	
Peter Wyman	2018
<b>Central NH Regional Planning Representatives</b>	
Jonathan Lord	2017
Ken Milender	2019
<b>Central NH Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)</b>	
Barbara Annis	No Term
Aedan Sherman	No Term
<b>Concord Regional Solid Waste Representative</b>	
David E. Hartman	2018
Varick Proper	2018
<b>Parks and Recreation</b>	
Ronnie Bryson	2017
Tim Blagden	2017
Griffin Manning	2018
Mark Allen	2018
Corey Heiligmann	2019
Apryl Blood	2019
Allan N. Brown - <i>Selectmen’s Representative</i>	

## *Appointed Town Officers*

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### **Chief Forest Fire Warden**

Paul Raymond (P) 456-2345

### **Deputy Wardens**

Charles "Pooch" Baker (P) 456-3837

Stephen W. Hall (P) 456-3357

Daniel Fisher (P) 456-3208

Jonathan France (P) 456-2883

Sean Toomey (P) 456-3020

Ed Raymond (P) 456-3770

Ronald Piroso (P) 456-3900

Philip Rogers

Kalvin Rogers

**(P) - Able to write burn permits**

## *Warner State Representatives*

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### **District 07**

Clyde Carson

33 Kearsarge Mt. Road

Warner, NH 03278

### **District 25**

David Karrick, Jr.

PO Box 328

Warner, NH 03278

## *Board of Selectmen Special Committees*

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### **Energy Committee**

Sue Hemingway

Peter Ladd

David Swords

Darren Blood

Bill Balsam

Clyde Carson - *Selectmen's Representative*

### **Odd Fellows Building Committee**

Jonathan Lord

James McLaughlin

Kyle Whitehead

Amy S. Dixon

Edward F. Mical

### **Road Committee**

Clyde Carson - *Selectman*

Alfred Hanson - *Budget Committee Representative*

Aedan Sherman - *Planning Board Representative*

Tim Allen - *Director of Public Works*

### **Fire Station Building Review Committee**

Allan N. Brown - *Selectman*

Ed Raymond - *Fire Chief*

Peter Wyman - *Fire Fighter*

David Hartman - *Citizen at Large*

Peter Ladd - *Energy Committee*

Anthony Mento - *Resident - Architectural Designer*

Kimberley Brown Edelman - *Budget Committee*

Janice Loz - *Zoning Board of Adjustment*

Howard Kirchner - *Citizen at Large*

### **Economic Development Advisory Committee**

Charlie Albano - *Chair*

Peter Anderson

Ginger Marsh

Darryl Parker

Aedan Sherman

Christine Frost

Joe Mendola

Michael Amaral

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

*2016 - 2017 Operating Budget*

<b>Item</b>	<b>Approp.</b>	<b>Spent</b>	<b>BOS</b>	<b>BC</b>	<b>Diff.</b>	<b>%</b>
	<b>2016</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2017</b>		
Selectmen's Off.	137,850	138,414	150,101	150,101	12,251	9%
Elections	3,620	4,880	1,800	1,800	(1,820)	-50%
Finance	56,277	53,216	57,355	57,355	1,078	2%
Tax Collector	47,695	46,386	48,591	48,591	896	2%
Treasurer	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	0	0%
Town Clerk	82,409	80,974	83,948	83,948	1,539	2%
T T Funds	550	550	550	550	0	0%
Assessing	42,090	40,506	45,267	45,267	3,177	8%
Legal Expenses	12,000	6,569	12,000	12,000	0	0%
Benefits	185,038	157,232	177,084	177,084	(7,954)	-4%
Land Use	25,120	21,620	25,890	25,890	770	3%
Town Hall	18,660	23,995	18,800	18,800	140	1%
Old Grade Sch.	17,690	18,081	16,801	16,801	(889)	-5%
Cemeteries	19,200	29,662	27,700	27,700	8,500	44%
Insurance	109,800	75,856	89,092	89,092	(20,708)	-19%
Cen. NH Plan.	3,149	3,154	3,157	3,157	8	0%
Comm. Action	16,700	16,650	17,500	17,500	800	5%
Donations	1	0	1	1	0	0%
Police Dept.	491,089	468,815	514,524	514,524	23,435	5%
Ambulance	71,000	70,985	71,000	71,000	0	0%
Fire Dept.	174,543	166,792	167,508	167,508	(7,035)	-4%
Building	4,950	3,364	4,800	4,800	(150)	-3%
Emerg. Mang.	6,061	4,367	7,951	7,951	1,890	31%
Highway Dept.	960,320	921,859	986,113	986,113	25,793	3%
Street Lighting	10,250	10,728	10,700	10,700	450	4%
Transfer Station	225,840	213,328	224,632	224,632	(1,208)	-1%
Health/Welfare	22,413	25,374	22,913	22,913	500	2%
Parks & Rec.	28,170	28,551	30,580	30,580	2,410	9%
Library	186,938	186,938	188,500	188,500	1,562	1%
Memorial Day	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	0	0%
Con. Comm.	870	623	872	872	2	0%
Bond Principal	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Bond Interest	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Pumper Prin.	23,313	23,307	24,142	24,142	829	4%
Pumper Int.	8,943	8,949	8,114	8,114	(829)	-9%
Hopkinton Land	27,000	23,806	26,000	26,000	(1,000)	-4%
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,026,049</b>	<b>2,882,031</b>	<b>3,070,486</b>	<b>3,070,486</b>	<b>44,437</b>	<b>1%</b>

*2016 - 2017 Capital Budget*

Capital Reserve Funds	2017		2017 BOS			To be Raised from
	Art. #	Approp. 2016	To CRF 2016	Proposed Amt.	BC Recom'd	Taxation
Property Reval.	7	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Highway Equip.	14	110,000	110,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Highway Rd.	13	10,000	10,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Bridges	15	25,000	25,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
New Fire Station**	10	100,000	100,000	182,000	182,000	100,000
Fire Dept. Equip.	12	25,000	25,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Fire Dept. Vehicle	11	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000
Odd Fellows Bldg.		25,000	25,000	-	-	-
Town Hall Improv.		40,000	40,000	-	-	-
Town Records	17	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Transfer Station**	19	30,000	30,000	10,000	10,000	-
Police Vehicle	9	15,000	15,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Library Building	20	5,000	5,000	24,000	24,000	24,000
DPW Facility	16	-	-	25,000	25,000	25,000
Sidewalk Repair /TAP Grant Match	21	-	-	5,000	5,000	5,000
<b>CRF Sub Total</b>		<b>\$510,000</b>	<b>\$510,000</b>	<b>\$621,000</b>	<b>\$621,000</b>	<b>\$ 529,000</b>
Village Parking (FFF)	22			20,000	20,000	20,000
Grader Lease Pymt.		42,750	42,750	-	-	-
Conservation Fund		5,000	5,000	-	-	-
Solar Array	5	-	-	10,000	10,000	10,000
Expendable Health Trust	8	-	-	7,000	7,000	7,000
<b>Total Raised Through Taxation</b>		<b>\$557,750</b>	<b>\$557,750</b>	<b>\$658,000</b>	<b>\$658,000</b>	<b>\$ 566,000</b>

**Amounts Drawn from Fund Balance \*\***

	2017		2016 Spent	BOS	B.C.
	Art. #	2016 Approp.			
Exit 9		85,755	85,755	-	-
Contingency Fund	18	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
New Fire Station	10			82,000	82,000
Transfer Sta.	19			10,000	10,000
<b>General Fund</b>		<b>\$ 95,755</b>	<b>\$ 95,755</b>	<b>\$102,000</b>	<b>\$102,000</b>

2017 TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET: \$566,000 + \$102,000 = \$668,000

*2016 - 2017 Sources of Revenue*

<u>Revenue Source</u>	<b>2016 Estimated</b>	<b>2016 Actual</b>	<b>2017 Estimated</b>
<b><u>Taxes</u></b>			
Land Use Change Tax	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Timber Tax (Yield Tax)	20,000	40,719	33,000
Payment in Lieu of Taxes	17,000	17,632	17,500
Excavation Tax	94	246	246
Other Taxes	-	-	-
Interest & Penalties on Del. Taxes	72,000	57,772	55,000
<b><u>Licenses, Permits &amp; Fees</u></b>			
Business Licenses & Permits	100	50	100
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	420,000	495,119	460,000
Building Permits	6,000	6,748	5,200
Other Licenses Permits & Fees	13,000	13,705	13,000
<b><u>From State &amp; Federal</u></b>			
Federal Grants/Reimb. *	-	138,179	-
Shared Revenue	-	-	-
Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution	135,000	148,406	135,000
Highway Block Grant	121,000	129,722	128,000
Water Pollution Grant	-	-	-
Housing & Community Dev.	-	-	-
State & Federal Forest Land Reimb.	2,500	2,143	2,143
Flood Control Reimbursement	-	-	-
Other Grants (Used Oil, etc.)**	115,000	295,834	-
<b><u>Charges for Services</u></b>			
Income from Departments	62,000	144,162	121,000
<b><u>Miscellaneous Revenues</u></b>			
Sale of Municipal Property	2,000	2,184	400
Interest on Investments	70	4,757	3,000
Other ***	43,300	96,840	50,000
Trust Fund Income	-	23	20
NHDRA recognized fr. Town Warrant	-	45,000	-
Amount Voted from Fund Balance	10,000	95,755	102,000
Less Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes	-	100,000	-
<b><u>Totals</u></b>	<b>\$ 1,039,064</b>	<b>\$ 1,834,996</b>	<b>\$ 1,125,609</b>

\*Firefighters Assistance Grant - \$138,179

\*\* Hazard Assessment (32 Waterloo St.) \$41,200, Bartlett Loop bridge - \$250,619, Emergency Management Program Grant - \$4,015

\*\*\*Eversource Weatherization - \$4,575 rebate, Donation - \$44,000

## *Selectmen's and Town Administrator's Report*

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**ROUNDAABOUT:** After years of meetings, public input and planning, the Board of Selectmen received NHDOT approval for final plans to construct the Roundabout. The Board hired F. W. Merrill Construction, Inc., for construction and McFarland Johnson Engineering, Inc., to conduct construction oversight. The Board of Selectmen completed and finalized financing for the Roundabout near Exit 9. A summary of the design and construction costs follows:

### **Roundabout @ Exit 9**

<u>Design Stage</u>	<u>Construction</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>	<u>State Share</u>	<u>Town Share</u>
\$170,165	\$871,333	\$1,041,498	\$694,679	\$346,819

**ODD FELLOWS BUILDING:** After a secondary assessment was conducted to define the extent of contamination of the soil in the basement as well as for lead contaminated materials in the building structure, the Board approved the hiring of ATC Engineering as the environmental engineer and ENPRO Environmental Services to excavate the soil. The project was completed in October and was under budget by 42%. Final cost of extraction and engineering came to \$14,919.34.

**VILLAGE PARKING:** The Selectmen reached an agreement with the Kearsarge Regional School District to transfer land from the Simonds School property to the Town to plan for expanded public parking for the Town Hall in the future. Land was conveyed to the Town Hall property for employee parking. Another lot line adjustment was made to provide additional parking spaces behind the Odd Fellows Building. In a separate development, DRM Properties, LLC, has donated to the Town a permanent easement on a portion of its property, which sits adjacent to the Simonds School parking lot. This easement will provide much needed future public parking in the village as well as a site for Fall Foliage Festival activities such as the woodsman competition and the oxen pull event.

**NEW FIRE STATION:** The Selectmen purchased property at 148 West Main St. from Gordon Smith in September and proceeded to have the property surveyed. The Fire Station Building Review Committee (FSBRC), chaired by Selectman Brown, met extensively with Fire Dept. Officers to identify the space and function requirements for a new fire station. The Committee toured recently built fire stations in neighboring towns to review building layouts and designs, and interviewed fire chiefs to gain insights from their experience. In October, the Board of Selectmen hired the architect firm of Sheerr McCrystal Palson (SMP) upon the recommendation of the FSBRC to develop a 'Conceptual' of the new fire station and establish a price estimate for Phase II, final design and engineering for construction. The Board hired North Branch Construction as Construction Manager in November. North Branch, working with SMP and FSBRC will establish final construction cost in late 2017.

## *Selectmen and Town Administrator's Report (cont.)*

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**MUNICIPAL SOLAR ARRAY:** The Board is working on a new financial package for a municipal solar panel array for presentation at town meeting. The cost of construction has been reduced from last year's estimate and financial proposals being provided are very favorable. The array is expected to be "cash positive" in the first year of operation.

**TOWN BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS:** A new Handicap Lift that meets the new building ADA and fire codes was installed in the Town Hall this past May. This lift is easier to operate and provides new safety features for the resident who needs handicap access to the town offices. The Administration office also applied for a reimbursement grant with Eversource to install high efficiency LED lighting to the Town Hall, the Police Station, and DPW Highway Garage. These three buildings were cited in an energy analysis to be the largest users of electricity. The conversion to LED lighting was completed in December. The Town was reimbursed for 50% of the cost of lighting and installation making the Town's share \$18,834.34. Based on the use analysis, the annual electric costs in these buildings is expected to be reduced by about 30 to 40%. The payback period for this energy-saving program is 4.3 years.

The Board of Selectmen wishes to acknowledge the hard work of all the town employees who continue to provide the residents with quality services in a fiscally prudent manner. The Board also deeply appreciates all the members of the town committees and boards who dedicate so much of their time and effort to insure that the Town of Warner continues to maintain a special quality of life, while promoting responsible growth and development in our town.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Clyde Carson - Chairman  
Allan N. Brown  
John Dabuliewicz*

*Jim Bingham  
Town Administrator*



*Construction of the Roundabout in 2016*



*Construction of the Roundabout in 2016*



## *Audit Report*

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### **TOWN OF WARNER, NEW HAMPSHIRE MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2015**

The following is a discussion and analysis of the financial activities of the Town of Warner, New Hampshire for the year ending December 31, 2015. Readers are encouraged to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the Town's financial statements.

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

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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

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

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

#### **Government-Wide Financial Statements**

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

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

The **Statement of Activities** presents information showing how the Town's net position changed during the most recent year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for

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some items that will not result in cash flows until future periods (such as uncollected taxes and interest on long-term obligations).

### **Fund Financial Statements**

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

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

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

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

### **Notes to the Basic Financial Statements**

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

### **Required Supplementary Information**

The basic financial statements and accompanying notes are followed by a section of required supplementary information. This section includes a budgetary comparison schedule for the Town's major governmental fund and includes a reconciliation between the reported activity of the revenues, expenditures and transfers for budgetary purposes (Schedule 1) and the activity as presented in the governmental fund financial statements (Exhibit D). The Town's only major governmental fund for 2015 with an adopted budget is the General Fund.

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This section also includes a schedule of changes in the Town's proportionate share of the net pension liability and a schedule of Town contributions to the New Hampshire Retirement System.

**Other Supplementary Information**

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

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

**Statement of Net Position**

The table below provides a summary of the Town's net position for the year ended December 31, 2015 compared with 2014. Please note that the 2014 figures have been restated to include the effects on the Town's net position for the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 during the current year.

Net position of the Town of Warner as of December 31, 2015 and 2014 are as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Current assets	\$4,194,369	\$ 4,672,819
Capital assets	<u>7,719,931</u>	<u>7,096,338</u>
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>11,914,300</u>	<u>11,769,157</u>
Deferred outflows of resources	<u>49,419</u>	<u>49,640</u>
Long-term liabilities	1,563,963	1,549,207
Other liabilities	<u>1,449,207</u>	<u>1,829,397</u>
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>3,013,170</u>	<u>3,378,604</u>
Deferred inflows of resources	<u>73,364</u>	<u>158,355</u>
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	7,453,809	6,807,704
Restricted	365,922	340,116
Unrestricted	<u>1,057,454</u>	<u>1,134,018</u>
<b>Total net position</b>	<u>\$8,877,185</u>	<u>\$ 8,281,838</u>

The largest portion of the Town's net position reflects its investment in capital assets such as land, buildings, and equipment less any related outstanding debt used to acquire those assets. Although the Town's investment in its capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves generally cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

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An additional portion of the Town's net position represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. For the Town of Warner, those restrictions include those related to non-expendable trust funds and the unexpended balance of restricted donations.

### **Statement of Activities**

The Town's net position increased by \$595,347 during the current year. Total revenues of \$3,786,775 exceeded expenses of \$3,191,428.

Changes in net position for the years ending December 31, 2015 and 2014 are as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Revenues		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 98,337	\$ 138,932
Operating grants and contribution	136,087	111,650
Capital grants and contribution	244,022	-
General revenues:		
Property and other taxes	2,619,718	2,690,570
Licenses and permits	490,389	457,599
Grants and contributions	140,341	139,229
Interest and investment earnings	13,613	13,956
Miscellaneous	43,868	85,428
Contributions to permanent fund	400	800
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>3,786,775</b>	<b>3,638,164</b>
Expenses		
General government	880,080	832,575
Public safety	841,687	824,729
Highways and streets	973,037	1,186,015
Sanitation	223,201	207,872
Health and welfare	16,305	22,552
Culture and recreation	240,759	243,969
Conservation	6,616	20,530
Interest and fiscal charges	9,743	12,540
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>3,191,428</b>	<b>3,350,782</b>
Change in net position	595,347	287,382
Net position, beginning of year	8,281,838	9,228,477
Restatement due to GASB #68		(1,265,908)
Restatement - other		31,887
Net position, end of year	<b>\$ 8,877,185</b>	<b>\$ 8,281,838</b>

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Property and other taxes brought in \$2,619,718 in revenues. Licenses and permits generated \$490,389 in revenues. Other revenues consisted of charges for services, grants, contributions, interest and investment earnings, and miscellaneous revenues. Total revenues recognized during the year ended December 31, 2015 increased from the previous year by \$148,611 or 4.08%.

The Town's expenses cover a range of services. The largest expenses were for highways and streets (30.49%), general government (27.58%), and public safety (26.37%) which accounted for 84.44% of total expenses. Total expenses recognized during the year ended December 31, 2015 decreased from the previous year by \$159,354 or 4.76%.

### **FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE TOWN'S FUNDS**

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

#### **Governmental Funds**

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

#### ***General Fund***

The General Fund is the main operating fund of the Town. At the end of the current fiscal year, the General Fund had a total fund balance of \$2,071,826. A detail of the fund balance components at year end are detailed on page 23 of the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements.

The General Fund balance decreased \$8,987 from December 31, 2014. A decrease in fund balance was anticipated as the Town applied \$263,000 of its unassigned fund balance to reduce taxes.

#### ***Nonmajor Governmental Funds***

The total fund balance of \$359,653 in the nonmajor governmental funds is designated for the purposes of the individually established fund. The largest portion of this total represents the balance in the Chandler Reservation Fund (\$133,110 or 37.01%), Conservation Commission Fund (\$110,694 or 30.78%), and the Permanent Funds (\$98,888 or 27.50%).

The total fund balance in the other governmental funds increased \$15,920 from December 31, 2014.

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### **GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

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

Actual revenues and other financing sources on the budgetary basis were lower than the budgeted amount by \$588,814 or 14.41%. The construction of the Roundabout on Route 103 near Exit 9 on I-89 was delayed during the year ending December 31, 2015 and was re-appropriated at the 2016 annual Town meeting. The estimated revenue figures included funding for this project in the amount of \$535,245.

The Town under expended its budget by \$823,609 or 18.93%. As previously referenced, the appropriation for the Roundabout project of \$735,000 was not expended during 2015. Demonstrating fiscal restraint, town officials were able to manage the town's business under budget. The key areas of savings resulted within public safety and highways and streets.

### **CAPITAL ASSET AND LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS**

#### **Capital Assets**

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

The Town's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of December 31, 2015 amounts to \$12,159,054. Accumulated depreciation amounts to \$4,439,123, leaving a net book value of \$7,719,931. This investment in capital assets includes equipment and real property. See Note 5 in the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements for a summary of all capital assets.

#### **Long-Term Obligations**

At December 31, 2015, the Town of Warner had total outstanding general obligation debt of \$266,122. During the year, debt service payments were made in accordance with the scheduled payments.

During the year ended December 31, 2015, the Town adopted and implemented GASB Statement #68 – Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. The Town reports a net pension liability. This unfunded liability as of December 31, 2015 is \$1,216,754.

Additional information on the Town's long-term obligations can be found in Notes 7, 8 and 9 of the Notes to the Basic Financial Statements.

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### **ECONOMIC CONDITIONS**

The Town is in stable financial condition with little long-term debt. The Board of Selectmen and Budget Committee have continued to cooperate to keep the town portion of the tax rate as level as possible while not impacting services. This has been done through a combination of responsible budgeting and utilizing surplus money to apply toward the tax rate. The Capital Improvement Plan Committee continues to update the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) and forward that information to both the Selectmen and Budget Committee so that anticipated capital needs can be included in the budgetary process. The Selectmen's Office continues to investigate grant opportunities to assist the Selectmen in addressing critical infrastructure and other needed facilities improvements. This effort has yielded over \$286,520 in grant funds and State reimbursements for the town in 2015.

The Board of Selectmen received authorization from the voters to purchase the parcel of land that was presented at the 2016 Town Meeting for a new fire station. The Fire Station Building Committee continues to review the future building needs of the Fire Department. This new building will require the Town to consider a long-term bond to finance the construction. With the construction of a solar array for the Warner Village Water District, the Board of Selectmen continues its efforts to develop a solar panel array project for the Town as a means of containing energy costs. The Board of Selectmen has made it a priority to address the matter of the Odd Fellows Building, a designated Brownsfield Site by NH Department of Environmental Services. Hazard Assessments have been completed and the first hazard mitigation project is scheduled to be completed in 2016.

The Board of Selectmen has formed an Economic Development Advisory Committee to explore viable economic development in town in order to strengthen the tax base and create local jobs. The Selectmen have been actively working with the NH State Liquor Commission to facilitate the construction of a State Liquor Store, which will likely be constructed and open in 2017. The reauthorization of funds for the construction of a traffic roundabout at the last Town Meeting has resulted in hiring a contractor to build the long waited Roundabout to improving safe traffic flow in the intervale area. Completion of this project is projected for the autumn of 2016.

### **REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

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

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

*For Year Ended December 31, 2016*

*Town of Warner  
New Hampshire*



**Note:** The financial reports for 2016 had not been audited at the time the Town Report went to press. This information is subject to change, errors and omissions. The financial reports on pages 27 through 58 have been created by the Bookkeeper, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Almoners of the Foster & Currier Funds, Selectmen's Secretary, and the Trustees of the Trust Funds.

*Balance Sheet General Fund Assets*  
As of December 31, 2016

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**CASH:**

Sugar River - Operating acct	\$	2,021,158	
			\$ 2,021,158

**FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF TREASURER:**

Beautification Fund	\$	4,960	
Conservation Commission		137,422	
Chandler Reservation Accounts		146,356	
Hazardous Materials Account		3,908	
North Road Town Forest		8,437	
Planning Board Fees Account		273	
Timber Bond Account		539	
			\$ 301,895

**TOTAL CASH:** **\$ 2,323,053**

**OTHER ASSETS:**

Uncollected Taxes	\$	465,888	
Unredeemed Taxes		146,729	
Allowance for uncollectable taxes		(75,000)	
Accounts Receivable		2,880	
Due from Capital Reserve Funds		49,561	
Prepaid Expenses		0	
			\$ 590,058

**TOTAL OTHER ASSETS:** **\$ 590,058**

**TOTAL ASSETS:** **\$ 2,913,111**

**Note:** The financial reports for 2016 had not been audited at the time the Town Report went to press. This information is subject to change, errors and omissions.

## *Balance Sheet General Fund Liabilities*

*As of December 31, 2016*

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**Accounts owed by the Town:**

## Current Liabilities:

Accounts Payable	\$	3,185	
Accrued Payroll		56,009	
School District-Tax Payable		<u>1,624,344</u>	
		\$	1,683,538

**FUNDS IN CUSTODY OF TREASURER:**

Beautification Fund	\$	4,960	
Conservation Commission		137,422	
Chandler Reservation Account		146,356	
Hazardous Materials Account		3,908	
North Road Town Forest		8,437	
Planning Board Fees Account		273	
Timber Bond Account		<u>539</u>	
		\$	301,895

**TOTAL LIABILITIES** **\$ 1,985,433**

Fund Balance - December 31, 2016	\$	1,038,293	
Surplus voted for Contingency Fund		10,000	
Amount voted from surplus		<u>185,755</u>	
Undesignated Fund Balance		842,538	
Reserve for encumbrance		20,295	
Adjusting Journal Entries		<u>(58,247)</u>	
Adjusted Balance		804,586	
Current Year Revenue	\$	9,330,541	
Current Year Expenditure		<b>(9,233,189)</b>	
*2016 Year Encumbrances to be spent in 2017		<u>25,740</u>	
Net Revenue, Expenditure & Encumbrances		123,092	

Total All Fund Balance Accounts **\$ 927,678**

Total Liabilities and Fund Balance **\$ 2,913,111**

\*2016 Encumbrances: HWY Paving Sealant Waldron Hill & various other roads = \$24,175 and Emergency Management Laptops - Software - \$1,565

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*Schedule of Long Term Indebtedness*  
As of December 31, 2016

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Notes Outstanding:	
Lake Sunapee Bank – Fire Truck	\$ 242,815
Caterpillar Financial-HWY Grader	237,450
<b>TOTAL NOTES OUTSTANDING</b>	<b>\$ 480,265</b>
<b>TOTAL LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS</b>	<b>\$ 480,265</b>

**Debt Outstanding,  
Issued and Retired**

Notes Outstanding during fiscal year – Fire Truck payments	266,121
Notes Issued during fiscal year-Hwy grader	280,200
Notes Retired during fiscal year – Fire Truck payments	23,307
Notes Retired during fiscal year – Grader payment	42,749
<b>Total Notes Outstanding at end of year</b>	<b>\$ 480,265</b>

**Note:** The financial reports for 2016 had not been audited at the time the Town Report went to press. This information is subject to change, errors and omissions.

## Summary of Inventory Valuation

As of December 31, 2016

### Town of Warner

<u>Value of Land Only</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Current Use	23,568.23	1,588,000	
Preservation Easement	.24	4,205	
Residential	3,529.74	77,620,060	
Commercial	<u>347.85</u>	<u>6,653,210</u>	
<b>Total of Taxable Land</b>	27,444.06		<b>\$85,865,475</b>
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Land		9,951,010	
<u>Value of Buildings Only</u>			
Residential		160,396,810	
Manufactured Housing		1,879,670	
Commercial		28,645,750	
Preservation Easement		<u>46,500</u>	
<b>Total of Taxable Buildings</b>			<b>190,968,730</b>
Tax Exempt & Non-Taxable Buildings		16,004,190	
<b>Public Utilities (Electric)</b>			<b>7,276,200</b>
Total Value before Exemptions			284,110,405
Total Dollar Amount of Exemptions			<u>-1,362,370</u>
<b>Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate is computed</b>			<b>282,748,035</b>

### Warner Village Water District

<u>Value of Land Only</u>	<u>Assessed Value</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Current Use	3,390	
Residential	11,758,540	
Commercial	<u>4,012,390</u>	
<b>Total of Taxable Land</b>		<b>15,774,320</b>
<u>Value of Buildings Only</u>		
Residential	22,795,370	
Manufactured Housing	23,650.	
Commercial	<u>17,022,640</u>	
<b>Total of Taxable Buildings</b>		<b>39,841,660</b>
<b>Public Utilities</b>		<b>1,592,560</b>
Total Valuation Before Exemptions		57,208,540
Total Dollar amount of Exemptions		<u>-227,200</u>
<b>Net Valuation on which the Tax Rate is computed</b>		<b>\$56,981,340</b>

*Schedule of Town Property*  
*as of December 31, 2016*

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Town Hall Land & Building (Map 31 Lot 55)	\$756,310
-Furniture & Equipment	355,000
Covered Bridges	
-Dalton	285,000
-Waterloo	245,000
Library Land & Building (Map 31 Lot 1)	909,560
-Furniture & Equipment	677,000
Police Facility Land & Building (Map 14 Lot 6)	447,260
-Vehicles, Furniture & Equipment	385,110
Fire Department Land & Buildings (Map 34 Lot 15, Map 30 Lot 2, Map 31 Lot 29)	594,150
-Vehicles & Equipment	1,140,410
Transfer Station Buildings (Map 17 Lot 3-6)	118,600
-Transfer Station Equipment	159,440
Highway Department Land & Buildings (Map 17 Lot 3-6)	653,240
-Equipment	2,185,000
-Materials & Supplies	326,000
Gravel Pit (Map 3 Lot 23)	55,150
Parks, Commons & Playgrounds (Map 10 Lot 38 & Map 7 Lot 9)	300,780
Buildings & Equipment	138,700
Silver Lake Reservoir & Lands & Building	111,290
Chandler Reservation & Ski Tow Area (Map 9 Lots 9, 12, 23, 24, 25 & Map 13 Lot 6)	1,235,810
Old Graded School (Map 32 Lot 30)	854,090
-Furniture & Equipment	202,130
Odd Fellows Building (Map 31 Lot 52)	164,330
<b>Total:</b>	<b><u>\$12,229,360</u></b>

## *Schedule of Town Property*

*as of December 31, 2016*

*All Lands & Buildings Acquired Through Tax Collector's Deeds or Gifts*

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Map 1 Lot 3	Wiggin Trace	\$75,200
Map 2 Lot 5	Off Dummer Rd	24,400
Map 3 Lot 16-1	Off Route 103	12,800
Map 3 Lot 16-2	Off Route 103	10,000
Map 6 Lot 31(part of)	East Joppa Rd.	100
Map 6 Lot 35(part of)	East Joppa Rd.	100
Map 7 Lot 2	Interstate 89	1,080
Map 7 Lot 44	Off Tom's Pond Ln.	720
Map 7 Lot 45	Off Route 103	1,440
Map 7 Lot 46	Off Tom's Pond Ln.	820
Map 7 Lot 47	Off Interstate 89	1,290
Map 7 Lot 48	Off Interstate 89	1,520
Map 7 Lot 49	Off Interstate 89	700
Map 7 Lot 50	Warner River	820
Map 7 Lot 53	Off Interstate 89	29,190
Map 11 Lot 15	Off Schoodac Rd.	35,640
Map 12 Lot 36	Horne St.	120,750
Map 13 Lot 3-8	Bean Rd.	61,250
Map 14 Lot 17	North Rd.	54,240
Map 14 Lot 46-1	Bartlett Loop	67,650
Map 16 Lot 4	Route 103 West	18,130
Map 16 Lot 46	Melvin Mills	6,300
Map 16 Lot 55	Route 103 West	3,480
Map 17 Lot 34	Route 103	22,660
Map 18 Lot 2	Off Interstate 89	216,200
Map 18 Lot 5	North Rd.	53,650
Map 18 Lot 6	North Rd.	81,200
Map 18 Lot 9	North Rd.	39,500
Map 18 Lot 12	North Rd.	64,500
Map 18 Lot 15	North Rd.	326,830
Map 18 Lot 16	North Rd.	59,850
Map 18 Lot 24	Kearsarge Mtn. Rd.	00
Map 19 Lot 37	Coughtown Rd.	33,910
Map 21 Lot 9	Gore Rd.	64,650
Map 22 Lot 14	Kearsarge Mt. Rd.	1,580
Map 22 Lot 16	Kearsarge Mt. Rd.	1,490
Map 22 Lot 17	Kearsarge Mt. Rd.	1,350
Map 28 Lot 2	Tom's Pond Lane	7,080
Map 28 Lot 4-1	Tom's Pond Lane	11,800
Map 29 Lot 1	East Main St.	68,070
Map 30 Lot 18	Denny Hill Rd.	1,830

*Schedule of Town Property (cont.)*

*as of December 31, 2016*

*All Lands & Buildings Acquired Through Tax Collector's Deeds or Gifts*

Map 31 Lot 31	Kearsarge Mtn. Rd.	65,300
Map 31 Lot 63-3	Pumpkin Hill Rd.	25,600
Map 32 Lot 14	Cemetery Ln.	3,200
Map 32 Lot 15	Cemetery Rd.	17,500
Map 32 Lot 17	Pine Grove Cemetery	00
Map 32 Lot 18	Cemetery Ln.	45,800
Map 34 Lot 24	Chemical Ln.	<u>32,400</u>
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$1,773,570</b>

**Town of Warner Tax Rate**

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b><u>Municipal Rate Per Thousand</u></b>	\$9.29	\$9.24	\$8.87
County rate per thousand	2.58	2.78	2.70
Local school rate per thousand	12.72	12.46	13.52
State school rate per thousand	<u>2.27</u>	<u>2.16</u>	<u>2.25</u>
<b>Total Rate Per Thousand</b>	<b>\$26.86</b>	<b>\$26.64</b>	<b>\$27.34</b>
 <b>Precinct Tax Per Thousand</b>	 <b>\$1.81</b>	 <b>\$ 1.74</b>	 <b>\$1.88</b>



## *Town Clerk's Report*

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2016 was filled with a political energy unlike any other year in which a new President was to be chosen! 30 Republicans and 28 Democrats paid \$1000 each to have their name listed as a choice on the ballot for President of the United States. The reduction of candidates began in February with NH's traditional First in the Nation Presidential Primary which prevailed without challenge from another state. Heeding the call to "Get Out & Vote" record numbers turned out state wide to do just that! Voter turnout in Warner was 62% at the February Presidential Primary with 147 new voters registering on election day. For the November State General Election, Warner voter turnout was 78% and 174 registered to vote that day. Results for NH Towns, Cities, Counties, Districts and State totals are available for all 2016 elections on the Secretary of State website - [sos.nh.gov](http://sos.nh.gov).

Only one election is scheduled to be held in 2017 - the Annual Town Election. On Tuesday, March 14 polls will be open for voting from 8 AM to 7 PM at the Warner Town Hall. Absentee Ballots are available at the Town Clerk's Office and request forms are available at [sos.nh.gov](http://sos.nh.gov) and [warner.nh.us](http://warner.nh.us) for those who are unable to vote in person on Election Day. Residents may register to vote by providing residency and a photo ID on Election Day or up to 10 days prior to the election at the Town Clerk's Office or by going to a meeting of the Checklist Supervisors. The Annual Town Meeting, also held at Warner Town Hall, will take place the evening after the election, Wednesday, March 15, at 7 PM.

The Warner website - [warner.nh.us](http://warner.nh.us) - is a resource that lists the services the Town Clerk's Office provides and the documents needed to complete various transactions. You may also contact the office by phone, 456-2298 ext 5 or 6 or email - [townclerk@warner.nh.us](mailto:townclerk@warner.nh.us) - for information or verification on a process or paperwork or with other questions.

General registration information to remember: Vehicle renewals and/or inspections may be completed up to 4 months early with a current registration, transferring plates to receive credit is possible when the first person on the registration will also be first on the "new" vehicle registration, license plates and registration should be kept when trading or selling a vehicle, the registration is necessary to bring when transferring plates to a "new" vehicle, Temporary plates may be obtained in Concord, a photo ID/driver license is required when conducting any motor vehicle transaction, motor vehicle information is not public information therefore the registration/proof of ownership is required when conducting a vehicle transaction, all vehicles with a model year 2000 and newer need a title when sold or purchased or when registering and owners change, one of the following is required when registering a 1999 model year and older vehicle 1) copy or original title 2) previous registration or copy 3) Verification of Vehicle Number form, renewals may be completed on the Town website and paid for using credit/debit card or ACH, registrations and stickers are mailed after processing so please allow time to receive them before month end, the cost to renew a vehicle or an estimate to register a "new" vehicle can be calculated on the Town website with the registration information or the "new" vehicle identification number.

## *Town Clerk's Report (cont.)*

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The Town Clerk's Office also processes boat registrations, off road vehicles and snowmobile registrations as well as snowmobile club memberships, fishing and hunting licenses, marriage licenses, certified copies of a birth, marriage, divorce or death (copies may also be requested on line at the town website) and Notary Public service is available.

Per State law all dogs 4 months and older must be licensed before April 30 every year. You may renew on line if rabies vaccination is current. Penalties, fines or a court summons may result if licensing is late or ignored.

The Department of Safety, Motor Vehicles website - [nh.gov/safety/divisions/dmv/index.htm](http://nh.gov/safety/divisions/dmv/index.htm) - offers printable forms for a variety of situations and information on driver licensing, vehicle registrations, titles and other topics that may be helpful.

Michele and I look forward to seeing Warner's residents throughout the year. We are happy to assist you or find someone who can. Do not hesitate to call the Town Clerk's Office when you need information. May 2017 be a successful and happy year!!

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	\$ 488,597
Boat Permit Fees	924
Off Highway Road Vehicle Permit Fees	5,598
Dog Licenses	4,736
Dog License Penalties	408
Dog Fines	2,250
Miscellaneous License, Permits, Fees	44
Marriage Applications	850
Vital Record Copies	965
Uniform Commercial Code	510
Miscellaneous Revenue	173
Hunting and Fishing Licenses	<u>1,718</u>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$506,646</b>
Uncollected 2016 NSF	(126)

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

*Tax Collector's Report*  
Year Ending December 31, 2016

	Levy for Year of this Report		Prior Years
<b>Debits</b>			
<b>Uncollected Taxes</b>			
<b>Beginning of Year</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014...</b>
Property Taxes	\$	\$ 379,240	\$ 31,098
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes		(0)	
Excavation Tax			
Interest			291
Penalties			
Other Charges			25
Property Tax Credits	(9,968)		
<b>Taxes Committed This Year</b>			
Property Taxes	7,743,560		
Land Use Change Tax	14,773	6,807	
Yield Taxes	10,207	37,715	
Excavation Tax		245	
Other Charges	35		
<b>Overpayment</b>			
Property Taxes	3,396	1,197	
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes			
Refund Interest/Penalties			
<b>Interest</b>			
Collected Interest	5,969	19,117	
Penalties			
Costs Before Lien		2,214	19
<b>Total Debits</b>	<b>\$ 7,767,972</b>	<b>\$ 446,535</b>	<b>\$ 31,433</b>

*Tax Collector's Report (cont.)*  
Year Ending December 31, 2016

Credits	Levy for Year of this Report		Prior Years
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:	2016	2015	2014...
Property Taxes	\$ 7,297,407	\$ 248,912	\$ 4,031
Land Use Change Tax	14,773	6,807	
Yield Taxes	10,100	30,619	
Interest	5,969	19,116	291
Penalties			
Excavation Tax		246	
Conversion to Lien		133,334	
Cost not Liened		347	19
Other Charges	35		25
<b>Abatements Made:</b>			
Property Taxes	7,733	58	
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes	107		
Excavation Tax			
Interest		1	
Inventory Penalties			
Other Charges			
<b>Current Levy Deeded</b>	1,534		
<b>Uncollected Taxes End of Year</b>			
Property Taxes	431,726		27,067
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes		7,095	
Excavation Tax			
Penalties & Fees			
Property Tax Credit			
Balance	(1,412)		
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>\$ 7,767,972</b>	<b>\$ 446,535</b>	<b>\$ 31,433</b>

*Tax Collector's Report (cont.)*  
*Year Ending December 31, 2016*

<b>Debits</b>	<b>Last Year's Levy</b>		<b>Prior Years</b>
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013...</b>
<b>Unredeemed Liens</b>			
Balance at Beginning of Year	\$	\$ 100,121	\$ 83,717
Liens Executed During Year	142,275		
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	3,330	9,241	21,497
<b>Total Debits</b>	<b>145,605</b>	<b>109,362</b>	<b>105,214</b>
<b>Credits Remittance to Treasurer:</b>			
Redemption	58,392	43,862	68,586
Interest & Costs Collected After Lien Execution	3,330	9,241	19,825
Abatements of Unredeemed Taxes	400		4,098
Liens Deeded to Municipality	1,699	2,086	1,932
Balance End of Year	81,784	54,173	10,773
<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>\$ 145,605</b>	<b>\$ 109,362</b>	<b>\$ 105,214</b>
Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15a)? Yes			

*Tax Collector's Report (cont.)*

*List of Unredeemed Taxes as of December 31, 2016*

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>Prior</b>
Akins, Wayne H. & Autumn L.	\$ 69	\$ 69	\$ -
Alwyn, Kyllan Cristant	1,363	1,157	
Anderson, Harry Jr. & Wanda	4,633	1,120	
Azmy, Gamil & Lois A.		1,802	
Baldyga, Jerome	585		
Bowers, Walter Jr. & Debbie	3,798	3,796	
Brayshaw, Virginia J.	4,918		
Ebode, Brenda	763		
Ericksen, Joseph M.	219		
Estabrooks, James D.	81	74	
Fairbanks, Daniel & Brittany Plaisted	754	735	
Farewell, Belinda & John E.	2,102	2,145	
Flanders Estate, Edith	1,884	1,297	
Flanders, David & Virginia			1,327
Gerrard, Stephen & Rita	3,428		3,012
Goff, Reggie & Annie	1,162		
Hill, Linda & Ed	805		
Hodgman, Mary	3,691	4,135	
Holbrook, Marie E.	611	599	1,417
Howe Revocable Trust, Ann Lawless	246	350	
Jones, Richard	1,519	490	
Keeler, Robert E. Jr. & Scott L.	5,337	4,729	
Kimball, Alex E.	2,207	1,080	
Klossner, Michael A.	3,837		
Lamprey, Chester & Angela M.	2,390	2,264	1,342
Latvian Lutheran Church Camp for Various buildings of others	50		
Letendre, Larry	2,478	2,760	
Locke, Brent H. & Brenda L. Meattley	2,177	786	
Lubien, Geoffrey & Maryann	2,652		
Mahoney, Everett S.	2,348		
Mayo, Christopher & Ellen	3,408	3,478	3,675
Mingarelli, Ronald & Rosanne	4,586	4,707	
Place, Estate of George & Betty	2,431	2,370	
Simon, Michael	4,072	4,457	
St. Clair, Alice May & Connie L. Barton	1,869		
Suchomski, Matthew P.	3,829	4,293	
Whiting, Dorothy H. & Fairfield Jr.	2,400	2,166	
Whiting, Dorothy H.	2,430	2,681	
Whittemore, Julie	652	633	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 81,784</b>	<b>\$ 54,173</b>	<b>\$10,773</b>

*Report of the Town Treasurer*  
*Statement of Income*  
*January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016*

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On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2016 \$ 1,890,010

**Board of Selectmen**

Payment in Lieu of Taxes	\$ 17,632
Business Licenses, Permits, and Filing Fees	50
Building Permits	6,748
Shared Revenue	-
Meals & Room Tax	148,406
Highway Block Grant	129,722
Housing & Comm devlp-CDBG Grants	-
State and Federal Forest Land Reimb.	2,143
Other Grants (EM, Hwy, TS, CC, Cops...)	295,834
Income from Departments	144,162
Sale of Town Property	2,184
Interest on Investments	4,781
Rent of Town Property	27,850
Misc. Revenue	11,897
Franchise Fee	13,093
Exit 9 Donation	44,000

**TOTAL RECEIPTS - BOARD OF SELECTMEN** **\$ 848,502**

**Town Clerk**

Motor Vehicle, Boat & OHRV Permit Fees	\$ 495,119
Other Agencies, Permits, and Fees	11,480
Miscellaneous Revenue (including NSF Fees)	173

**TOTAL RECEIPTS - TOWN CLERK** **\$ 506,772**

*Report of the Town Treasurer (cont.)*  
*Special Accounts and Funds*  
*January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016*

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**Tax Collector**

2016 Property Tax	\$ 7,307,375
2016 Property Tax Interest	5,969
Property Tax - Prior Years	374,441
Property Tax Interest - Prior Years	19,405
2016 Land Use Change Tax	14,773
2016 Land Use Change Tax Interest	-
Land Use Change Tax - Prior Years	6,807
Land Use Change Tax Interest	-
2016 Timber Tax	10,100
Timber Tax - Prior Years	30,619
Timber Tax Interest	2
Property Tax Redemption	170,840
Property Tax Redemption Interest	32,396
Gravel Pit Excavation Tax	246
Gravel Pit Excavation Tax Interest	-
Fees, Tax Lien	2,234
NSF Fees	60
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS - TAX COLLECTOR</b>	<b>\$ 7,975,266</b>
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>\$ 9,330,540</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 9,233,189</b>
<b>Deposited to Conservation Commission</b>	<b>\$ 137,422</b>
<b>BANK STATEMENT BALANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016</b>	<b>\$ 2,021,158</b>
Distributed as follows: Sugar River Bank	<b>\$ 2,021,158</b>

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*Report of the Town Treasurer (cont.)*

*Special Accounts and Funds*

*January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016*

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**BEAUTIFICATION FUND**

On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2016	\$	3,065
Interest Earned		4
Deposits		2,000
Expenses		109
<b>Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2016</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,960</b>

**CHANDLER RESERVATION ACCOUNT**

On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2016	\$	122,629
Interest Earned		654
Deposits		-
Expenses		-
<b>Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2016</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>123,283</b>

**CHANDLER RESERVATION SAVINGS ACCOUNT**

On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2016	\$	10,541
Interest Earned		11
Deposits		12,976
Expenses		455
<b>Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2016</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>23,073</b>

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2016	\$	110,694
Interest Earned		148
Deposits		26,580
Expenses		-
<b>Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2016</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>137,422</b>

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ACCOUNT**

On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2016	\$	4,029
Interest Earned		4
Expenses		125
<b>Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2016</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,908</b>

*Report of the Town Treasurer (cont.)*

*Special Accounts and Funds*

*January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016*

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**NORTH ROAD TOWN FOREST**

On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2016	\$	9,020
Deposits		5
Interest Earned		-
Expenses		588
<b>Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2016</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>8,437</b>

**PLANNING BOARD FEES ACCOUNT**

On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2016	\$	23
Interest Earned		0
Deposits		250
Expenses		-
<b>Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2016</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>273</b>

**TIMBER BOND ACCOUNTS**

On Deposit Sugar River Bank, January 1, 2016	\$	10,517
Interest Earned		1
Deposits		949
Withdrawals		10,927
<b>Balance on Deposit, December 31, 2016</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>539</b>

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Mike Ayotte*  
*Treasurer*

## *Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report*

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### **SELECTMEN'S OFFICE**

Selectmen Salary	\$	9,299	
Telephone		5,225	
Computer Expenses		3,850	
Town Report Printing		3,609	
Newsletter		1,633	
Dues & Subscriptions		2,478	
Office Supplies		3,450	
Postage		2,419	
Mileage		308	
Books & Periodicals		749	
Expense of Town Officers		590	
Meetings/Seminars		515	
Advertising		461	
Town Administrator Salary		68,591	
Temp Services		1,725	
Secretary Salary		33,512	
Total		<u>33,512</u>	\$ 138,414

### **ELECTIONS**

Moderator/Asst. Moderator	\$	300	
Supervisors of the Checklist Salary		3,055	
Postage & Advertising		400	
Supplies		151	
Meals		974	
Total		<u>974</u>	\$ 4,880

### **FINANCE**

Finance Office Salary	\$	32,927	
Accounting Software		3,397	
Auditor Expense		16,892	
Total		<u>16,892</u>	\$ 53,216

Encumbrances are not included in this Detailed Statement of Expenditures

*Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)*

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**TAX COLLECTOR**

Tax Collector Salary	\$	38,480	
Deputy Tax Collector Salary		1,250	
Computer Expenses		1,995	
Tax Lien Research		973	
Printing		658	
Office Supplies		502	
Postage & PO Box Rent		2,458	
Meetings/Seminars/Mileage		70	
Total		<u>          </u>	\$ 46,386

**TREASURER**

Treasurer Salary	\$	4,700	
Deputy Treasurer Salary		300	
Total		<u>          </u>	\$ 5,000

**TOWN CLERK'S EXPENSES**

Town Clerk Salary	\$	51,563	
Deputy Town Clerk Salary		24,782	
Computer Expenses		3,402	
Membership Dues		20	
Supplies		435	
Postage		552	
Mileage		56	
Books & Periodicals		9	
Meetings/Seminars		80	
Conference & Education		75	
Total		<u>          </u>	\$ 80,974

**TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS**

Trustees Salary	\$	550	
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*Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)*

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**ASSESSING**

Salary	\$	28,083	
Outside Services		7,660	
Town Forester		219	
Registry of Deeds		67	
Tax Maps		285	
Computer Expenses		3,075	
Office Supplies		920	
Postage		17	
Meetings/Seminars		20	
Mileage		160	
Total			\$ 40,506

**LEGAL EXPENSES**

\$ 6,569

**BENEFITS**

Social Security Costs *	\$	53,589	
Medicare Costs *		15,501	
Health Insurance		65,331	
Life Insurance		276	
STD Insurance		755	
NH Retirement		21,780	
Total			\$ 157,232

\* Does not include Library Social Security and Medicare costs

**LAND USE OFFICE**

Clerk Salary	\$	19,416	
Professional Services		162	
Legal Expense		97	
Registry of Deeds		122	
Supplies		134	
Tax Map		420	
Meetings/Seminars		715	
Advertising		554	
Total			\$ 21,620

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*Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)*

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**GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS**

Custodian Salary	\$	2,053	
TH - Electricity		3,864	
TH - Heating Fuel		4,345	
TH - Water/Sewer		1,484	
TH - Fire Alarm System		605	
TH - Supplies		1,361	
TH - Maintenance/Repairs		9,940	
TH - Mileage		30	
TH Equipment		313	
OGS - Electricity		4,109	
OGS - Heating Fuel		6,199	
OGS - Water/Sewer		971	
OGS - Sprinkler/Fire Alarm		1,611	
OGS - Maintenance/Repairs		5,027	
OGS - Propane		164	
Total		164	
	Total		\$ 42,076

**CEMETERIES**

Town Cemeteries	\$	12,190	
Pine Grove Cemetery*		10,602	
American Legion		1,800	
Cemetery Monument Repairs		5,070	
Total		5,070	
	Total		\$ 29,662

\*Pine Grove Cemetery includes 2015 refund to the Trustees

**INSURANCES**

Property Liability Insurance	\$	41,782	
Unemployment Insurance		3,248	
Worker's Comp Insurance		30,826	
Total		30,826	
	Total		\$ 75,856

**OUTSIDE SERVICES**

Central NH Region Planning Comm.	\$	3,154	
Contingency Fund		-	
CAP		16,650	
Total		16,650	
	Total		\$ 19,804

Encumbrances are not included in this Detailed Statement of Expenditures

*Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)*

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**POLICE/ANIMAL CONTROL**

Salary - Dept. Head	\$	75,192	
Wages – Full time		172,180	
Wages – Part time		31,935	
Building Custodian Wages		2,021	
Benefits - Health Insurance		46,842	
Benefits - Life Insurance		235	
Benefits - STD Insurance		714	
Benefits - NH Retirement		59,941	
Telephone		4,704	
Contract Services		15,525	
Electricity		4,275	
Heat		1,676	
Water / Sewer		988	
Uniforms		2,873	
Office Supplies		1,822	
Equipment Maintenance & Purchase		950	
Vehicle Fuel		5,855	
Cruiser Expense		4,228	
Safety Equipment		3,569	
Training		203	
Special Detail		9,056	
Building Maintenance		24,031	
Total		<u>468,815</u>	\$ 468,815

Encumbrances are not included in this Detailed Statement of Expenditures

*Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)*

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<b>AMBULANCE</b>		\$	70,985
<b>FIRE</b>			
Salaries	\$	8,948	
Fire Wages		51,899	
Telephone		1,489	
Electricity		2,487	
Heat		2,040	
Water / Sewer		581	
Equipment Maintenance		3,665	
Medical Supplies		4,321	
Supplies		900	
Vehicle Fuel		1,887	
Truck Maintenance		12,253	
New/Replaced Equipment		34,396	
Wages In House Training		5,441	
Fire Expenses		25	
Fire Prevention		454	
Training		4,203	
Dispatch Service		24,112	
Radio Maintenance		4,050	
Building Maintenance		1,169	
Forest Fires		2,472	
	Total	<u>                    </u>	\$ 166,792

Encumbrances are not included in this Detailed Statement of Expenditures

*Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)*

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**BUILDING INSPECTION**

Building Inspection Salary	\$	2,010	
Books, Forms, Supplies		171	
Mileage Reimbursement		570	
Compliance Officer Salary		605	
Compliance Officer Mileage		8	
Total		8	\$ 3,364

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

Salary	\$	1,800	
Telephone		627	
Supplies		1,048	
Equipment Maintenance		26	
Travel & Education		556	
Exercises		124	
LEPC Administration		186	
Total		186	\$ 4,367

Encumbrances are not included in this Detailed Statement of Expenditures

**Vehicles Purchased in 2016**

2016 Dodge Charger for a total cost of \$31,544, the funding for this vehicle came from the Purchase of Police Vehicles Capital Reserve Fund.

**Equipment Leased in 2016**

Caterpillar 120M2AWD Motor Grader Lease 7 year lease agreement. Total cost of equipment \$280,200.

*Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)*

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**HIGHWAY**

Salary - Dept. Head	\$	61,859	
Salary - Full Time		211,354	
Salary-Over Time		20,313	
Salary - Part Time		26,626	
Hydrant Maintenance		4,903	
Paving		99,699	
Block Grant Outside Rental		19,557	
Bridge Maintenance		756	
Line Striping		4,200	
Block Grant Gravel		47,818	
Benefits - Health Insurance		103,275	
Benefits - Life Insurance		391	
Benefits - STD Insurance		1,192	
Benefits - NH Retirement		37,739	
Telephone		1,664	
Outside Repairs		40,969	
Electricity		4,173	
Heat		3,580	
Silver Lake Dam		400	
Fire/Intrusion Alarm		324	
Uniforms		7,499	
Supplies		49,389	
Shop Repairs		10,906	
Gas/Diesel		43,901	
Parts		46,282	
Guardrails		181	
Calcium Chloride		3,908	
Culverts		5,448	
New Equipment		11,897	
Signs		1,335	
Safety Programs		1,322	
Block Grant - Winter Sand		5,000	
Salt		43,999	
Total		43,999	\$ 921,859

**STREET LIGHTING** \$ 10,728

Encumbrances are not included in this Detailed Statement of Expenditures

*Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)*

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**SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL - TRANSFER STATION**

Salary - Full Time	\$	45,229	
Salary - Part Time		39,070	
Telephone		352	
Disposal Costs		5,563	
Electricity		4,439	
Heat		1,308	
Building Maintenance		6,960	
Uniforms		95	
Office & Shop Supplies		1,617	
Equipment Maint./Repairs		7,632	
Vehicle Fuel		578	
Improvements & Grounds Maint.		3,210	
Meetings/Seminars		501	
Safety Equipment/Programs		1,315	
Transportation		17,295	
Concord Regional		63,109	
Demo Tipping Fees		6,527	
NE Resource Recovery		198	
Recycling Costs		1,079	
Hazardous Waste Disposal		7,251	
Total		<u>7,251</u>	\$ 213,328

Encumbrances are not included in this Detailed Statement of Expenditures



*Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)*

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**HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

Salary	\$	1,250		
Expenses		<u>70</u>		
Total			\$	1,320

**LAKE SUNAPEE REGION VNA** \$ 7,913

**WELFARE DEPARTMENT**

Administration	\$	30		
Direct Assistance		<u>16,111</u>		
Total			\$	16,141

**PARKS & RECREATION**

Maintenance Salary	\$	12,596		
Mileage		815		
Electricity		2,126		
Sanitation		2,540		
Improvement Ice Rink		411		
Improvements & Maintenance Supplies		9,879		
Beach		<u>184</u>		
Total			\$	28,551

Encumbrances are not included in this Detailed Statement of Expenditures



*Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)*

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**PILLSBURY FREE LIBRARY**

Payroll	\$	115,980	
Total Insurance Benefits		15,836	
Retirement		5,442	
Social Security & Medicare		8,873	
Allotment Balance		40,807	
Total		40,807	\$ 186,938

**MEMORIAL DAY** \$ 1,500

**CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

Dues	\$	296	
Training and Seminars		195	
Official Notices		132	
Total		623	\$ 623

**FIRE TRUCK LOAN PRINCIPAL** \$ 23,307

**FIRE TRUCK LOAN INTEREST** \$ 8,949

**HOPKINTON LAND-FILL CLOSURE** \$ 23,806

Encumbrances are not included in this Detailed Statement of Expenditures

**CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS**

Hwy Rd Construction Projects CRF	\$	10,000	
Hwy Equipment CRF		110,000	
Property Revaluation CRF		25,000	
Bridges CRF		25,000	
Contingency Fund		10,000	
Fire/Rescue Vehicles CRF		90,000	
Preservation of Town Records CRF		10,000	
Fire Equipment CRF		25,000	
New Fire Station Site/Design CRF		100,000	
Library Bldg CRF		5,000	
Odd Fellows Building CRF-Hazard Mitigation		25,000	
Transfer Station Equipment		30,000	
TH Bldg Improvements		40,000	
Police Vehicle CRF		15,000	
Total		520,000	\$ 520,000

*Bookkeeper's Expenditure Report (cont.)*

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<b>OTHER FUNDS/ITEMS/TAXES</b>	
C.C. - Land Acquisition Fund	\$ 5,000
State DES Funded Project	44,120
Exit 9 Roundabout	453,647
Hwy Grader Lease Deposit	42,749
KRSD - SAU #65 - School Tax	4,107,072
Merrimack County Tax	762,526
Warner Village Water Precinct Tax	107,125
Town Taxes Paid (Tax, Interest, Sale & Notification Costs)	142,275
State of NH (Vital Record Fees, Marriage Licenses, etc.)	2,684
NH Fish and Game	5,439
Bartlett Loop Project- 2015	26,911
CDBG Project	1,170
Tax Abatements	3,586
<b>Refunds:</b>	
Property Tax Over payment refunds	4,593
MV Refunds	7
Insurance Refunds	116
<b>2015 Encumbrances Spent in 2016:</b>	
Winter Sand	15,000
Rental Gravel Process	21,900
Hwy-New Generator	28,400
Waldron Hill Winter Binder	42,075
EM-LEOP	1,750
Police Dept-Ceiling	4,050
Assessing-Record Preservation	816
Record Preservation	8,147
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 9,233,189</b>

2016 Encumbrances to be spent in 2017 are listed in the Balance Sheet Fund Liabilities Report

## *Nancy Sibley Wilkins Trust Fund*

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Beginning Value as of January 1, 2016	\$141,907
Contributions	0.00
Net Investment Return	9,871
Foundation Fees	(1,495)
Distributions/Grants	(6,764)
Ending Value as of December 31, 2016	143,519

The Nancy Sibley Wilkins – Town of Warner Trust Fund was established under the will of Nancy Sibley Wilkins to benefit the Townspeople of Warner through causes found worthy by a board of four Trustees. The fund endowment (\$100,000.00) is managed by the NH Charitable Foundation. Distributions of income are by grants made from time to time as determined by the Trustees in response to grant and loan applications. In making grants, the Trustees will give priority consideration to projects undertaken by local non-profit organizations or public agencies for which grants will:

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

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

**2016 Grant Distribution:**

New Hampshire Telephone Museum	\$2,500
Warner Historical Society	1,500
Main Street Warner Literacy Committee	250
United Church of Warner	3,000
United Church of Warner Refund	(486)

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Ray Martin, Trustee*

*John Dabuliewicz, Advisory Committee Member from the Board of Selectmen*

*Ralph Elwell- Advisory Committee Member from the Historical Society*

*Carol Piroso- Advisory Committee Member*

*from the United Church of Warner*

*George Smith - Advisory Committee Member and Member at Large*

*Report of the Almoners  
of the Foster & Currier Funds  
Year Ending December 31, 2016*

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In 2016 the Almoners met and discussed with the Town of Warner Overseer of the Public Welfare (currently Town Administrator, Jim Bingham) and the Community Action Program, in order to improve the processes and understanding of the distribution of Foster and Currier funds income to the 'worthy poor' as instructed in the wills of Mr. Foster and Mr. Currier. Through these discussions it was determined that having three elected officials charged with overseeing the limited interest-income derived from these Funds (averaging less-than \$250. annually over the past five years) seemed redundant to the work that the Overseer of the Public Welfare is already doing, per the R.S.A. requirements.

The Almoners presented this information to the Select Board, who then asked the Almoners to obtain further information from the Charitable Trusts Division office of the NH Attorney General, and that office confirmed that the duties of the Almoners could be performed by the appointed Overseer of the Public Welfare.

At this writing the Town is reviewing the Attorney General's recommendation and will make a decision on these responsibilities, as well as the future role, if any, of the three elected Almoner positions. Elimination of the Almoner positions is possible and could result in a more streamlined process and efficient distribution of Fund incomes, while continuing to adhere to the instructions for same set forth in the original wills and gifts of both John Foster and Walter Currier.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jere Henley - Treasurer  
Penny Sue Courser  
Darryl Parker*

*Report of the Almoners  
of the Foster & Currier Funds (cont.)  
Year Ending December 31, 2016*

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**John Foster Fund**

Balance on hand, January 1, 2016	\$ 0.00	
Received from the Trustees of Trust Funds, Warner	172.48	
Paid out during 2016:		
Assistance granted	-172.48	
Pillsbury Free Library	<u>0.00</u>	
Balance in Fund, December 31, 2016		\$0.00

**Walter S. Currier Fund**

Balance on hand January 1, 2016	\$11,970.20	
Received from the Trustees of Trust Funds, Warner	45.34	
Received from checking account interest	.73	
Received from CD interest	35.16	
Paid out for assistance during 2016	<u>-1,061.32</u>	
Balance in Fund, December 31, 2016		\$10,990.11

**Summary of Accounts & Balances, December 31, 2016**

Sugar River Bank (checking account)	\$ 969.57	
Sugar River Bank (Certificate of Deposit)	<u>10,020.54</u>	
		\$10,990.11

John Foster Fund Balance	\$ 0.00	
Walter S. Currier Fund Balance	<u>10,990.11</u>	
		\$10,990.11

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jere Henley - Treasurer*

*Report of Trustees of Trust Funds*

*Capital Reserves*

*As of December 31, 2016*

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<b>Capital Reserve Funds</b>	<b>Beginning Balance as of 01/01/16</b>	<b>Income &amp; Additions</b>	<b>Paid Out</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
New Waterloo Cemetery	\$ 11,532	\$ 17	\$ -	\$ 11,549
Highway Equip.	127,146	110,070	(44,850)	192,366
Fire Dept. Vehicle	213,117	90,449	-	303,566
Fire Dept. Equipment	31,811	25,256	(16,919)	40,148
Property Revaluation	34,558	25,355	(8,565)	51,348
Fire Dept. Bldg./Reno.	25,025	7	(18,000)	7,032
Highway Road Const.	81,625	24,408	-	106,033
Bridges	9,590	85,349	-	94,939
Town Hall Improv.	27,063	40,148	(29,247)	37,964
Exit 9 Improvements	87,890	768	(57,157)	31,501
Police Vehicle	37,153	15,217	(31,544)	20,826
Dry Hydrants	16,552	202	-	16,754
Transfer Station Equip.	22,627	30,377	(48,000)	5,004
Odd Fellows Bldg.	7,067	25,017	(9,969)	22,115
Contingency Fund	10,003	10,007	(10,006)	10,004
New Fire Station	165,668	101,229	(216,536)	50,361
Library Building	33,430	5,043	(32,218)	6,255
DPW Facility	5,000	11	-	5,011
Record Preservation	-	10,000	-	10,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 946,857</b>	<b>\$ 598,930</b>	<b>\$ (523,011)</b>	<b>\$ 1,022,776</b>

	Principal				Income			
	Bngg. Bal. 1/1/16	New Funds	Gain/ Loss	End Bal. 12/31/16	Bngg. Bal. 1/1/16	Income	Paid Out & Fees	End Bal. 12/31/16
<b>Town Cemeteries</b>								
Coal Hearth Cemetery	\$ 727	\$ -	\$ 3	\$ 730	\$ 4	\$ 21	\$ 21	\$ 4
Schoodac Cemetery	6,611	-	27	6,638	36	195	192	38
Davisville Cemetery	10,174	-	41	10,215	55	299	296	58
Lower Warner Cemetery	2,063	-	8	2,071	11	61	60	12
Waterloo Cemetery	1,565	(505)	6	1,066	8	46	46	9
Tory Hill Cemetery	948	-	4	952	5	28	28	5
Melvin Mills Cemetery	224	-	1	225	1	7	7	1
New Waterloo Cemetery	23,796	1,449	97	25,342	127	707	696	138
<b>TOTAL OF ALL TOWN CEMETERIES</b>	<b>\$ 46,108</b>	<b>\$ 944</b>	<b>\$ 187</b>	<b>\$ 47,239</b>	<b>\$ 247</b>	<b>\$ 1,364</b>	<b>\$ 1,346</b>	<b>\$ 265</b>
<b>Pine Grove Cemetery</b>								
Pine Grove Cemetery	47,174	-	191	47,365	2,177	1,445	3,340	282
Buswell, Augusta C	1,118	-	5	1,122	466	46	10	502
Clough, Zora C	2,236	-	9	2,245	931	93	20	1,003
Ferrin, Adelaide E	319	-	1	320	133	13	3	143
Hayes, Frances Redding	2,236	-	9	2,245	931	93	20	1,003
Redington, Ida M Trust	-	-	-	-	7,074	315	69	7,320
<b>TOTAL OF PINE GROVE CEMETERY *</b>	<b>\$ 53,083</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 215</b>	<b>\$ 53,297</b>	<b>\$ 11,712</b>	<b>\$ 2,005</b>	<b>\$ 3,462</b>	<b>\$ 10,253</b>
<b>Almoners of the Foster Currier Funds</b>								
Currier, Walter S.	3,913	-	16	3,929	(21)	114	70	22
Foster, John	5,716	-	23	5,739	73	169	210	33
<b>TOTAL OF FOSTER CURRIER FUND</b>	<b>\$ 9,629</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 39</b>	<b>\$ 9,668</b>	<b>\$ 52</b>	<b>\$ 283</b>	<b>\$ 280</b>	<b>\$ 55</b>

*Report of Trustees of Trust Funds (cont.)*  
As of December 31, 2016

	Principal				Income			
	Bgng. Bal. 1/1/16	New Funds	Gain/ Loss	End Bal. 12/31/16	Bgng. Bal. 1/1/16	Income	Paid Out & Fees	End Bal. 12/31/16
<b>Library Funds</b>								
Andrews, Alice G	\$ 1,118	\$ -	\$ 5	\$ 1,122	\$ 6	\$ 33	\$ 33	\$ 6
Cheney, Perry H	1,118	-	5	1,122	6	33	33	6
Foster, John	3,354	-	14	3,367	18	99	98	19
Miner, Walter P	559	-	2	561	3	16	16	3
Mitchell, Lawrence	224	-	1	224	1	7	7	1
Subtotal	6,373	-	27	6,396	34	188	187	35
1/2 of Runels Fund income	7,213	-	310	7,523	40	806	761	85
<b>TOTAL OF LIBRARY FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 13,586</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 337</b>	<b>\$ 13,919</b>	<b>\$ 74</b>	<b>\$ 994</b>	<b>\$ 948</b>	<b>\$ 120</b>
<b>KRH School Funds</b>								
Ancient School Fund	685	-	3	688	4	20	20	4
Clough, Zora	3,354	-	14	3,367	18	99	98	19
Flanders, Phoebe	956	-	4	960	5	28	28	5
Thompson, Arthur	8,691	-	35	8,726	47	256	253	50
Subtotal	13,686	-	56	13,741	74	403	399	78
1/2 of Runels Fund income	7,213	-	310	7,523	40	806	761	85
<b>TOTAL OF KRHS FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 20,899</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 366</b>	<b>\$ 21,264</b>	<b>\$ 114</b>	<b>\$ 1,209</b>	<b>\$ 1,160</b>	<b>\$ 163</b>
<b>Simonds School Funds</b>								
Bartlett Trust Fund	41,768	-	169	41,938	27,935	2,040	1,324	28,652
Davis, William D.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL OF SIMONDS SCHOOL FUND</b>	<b>\$ 41,768</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 169</b>	<b>\$ 41,938</b>	<b>\$ 27,935</b>	<b>\$ 2,040</b>	<b>\$ 1,324</b>	<b>\$ 28,652</b>
<b>Scholarship Funds</b>								
Warner Grange	4,472	-	18	4,490	3,509	234	51	3,691
Willis, Edward S	28,977	-	117	29,094	162	853	987	28
<b>TOTAL OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 33,449</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 135</b>	<b>\$ 33,584</b>	<b>\$ 3,671</b>	<b>\$ 1,087</b>	<b>\$ 1,038</b>	<b>\$ 3,719</b>

*Report of Trustees of Trust Funds (cont.)*  
As of December 31, 2016

	Principal				Income			
	Bgng. Bal. 1/1/16	New Funds	Gain/ Loss	End Bal. 12/31/16	Bgng. Bal. 1/1/16	Income	Paid Out & Fees	End Bal. 12/31/16
<b>Miscellaneous Funds</b>								
Cheney, Perry H	\$ 1,118	\$ -	\$ 5	\$ 1,122	\$ 4,837	\$ 174	\$ 38	\$ 4,973
Neely, Robert S	11	-	-	11	389	12	3	399
Parsonage Fund	415	-	2	416	2	12	12	2
Public Land Fund	1,028	-	4	1,032	6	30	30	6
Tewksbury & Trumbull	671	-	3	673	3,395	119	26	3,488
Redington, Ida M Trust	-	-	-	-	53	198	44	207
<b>TOTAL OF MISCELLANEOUS FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 3,243</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 14</b>	<b>\$ 3,254</b>	<b>\$ 8,682</b>	<b>\$ 545</b>	<b>\$ 153</b>	<b>\$ 9,075</b>
<b>Runels Fund</b>	<b>38,429</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>38,585</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>221</b>
Cap Gains & Income from Fidelity	11,404	-	-	11,404	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL OF RUNELS FUND</b>	<b>\$ 49,833</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 156</b>	<b>\$ 49,989</b>	<b>\$ 212</b>	<b>\$ 257</b>	<b>\$ 249</b>	<b>\$ 221</b>
<b>Warner General Funds Trust</b>								
New Waterloo Cem Maint	6,310	56	26	6,392	7,865	417	92	8,190
Davisville Cemetery Maint	1,281	-	5	1,286	1,346	77	17	1,406
<b>TOTAL OF GENERAL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 7,591</b>	<b>\$ 56</b>	<b>\$ 31</b>	<b>\$ 7,678</b>	<b>\$ 9,211</b>	<b>\$ 494</b>	<b>\$ 109</b>	<b>\$ 9,596</b>
Expendable Forest Fire Trust	-			-	47,085	24	-	47,109
Cemetery Expendable Trust	5,000			5,000	844	71	-	915
Radio Expendable Trust	10,000			10,000	(8,921)	13	-	(8,908)
Employee Health Insurance Expendable T	15,000			15,000	(5,821)	112	-	(5,709)
William D. Davis Savings	5,000			5,000	5,969	63	923	5,109
Rosa Valpey Memorial	14,467	15		14,482	(9,591)	10	1,489	(11,070)
<b>TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDABLE TRUST</b>	<b>\$ 49,467</b>	<b>\$ 15</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 49,482</b>	<b>\$ 29,565</b>	<b>\$ 293</b>	<b>\$ 2,412</b>	<b>\$ 27,446</b>
<b>TOTAL OF ALL TRUST FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 328,656</b>	<b>\$ 1,015</b>	<b>\$ 1,649</b>	<b>\$ 331,312</b>	<b>\$ 91,475</b>	<b>\$ 10,571</b>	<b>\$ 12,481</b>	<b>\$ 89,565</b>
<b>TOTAL OF ALL COMMON FUNDS</b>	<b>\$ 267,785</b>	<b>\$ 1,000</b>	<b>\$ 1,649</b>	<b>\$ 270,426</b>	<b>\$ 61,910</b>	<b>\$ 10,278</b>	<b>\$ 10,069</b>	<b>\$ 62,119</b>
*\$3,201.89 Due from Town of Warner as of 12/31/16.								
				Note: Discrepancies may exist due to rounding.				

Report of Trustees of Trust Funds (cont.)  
As of December 31, 2016

# TOWN WARRANT

For the Town of Warner  
The State of New Hampshire

*To the inhabitants of the Town of Warner, in the County of Merrimack,  
in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Warner Town Hall in said Warner, NH on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 beginning at eight o'clock in the morning, and ending at seven o'clock in the evening to elect officers of the Town by official ballot and to act upon the following subjects:

## Article 1

To choose Town officers for the ensuing year.

The following Zoning Ordinance Amendments are the condensed versions of the full zoning changes that is being proposed and recommended by the Warner Planning Board. The complete version is available at the Land Use Office, the Selectmen's Office, The Town website, and will be available at the polls on Town Election Day, March 14, 2017.

## Article 2

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

Amend Article XVII Section F Time Limit, by removing the word "vesting" as a condition for a Variance or Special Exception to be valid, by adding the ability for the Planning Board to extend Variance or Special Exception by one year for good cause, by adding the clause that no Special Exception or Variance expire for one year after the resolution of an application to the Planning Board filed in reliance on the Special Exception or Variance and the stipulation that if use or construction that a Special Exception or Variance authorizes is abandoned for at least two years a new application be approved by the Board.

## Article 3

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

Amend Table 1 Use Regulations Retail and Services: Revise existing language by adding "event venue and related function services" to Numbers 19, 19-a and 20.

## Article 4

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

Amend Article III Definitions, to revise Accessory Apartment definition with the statutory definition of RSA 674:71.

**and**, amend **Article XIV-B Accessory Apartment** by adding the clause "but shall have an interior door connecting it to the primary dwelling unit".

**ADJOURN TO WEDNESDAY MARCH 15, 2017 @ 7:00 P.M.  
TOWN HALL**

**Article 5**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$328,530.00 (Three Hundred Twenty Eight Thousand Five Hundred Thirty Dollars) to construct a solar panel array on town land near the transfer station, of this amount \$64,935 (Sixty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Five Dollars) to come as a rebate from the NH Public Utilities Commission and further, to authorize the issuance of not more than \$263,595 (Two Hundred Sixty Three Thousand Five Hundred Ninety Five Dollars) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; further, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the first year's bond payment. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee 4-2, 1 Abstained) (2/3 ballot vote required.)

**Article 6**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,070,486 (Three Million, Seventy Thousand, Four Hundred Eighty Six Dollars) as the 2017 Operating Budget for general municipal operations? This amount does not include appropriations contained in special and individual warrant articles addressed separately. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 5-2). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 7**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 8**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$7,000 (Seven Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the previously established Employees Expendable Health Trust Fund? This Fund is used to partially reimburse participating town employees for deductible health expenses. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 5-2). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 9**

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

**Article 10**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$182,000 (One Hundred Eighty Two Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established New Fire Station Construction Capital Reserve Fund? Of this amount \$82,000 (Eighty Two Thousand Dollars) to come from the unassigned fund balance in the General Fund and the balance amount of \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) to be raised through taxation. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 6-0, 1 Abstained). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 11**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,000 (Ninety Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Fire and Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 12**

Shall the town vote to establish a Firefighter Equipment Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purchase of firefighter equipment and gear, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee 5-2). (Majority Vote Required).

**Article 13**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Highway Road Construction Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 6-1). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 14**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 15**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Bridge Repair/Replacement Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 6-1). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 16**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established DPW Facilities Improvement Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 6-1). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 17**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the previously established Preservation of Town Records Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 18**

Shall the Town vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be placed into the fund? This sum is to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the general fund. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 5-2). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 19**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? This sum is to come from the Unassigned Fund Balance and no amount needed to be raised through taxation. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 20**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$24,000 (Twenty Four Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the previously established Library Building Renovation and Repair Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 21**

Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of setting aside Town funds to use as “matching funds” for transportation improvement grants from state and federal agencies as well as funding repairs and improvements to town walkways, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this fund and furthermore, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 4-3). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 22**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 (Twenty Thousand Dollars) to assist the Warner Fall Foliage Festival Committee in paying for the cost of the site work on the new town parking area adjacent to the school? The owners have granted a permanent ROW easement to the Town to use this developed section of their property for additional parking as well as during the Fall Foliage Festival. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 6-0, 1 Abstained). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 23**

Shall the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:28-b, All Veterans Tax Credit? If adopted, the credit will be available to any resident, or the spouse or surviving spouse of any resident, who served not less than 90 days on active service in the armed forces of the United States and was honorably discharged or an officer honorably separated from services and is not eligible for or receiving a credit under RSA 72:28 or RSA 72:35. If adopted, the credit granted will be \$500, the same amount as the standard or optional veteran's tax credit voted by the Town of Warner under RSA 72:28. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen). (Majority vote required).

**Article 24**

“Polling hours in the Town of Warner are now 8:00 am to 7:00 pm. Shall we place a question on the state election ballot to change polling hours so that polls shall open at 7:00 am and close at 7:00 pm. for all regular state elections beginning in 2019 (To go into effect)? (Majority vote required.)

**Article 25**

To see if the Town of Warner will direct the selectmen to develop and implement a plan to dismantle the Odd Fellows Building in 2018. The lot would be developed as a combination parking lot and green space. The plan should also include the salvage of the clock tower as an architectural feature to display on said lot. (Submitted by Petition)

**Article 26**

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

Given under our hands and seal this 27th day of February in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

**Warner Board of Selectmen**

Clyde Carson, Chairman  
Allan N. Brown, Selectman  
John Dabuliewicz, Selectman

## *Budget Committee*

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Each autumn, Budget Committee meetings begin in earnest with review of year-to-date spending. This review helps bring the committee members and citizens up to speed on the financial state of the Town. The Capital Improvements Program is also a key topic that generates a lot of discussion. The CIP is often where future warrant articles can be found.

While the Budget Committee does not get directly involved in the Kearsarge Regional School District budgeting, it does invite Warner's representatives of the school district to meet with the Budget Committee. These meetings have proven to be informative. The time given by the representatives is greatly appreciated.

The Budget Committee also reviews and discusses revenues; incoming funds. Most areas of revenue are challenging to forecast and control. Therefore, conservative projections are discussed. While not controllable by the Budget Committee, understanding revenue helps the committee gain a better appreciation of the overall financial picture for the Town.

The majority of the work undertaken by the Budget Committee each year involves reviewing individual and aggregate budgets assembled by the Town Administrator, the Board of Selectmen and the Department Heads. In weekly meetings, the committee members inquire about the budgets, often deep diving into individual budget line items. The discussions can lead to detailed explanations of each aspect of the budget and sometimes result in suggestions and adjustments. The process is iterative in nature and often continues through to January, sometimes February. The Budget Committee appreciates the work done by all involved.

The 2017 operating budget we agreed to present at Town Meeting was \$3,070,486. That's \$44,436 over the 2016 budget. It included, among other things, 2% pay increases, a new health insurance plan for employees, which saved \$42,000 in premium increases, additional funding to maintain Pine Grove Cemetery, and the first annual \$42,750 lease payment for the new highway grader. Generally, the overall budget remained fairly flat while maintaining the level of services Warner residents require and have come to expect.

The work of the Budget Committee brings another set of eyes and ideas to Town budgeting and is done on behalf of the citizens of Warner. Citizens are encouraged to attend the meetings. Minutes of the meetings can be found online at [www.warner.nh.us](http://www.warner.nh.us).

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Kimberley Edelmann - Budget Committee Vice Chair*

## *Emergency Management*

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2016 was a successful year for Emergency Management activities. Our Emergency Management Team completed a full revision to our Emergency Operations Plan (EOP). Many hours were spent in the review and rewrite of our Plan. In September, the Board of Selectmen did approve the Plan as presented. State EMPG Grant assistance in the amount of \$4,015.00 was received to help offset the Town's cost. As indicated in the EOP, the committee will meet to review and make changes on an annual basis.

In late September, the committee and other organizations participated in a Table Top Exercise to test our revised EOP with NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management personnel facilitating this exercise. An After Action Report was submitted to the Town by the agency with recommendations. One of the recommendations was to purchase equipment necessary to outfit the Emergency Operations Center. (EOC) An EMPG grant has been submitted to the State for funding to assist in purchasing this equipment. I will let you know next year if we receive these funds.

Our Hazardous Mitigation Committee is required to meet to review/update Chapter 10 of our Hazardous Mitigation Plan. The Committee will be meeting in the spring and late fall to review and update this Chapter. **Public participation is strongly encouraged.** If you are interested in participating, please contact me or leave your information with the Selectmen's office. Please check the Town's web site [www.warner.nh.us](http://www.warner.nh.us) for updated information.

Work is underway to design the new Fire Station that meets the need of the Fire Department for years to come. Additionally, Warner's Emergency Operation Center (EOC) is located within the current Fire Station. This is the location where Town Officials and other organizations meet to address the needs of our community during a disaster event. Current draft plans for the new fire station is providing adequate space for emergency management activities. Grant funds can be available for such things as EOC equipment, generator, security and communications. Paperwork has been submitted to start that process.

At the end of 2015, funds were encumbered for generator improvements at the highway garage and the police station. Both of the existing generators were set to power emergency circuits only. As the highway garage serves as the back-up EOC, it was felt that full back-up power should be available for this building. I am happy to report that a new generator and associated equipment has been installed at the highway garage and the existing highway generator was transferred and installed at the Warner police station, so both buildings are able to be fully operational when commercial power is lost.

Are you aware of what to do when a disaster strikes? Do you have a family emergency plan? Do you have 72 hours of food, water, and medicine available in the event of a disaster? For more information, please go to [ReadyNH.gov](http://ReadyNH.gov); or contact me for

## *Emergency Management (cont.)*

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information. This site continues to be updated with information on emergency planning for families as well as businesses. Additionally, you can sign up for [NH Alerts](#) notification on ReadyNH.gov or download the app on your phone (or both).

Do you or someone you know need special assistance during an emergency or disaster? Available on the Town's web site is a Functional Needs Assessment form for you to complete. Once the form is completed you can mail it to the Town at P.O. Box 265-**Mark for Emergency Management** or drop it by the Selectmen's office. - **All information received will be confidential.** Additionally, the Library has offered to assist anyone in completing this form.

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

*Respectfully submitted,  
Edward F. Mical  
Coordinator*



## *DPW - Highway*

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I would like to begin by Thanking my crew at the Warner Highway Dept. Whenever there is a project to do, a road to plow or a repair to make they are always ready and willing for the challenge. Warner is very fortunate to have such devoted employees. Mother Nature was pretty good to us last year. Fairly mild and not a whole lot of precipitation thru the winter and hardly any rain during the summer, which for some is a bad thing. For the Highway Dept. it was a good thing. We were able to tackle some pretty meaningful projects and do some much needed road maintenance.

Some of the projects we accomplished during the season were reclamation @ the town gravel pit, and reconstruction of 600' of Pleasant Lake Road at the entrance to gravel pit. This section of road was a real problem in the spring time with large pot holes and water ponding. We also tackled the remaining 1400 feet of Waldron Hill Road with 1200 feet of underdrain, replaced a couple of cross pipes, ground up existing pavement, added 400 yards of crushed gravel, fine graded, and put down Base pavement. At the Transfer Station we reconfigured the Demolition materials area. At Riverside Park, we resurfaced the second softball field. The DPW crew corrected the drainage at the Pillsbury Free Library, redirecting the water run-off from the roof, underground to the existing street drainage. The run-off was damaging the sidewalk on Depot Street. With this problem corrected we can begin repairs to that section of sidewalk. The Highway crew also did site work for the lot line adjustment with Simonds School which provides more Town parking.

Some of the regular maintenance projects were ditching on Schoodac, Couchtown, North Village, Newmarket streets and Harriman Lane. We replaced six culvert pipes, conducted roadside mowing, road grading of various gravel roads in town and hauled gravel to the Town Garage storage area. The crew spent a week shimming some of the worst spots on town paved roads with hot top. We took delivery of new Caterpillar grader in Oct. and are very pleased with its performance.

I would like to thank the Warner Fire Dept. and Warner Police Dept. for their assistance whenever needed.

*Respectfully Submitted*  
*Timothy Allen - Director of Public Works*

## *Fire Department*

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The Warner Fire and Rescue Department had another busy year in 2016, reaching the 400 call mark for the third time in the history of the department. Medical calls are our leading number of calls. A list of what type of calls that were responded to is at the end of this report.

We want to thank a number of people and businesses in town for their much appreciated support this year:

1. The School House Café for holding a benefit cookout that allowed us to purchase four new, two way radios with GPS units to be used in the event of lost people, brush fires, snowmobile accidents; anything that may bring us off road.
2. Schoodac's for having a benefit pumpkin carving event to raise money for other fire department equipment that is needed.
3. Tim Allen and his highway crew for their quick responses to all our calls that needed attention for trees and/or wires down and snow removal.
4. Warner Police for their back up on calls. I also have a special thank you to Officer Warren Foote for all he did on the weekends and during the many years of his service. We will miss you.

On the weekend of Memorial Day we were called to respond to a downed airplane somewhere in the Mink Hills of Warner. The only information initially received was that a plane had crashed. After gathering information from the 911 dispatch center, we were able to determine the general area where the plane came down. Due to the darkness and fog, we knew this would be a difficult rescue. We were able to talk to one of the people in the plane to get information about how many victims and what the kind of injuries there were. We set up staging and sent teams of six to eight rescuers in twenty minute intervals. Mutual aid was called in to assist and after about seven hours we were able to remove both victims and transport them to Concord Hospital. Thanks to having mutual aid from the towns of Bradford, Sutton, Henniker, Hillsboro, Webster, Boscawen, and Concord, who sent crews of six to eight people per town, we had a successful rescue. The crews had to clear a trail to the crash site and carry the two victims out. This was not a small task due to the terrain. There were more than eighty men and women that took part in this rescue.

## *Fire Department (cont.)*

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On another rescue on Mt Kearsarge earlier in the spring we worked with Wilmot and New London Fire Departments to rescue an injured hiker. On these types of calls we have to carry victims up to the top of the mountain and down the Warner side because of steep terrain on the Wilmot side of the mountain. For the first time that we know of, the DART Helicopter from Dartmouth Hospital was able to assist us by landing at the top. I have no knowledge of this ever happening in the past but was thankful it did because of the amount of ice on the trail.

Accomplishments to note are that Warner Fire Rescue has a firefighter who has made the journey with other firefighters from New Hampshire into northern Canada, by helicopter, to fight wildfires. This is the second time in three years that firefighter Ross Mingarelli made this journey. If you see him ask him about his experience. We are lucky to have him on our fire department. Two firefighters, Mitchell Dean and Dakota Poole, graduated from the Firefighter 1 course through The New Hampshire Fire Academy in December, accomplishing the Firefighter I rating. We have four other firefighters taking this course beginning in January and they will be graduating in April. New members who joined the department this year are Dakota Poole, Tristen Deking, Marshal Dean and Ben France. We welcome you.

After serving forty years as a fireman, taking on the jobs of being the treasurer/clerk and working up through the ranks to Deputy Chief, Jim Henley has decided to retire. The members would like to thank Jim for his dedication and support that he gave every time an alarm came in. It is people like Jim who make fire departments like Warner Fire and Rescue the best they can be. On a personal note, I would like to thank Jim for all that he has done for all of the fire department members by being an excellent example of who a firefighter is. He has helped in many ways to make the Warner Fire Rescue what it is today. Thanks Jim from all of us at WFD.

Remember to make sure your house is numbered so we can find you in case you have a problem. Also it's a good time to change your batteries in your CO and smoke detectors and check them out. It doesn't hurt to vacuum around them to get rid of any cobwebs and dust.

### Incident Type Report (Summary)

Fires	25
Rescue & Medical Services	279
Hazardous Conditions (No Fire)	11
Service Calls	19
Good Intent Calls	36
False Alarm & False Calls	31
Total Incident Count	402

*Respectfully submitted,  
Ed Raymond, Fire Chief*

## *Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger*

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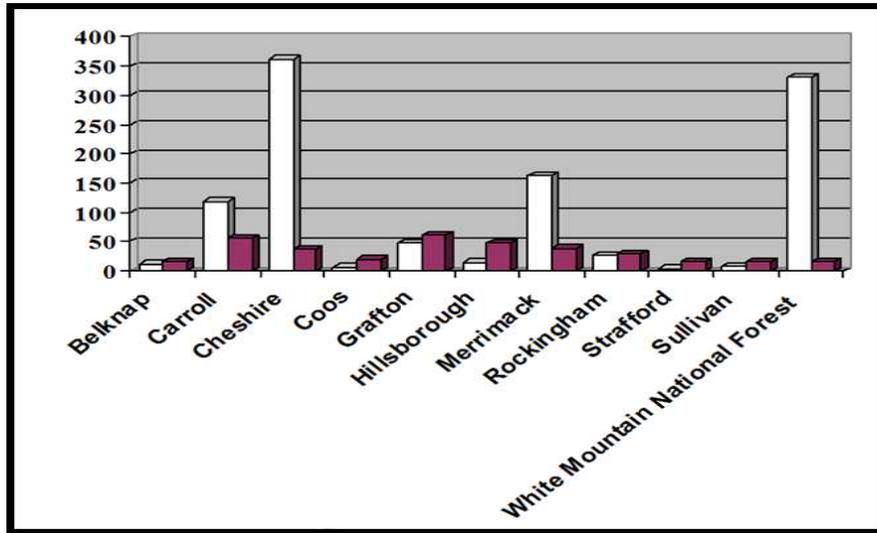
Over the past two years, New Hampshire has experienced its busiest fire seasons since 1989. 1,090 acres burned during the 2016 season. The White Mountain National Forest experienced its largest fire since becoming a National Forest, burning 330 acres in the town of Albany in November. Fires falling under state jurisdiction burned 759 acres, with the largest fire of 199 acres occurring in Stoddard. The extremely dry summer led to a busy fall fire season with large fires occurring into mid-November. Drought conditions hampered fire suppression efforts and extended the time needed to extinguish fires. Your local fire departments and the Division of Forests & Lands worked tirelessly throughout the year to protect homes and the forests. The statewide system of 16 fire lookout towers continues to operate on high fire danger days. Our fire lookouts are credited with keeping many fires small due to their quick and accurate spotting capabilities. The towers fire detection efforts were supplemented by the NH Civil Air Patrol when the fire danger was especially high.

Many homes in New Hampshire are located in the wildland urban interface, which is the area where homes and flammable wildland fuels intermix. Several of the fires during the 2016 season threatened structures, and a few structures were burned, a constant reminder that forest fires burn more than just trees. Homeowners should take measures to prevent a wildland fire from spreading to their home. Precautions include keeping your roof and gutters clear of leaves and pine needles, and maintaining adequate green space around your home free of flammable materials. Additional information and homeowner recommendations are available at [www.firewise.org](http://www.firewise.org). Please help Smokey Bear, your local fire department, and the state's Forest Rangers by being fire wise and fire safe!

As we prepare for the 2017 fire season, please remember to contact your local Forest Fire Warden or Fire Department to determine if a fire permit is required before doing ANY outside burning. Under State law (RSA 227-L:17) a fire permit is required for all outside burning, unless the ground is completely covered with snow. Fire permits are also available online in most towns and may be obtained by visiting [www.NHfirepermit.com](http://www.NHfirepermit.com). The burning of household waste is prohibited by the Air Resources Division of the Department of Environmental Services (DES). You are encouraged to contact the local fire department or DES at 603-271-3503 or [www.des.nh.gov](http://www.des.nh.gov) for more information. Safe open burning requires your diligence and responsibility. Thank you for helping us to protect New Hampshire's forest resources. For more information please contact the Division of Forests & Lands at (603) 271-2214, or online at [www.nhdfl.org](http://www.nhdfl.org).

*Report of Forest Fire Warden and State Forest Ranger*

**2016 FIRE STATISTICS**  
 (All fires reported as of December 2016)



CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED		Total	Fires	Total Acres
Arson	15	2016	351	1,090
Debris	85	2015	124	635
Campfire	35	2014	112	72
Children	10	2013	182	144
Smoking	12	2013	182	144
Railroad	2			
Equipment	18			
Lightning	9			
Misc.*	148	(*Misc.: power lines, fireworks, electric fences, etc.)		

**ONLY YOU CAN PREVENT WILDLAND FIRE**

## *Police Department*

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I wish to again thank and commend my staff on the Warner Police Department for providing the highest level of public safety to our residents and businesses in our community.

Officer Warren E. Foote of the Warner Police Department retired from law enforcement on December 31, 2016. Officer Foote was previously a full-time law enforcement officer with the City of Concord, New Hampshire and retired after twenty-three years of service. He was hired as a part-time officer with the Town of Warner in February of 2006. Officer Foote was an exemplary officer and will be greatly missed. I wish to thank Officer Foote for his many years of dedicated service and wish him the very best in his retirement.

Energy efficient lighting was installed throughout the Warner Police Department in 2016 in an effort to reduce annual electrical costs to the town.

Our interior and exterior video recording system, at the police department, was also upgraded in 2016. Our previous system was approximately seventeen years old and several cameras as well as VHS recording capabilities had failed. The new HD system provides us with digital recording which greatly enhances security for the department and public.

Sturm, Ruger & Co., Inc. graciously provided all new duty firearms to the Warner Police Department in 2016 at no cost to the town. I wish to thank them for their generous gift to the Town of Warner.

Officer Tokarz continues to conduct and host our annual bicycle rodeo and the DARE program at Simond's Elementary School.

We continue to provide fingerprinting, that may be required for employment or volunteer work, to all town residents.

We ask everyone to adhere to the winter parking ban. Your efforts are greatly appreciated and insures that snow removal is not obstructed.

An observant community plays a critical role in keeping our town safe. If you observe anything suspicious, you are encouraged to contact police.

I wish to thank all residents and businesses for your continued cooperation, assistance and support throughout the year.

*Respectfully submitted,  
William E. Chandler  
Chief of Police*

*Police Department*

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ACTIVITY STATISTICS 2016

<u>MOTOR VEHICLE</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
ACCIDENTS:	55	48
CITATIONS:	134	81
ASSIST MOTORIST:	36	31
WARNINGS:	940	942
<b>TOTAL MOTOR VEHICLE:</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>1,102</b>
<u>CRIMINAL:</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
INVESTIGATION:	765	609
JUVENILE:	5	13
UNTIMELY DEATHS:	1	1
WARRANTS:	18	15
ARRESTS:	50	47
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL:</b>	<b>839</b>	<b>705</b>
<u>DISPATCH USAGE/CALLS</u>	<u>7,805</u>	<u>7,290</u>

## *Health Officer*

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As your new Health Officer, I look forward to working with the town residents to help resolve any issues we may have. As my first year comes to a close as the Health Officer for the Town of Warner, I would like to remind the residents of my responsibilities. As the Health Officer I am appointed by the Board of Selectman for a three year term. My scope of work is to enforce New Hampshire public health rules and laws as well as local ordinances. I am also the liaison between state officials and the community on issues concerning local public health to include inspections of daycare, foster homes, evaluations of septic system failures and investigations of offensive odors.

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

*Respectfully submitted,  
Peter Wyman - Health Officer*



## *Welfare Officer's Report*

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

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

<b>Type of Assistance</b>	<b># of people</b>	<b>2014 Cost</b>	<b># of people</b>	<b>2015 Cost</b>	<b># of people</b>	<b>2016 Cost</b>
Rent	4	\$ 10,023	3	\$ 6,802	16	\$ 9,526
Mortgage	1	1,549	0	-	5	5,810
Fuel	1	439	1	194	0	-
Prescription	0	-	0	-	0	-
Electric	1	418	0	-	3	450
Propane	1	554	0	-	0	-
Car Repair	0	-	0	-	1	476
Car Payment	1	451	0	-	0	-
Ineligible	5	-	5	-	10	-
Reimbursement	0	-	0	-	0	(150)
Dental	0	-	0	-	0	-
Pending/Withdrawn	0	-	0	-	0	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>\$13,435</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>\$6,996</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>\$16,112</b>

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Bingham - Welfare Director*

## *Community Action Program (CAP)*

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

In 2016 we served the following:

	<u>Cost</u>
5,485 meals to 1,092 people	\$27,425
Fuel Assistance to 159 people	64,485
Electric Assistance to 67 households	40,886
USDA Commodity surplus food to local food pantries distributed 373 cases	5,754
Neighbor helping Neighbor provides emergency assistance up to \$300 for those not eligible for fuel assistance for 8 grants	1,534
Weatherization for 2 homes (5 people)	15,634
Emergency Assistance Program provided funds to avoid homelessness such as utility shut offs and evictions for 1 household	171
Emergency Housing Program provided 1 household assistance for homeless/at risk of homeless individuals and families with rent, security deposit, utility arrearage	895
Total	<u>\$156,784</u>

*Respectfully submitted,  
Erin Reed  
Area Director*

## *Transfer & Recycling Station*

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2016 brought a number of long planned projects and acquisitions to fruition. In spring we took delivery of a new JCB 260 skid steer loader replacing the 753 Bobcat that had given us close to twenty years of service. With cabin side entry and a single lift boom it affords better visibility and safer operations. Early summer saw redevelopment of the construction and demolition area. This entailed removal of an existing building and dilapidated dock structure and replacement with a new three bay docking complex. That allowed the relocation of the distant and often neglected scrap steel dumpster to a place of greater accessibility for both the public and our haulers. Later in summer Labbe Painting prepped and coated the office and recycling building fulfilling our long held dream of making the facility buildings a single shade of brown.

As a resurgent economy has brought us a resurgent waste stream we would encourage your recycling efforts to keep pace. Recycling in its quiet way reduces your taxes (\$17,787 in 2015), conserves energy (300,000 kilowatt hours), and cuts emissions (close to 400 tons of CO2 annually in our metals recycling alone). While recycling is mandated by town ordinance and continued use of this facility is dependent upon your compliance with said ordinance we think an appeal to the Yankee values of thrift and conservation more appropriate. Let the monument to our time here be not a landfill but a landscape unaccosted and coffers undiminished.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Varick Proper*



*Transfer & Recycling Station Revenue*

	Quantity	Revenue	Expense	Cost Avoidance
AC/Refrigeration	107 units (metals)		963	
Construction/Demo.	76 (tons)		6,476	
Electronic Waste	9 (tons)		3,145	
Fluorescent Bulbs	200units			
Propane	300 units		346	
Small Engine	(metals)			
Furniture	(MSW)			
Mattress/Boxspring	(MSW)			
Tires	(MSW)			
Bulk Waste	(MSW)			
Municipal Solid Waste (MSW)	859 tons		56,600	
<b>Total Waste</b>	<b>943 tons disposed</b>	<b>9,734 tipping fees</b>	<b>67,530</b>	
Glass	80 tons			5,277
Cardboard	45 tons	4,060		2,976
Mixed Paper	70 tons	3,396		4,640
Plastic	12 tons	418		789
Aluminum	4 tons	3,620		292
Precious Metals		no sales		
Scrap Metals	79 tons	5,676		5,204
Steel Cans	6 tons	615		375
Batteries	1 tons	665		88
Vegetable Oil		71		
<b>Total Recycling</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>18,521</b>		
<b>Transportation</b>			<b>17,331</b>	
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>28,255</b>		
<b>Total Expense</b>			<b>84,861</b>	
<b>Total Avoidance</b>				<b>19,641</b>

## *Pillsbury Free Library*

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The library held 142 programs (136 children's), and the Frank Maria Meeting Room was used 212 times by groups including Town Committees, Men's Club, DAR, Quilters, Beekeepers, Bible study, Bridge group, and tutoring sessions. In addition to weekly story hours and monthly after school crafts, children's programs included a Great Stone Face book voting party, an Autumn costume party, a musical play (James and the Giant Peach), and a food drive by the Gr. 4-7 Book Nook reading group. The Exercise-themed summer reading program had 30 participants who logged 1,878 books, and included programs by Abbie Demers, Val Blachly, and Georgia Flanders as well as presentations about martial arts, Fencing, and two evening performances funded partly by a "Kids, Books and the Arts" grant. Lindsey Greenlaw was our youth helper this year. Activities for adults included a wine and cheese party with an auction, a flea market, an Edible Books contest, Circle of Friends meetings and book sales.

Some technology improvements included adding another Chromebook laptop for public use, and an updated projector for programs and Town use, funded by the 2015 Warner Fall Foliage Festival. Our online-catalog upgrades includes real-time search and status of items at the NH downloadable eBooks and audiobooks OverDrive website.

Online digital books, language learning, and genealogy and magazine resources are still available thanks to the Richard and Mary Cogswell Fund and NH State Library. Please ask us for the passwords. Museum Passes were used a total of **104** times (McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center/Planetarium, Museum of N.H. History, Museum of Fine Arts, and The Fells purchased with the Eleanor Cutting Fund, and the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum and N.H. Telephone Museum donated free passes for local use.) In 2017 we will add a NH Parks pass.

Thank you to Dimentech.com, for hosting our <http://warner.lib.nh.us> website, As always, a huge thank you to our Trustees, and other continuing volunteers Judy Ackroyd, Nan Cogswell, Sally Metheany, Marcia Moyer, Robert Stuart, Elizabeth Dill, Kendra West-Senor, and Lily Pelkey-Jacobson, the Circle of Friends, and many others who helped with book sales and general assistance in 2016. Also, winning the NHLTA Library Director of the Year and its celebration was a great honor and surprise. Thank you. It is a pleasure to work in such a great community.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy Ladd, Library Director*

## *Pillsbury Free Library Statistics*

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<b>Circulation (check outs)</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>
Adult Books (incl. eBook*)	8,284	8,098
Children's/YA Books	16,027	15,283
Magazines (incl. on-line)	1,086	1,067
Audio/Video (incl. on-line)	8,615	7,298
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,012</b>	<b>31,746</b>

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

<b>Collection Size</b>	<b>Owned 12/2015</b>	<b>Added 2016</b>	<b>Removed 2016</b>	<b>Owned 12/2016</b>
Books	28,860	1,026	332	29,554
eBooks**	14	0	0	14
Audiobooks**	680	43	12	711
Music	242	1	0	243
Videos/DVDs	2,283	190	56	2,417
Mags./Newspapers	67	1	3	65
Electronic File Discs	19	0	1	18
Microfilm	105	0	0	105
<b>Total</b>	<b>32,270</b>	<b>1,261</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>33,117</b>

\*\* plus eBooks and audio books available as free downloadables

### **Registered Borrowers:**

New: 139 ~ Gone: 562 (file clean-up) ~ Total borrower cards: 2,820 (988 used in 2016)

### **Visits Per Year:**

Over 17,000

### **Inter-Library Loans:**

Items Borrowed: 722 ~ Lent Out: 908 ~ Total: 1,630

### **Computer Uses:**

2,364 (plus wireless)

### **Equipment Lent Out:**

Projector: 38 times, players/tablets 15

## *Pillsbury Free Library Trustees*

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During the past year, we were finally able to see the results of the Land and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) grant awarded to the library in December 2014. After an extensive search, the trustees and librarian were able to locate highly qualified individuals to repair and seal the exterior walls and areas around the front steps, windows, and roof. The large granite front steps were reset by the Warner DPW and, in doing so, we took the opportunity to place a small “time capsule” of current Warner information. (Future access to the capsule will be through the meeting room ceiling.) New copper gutters and storm drains are now in place and should provide a permanent solution to handling the water drainage off the roof of the original 1891 building. We were granted an extension from LCHIP to June 30, 2017 to complete the gutters and some interior walls and ceiling repairs plus painting.

Also in 2017, we hope to level the floor in the well-used Frank Maria community room as the uneven floor is a safety hazard and needs to be addressed. In addition, we are asking for funds to combine with library donations to remove the dropped ceiling in the 1891 fiction room to reveal the beautiful, original stain glass windows and arched ceiling.

The trustees and staff join the Town in celebrating Nancy Ladd as New Hampshire’s Library Director of 2016! It was a great source of pride to have the NH Library Trustees’ Association select Nancy for this honor. Many of you joined us in November for a reception at the library as we toasted, with a bit of roasting, Nancy’s many accomplishments over the past 31 years. We look forward to many more years with Nancy as our town’s Library Director.

The trustees realize that Nancy would not be able to do her job as well as she does without the unwavering support and hard work provided by the entire staff, the Circle of Friends and other volunteers. Thank you so much for all you do.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Sara McNeil  
Chair, Board of Trustees*

## *Pillsbury Free Library Funds*

Report of Trust Funds  
January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016

**Report of Trust Funds:**

	<u>Balance</u> <u>01/01/16</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Debits</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/16</u>
Eleanor Cutting Fund	\$ 38,601	\$ 458	\$ 705	\$ 38,354
Frank Maria Fund	7,509	153	150*	7,512
Mary Martin Children's	6,608	69	-	6,677
Lloyd & Annie Cogswell	25,952	317	-	26,269
Richard & Mary Cogswell	\$ 116,864	\$ 1,402	\$ 2,226	\$ 116,040

**Report of Non-Lapsing Funds:**

	<u>Balance</u> <u>01/01/16</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Debits</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/16</u>
Copier/Printer	\$ 1,989	\$ 1,018	\$ 1,356	\$ 1,651
Fines and Fees	5,042	610	2,821*	2,831
Donations Fund	\$ 44,409	\$ 84,623*	\$ 123,592	\$ 5,440

**Report of General Operating Funds**

	<u>Balance</u> <u>01/01/16</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Debits</u>	<u>Balance</u> <u>12/31/16</u>
General Operating Account	\$ 3,099	\$ 43,250*	\$ 46,300	\$ 50

\* includes funds transferred between accounts.

Other Funds: Personnel expenses paid via Town Finance Office as part of Library's allocation: \$146,130.



*Pillsbury Free Library*  
2016 Report of Income & Expenses

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	<b>Jan. – Dec. 2016</b>
<b>Income</b>	
Book & Equipment Sales	\$ 2,108
Copy/Printer Income	1,018
Donations, Grants and Rebates*	49,127
Fines and Fees	609
Government - Local**	186,881
Interest Income	2,410
Trusts - Town & Redington	1,020
Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund	<u>32,218</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 275,392</b>
 <b>Expense</b>	
Copier/printer Expenses	\$ 1,251
Capital Expense*	117,601
Collections	18,015
Donations/Grants spent (non capital)	3,604
Programs & Misc. Operating Expenses	10,063
Personnel expenses	147,248
Building Maintenance/Operation	22,915
<b>Total Expense</b>	<u>320,641</u>
<b>Net income/expense ***</b>	<u><b>\$ (45,249)</b></u>

\*Includes \$40,000 LCHIP Grant for masonry repair, gutters and drainage improvements. Remaining \$10,000 to be received in 2017.

\*\*Does not include final \$57.15 of allotment, received January 2017.

\*\*\*Includes amounts spent from pre-existing non-lapsing Library funds.

The Board of Trustees would like to express gratitude to all who have contributed financial support through donations, including Fall Foliage Festival, the Circle of Friends, and many individuals.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Jeanne E. Hand*  
*Treasurer, Library Trustees*

## *Conservation Commission*

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**Warner River Nomination:** In a survey begun in 2014 by NH Fish & Game, local volunteers, and Trout Unlimited revealed that of 60% of streams feeding the Warner River are home to native brook trout, which are indicators of excellent water quality. With that information, representatives of conservation commissions from Warner, Bradford, Sutton, Webster and Hopkinton and the Warner Energy Committee formed a committee to nominate the Warner River to the NH River Management and Protection Program (RMPP). The Warner River Nomination Committee developed an informative website, <https://warnerrivernomination.wordpress.com>, reached out to riverfront landowners, and convened public meetings in all five towns with Select Boards and residents to encourage public input and build support for the river designation to the RMPP. Designation adds no additional regulation but provides for increased river recognition, local and regional collaboration, and greater participation in land use decisions that impact the Warner River. Input received from the public is reflected in changes that have been made to the nomination document by the committee, which is still seeking organizational and individual letters of support for inclusion in the nomination document. The nomination document will be reviewed in June 2017 by the NH Department of Environmental Services, followed by a public hearing. If approved, the Warner River nomination will be sent in the fall to the NH legislature for a vote to add the Warner River to the eighteen NH rivers already designated as participants in the NH RMPP.

For more information about the RMPP or how to submit a letter of support for the Warner River designation, please send an e-mail to [wrnomination@gmail.com](mailto:wrnomination@gmail.com).

**Land Protection:** In 2016 the WCC had inquiries about the protection of 5 properties in town. All are in various stages of investigation or development. WCC hopes to be able to report next year that we have successfully completed all the transactions.

WCC met with representatives of the Chandler Reservation to talk about enhancing residents' awareness of the recreational opportunities of existing trails and the educational self-guided woods walk in the Chandler Reservation.

This past year the WCC received several communications from private property owners about the impact of off-road vehicles in the Mink Hills. Land owners in the Minks have expressed concerns about additional damage to their properties, some of which are under protective conservation easements by the Society for the Protection of NH Forests (SPNHF). The Board of Selectmen recently renewed a 3 year agreement with the Boundtree ATV Club to manage and use several miles of Class VI roads in the Mink Hills, which has raised further concerns. The WCC plans to convene a meeting of stakeholders and interested people willing to work together to find a practical solution to this problem.

Thanks to WCC members who give generously of their time and environmental knowledge and thanks also to Warner residents for your ongoing support of WCC activities.

*Respectfully submitted - Nancy Martin, WCC Chair*

## *Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust*

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The mission of the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (Ausbon Sargent) is to protect the rural landscape of the twelve towns of the Mt. Kearsarge/Ragged/Mt. Sunapee region. The region comprises the towns of Andover, Bradford, Danbury, Goshen, Grantham, New London, Newbury, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, Warner and Wilmot. Since our founding in 1987, Ausbon Sargent has completed 139 projects and protected 11,117 acres – including fourteen working farms and over eight miles of lake frontage. All of these conservation lands must provide for some public benefit and two-thirds of these properties offer public access. During 2016 Ausbon Sargent completed three projects representing just over 52 acres; one in Andover and two in New London.

Ausbon Sargent is pleased to have over 200 volunteers providing year-round support for easement monitoring, committee assignments and clerical work. We are especially grateful for those volunteers who monitor our conserved properties in Warner, including the Aranosian property on Schoodac Brook Road, the Brown/Moretto property on School House Lane, the three Courser properties, and the Lennon property on Pumpkin Hill Road. If you would like to join us in our work to protect these special places, there are many ways to get involved: you could become a conservation easement donor, support Ausbon Sargent financially, volunteer your time to the organization, encourage the town officials throughout our twelve town region to conserve our rural character by supporting land conservation, and if you are not already, please consider becoming a member of Ausbon Sargent.

Our website at Ausbon Sargent indicates which of the land trust's protected properties have trails open to the public. These trails, many of which cross privately owned land, are open to hiking, cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. The website includes trail maps and driving directions. For more information on these newly conserved properties; and all of Ausbon Sargent's protected properties, please visit our website at: [www.ausbonsargent.org](http://www.ausbonsargent.org). Also, please be sure to "Like" us on Facebook!

Ausbon Sargent hosted numerous events in 2016 that are available for our membership and the public to enjoy. In addition to our regular Progressive Dinner and Holiday party, we held workshops on the invasive insect, the Emerald Ash Borer, and how to support pollinators in the landscape. Hikes were offered in Sunapee, Andover, New London, Wilmot, and Springfield. Our popular dragonfly walk was held in Sutton. As you can see, we offer many opportunities to get out to learn, hike, and involve the public in our mission to protect the rural landscape of our region. We hope you will all come out at some point to take advantage of our workshops, or to experience the beauty of some of these special places for yourselves.

We would especially like to thank the Town of Warner Conservation Commission for being such a good resource and collaborating with Ausbon Sargent on several successful projects over the years.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Deborah L. Stanley - Executive Director*

## *Chandler Reservation Committee*

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The Chandler Reservation Committee oversaw completion of boundary line work for the 236-acre portion of the Town Forest located on the north side of Eaton Grange Road, west of Interstate 89. Blazing for the Forest was installed in 2015, and after blazes were allowed to weather, the blazes were painted with yellow boundary paint during autumn 2016, covering approximately 9,537 feet (1.81 miles).

The Committee put one timber sale out for bid on the Chandler Reservation in 2016. The contract was awarded to RM Timber Harvesting, utilizing cut-to-length mechanized harvesting equipment. The area harvested is along the east side of Bean Road, and covered approximately 30 acres. The logging was conducted during autumn 2016. One goal of the harvest was to create some ground scarification to take advantage of the tremendous red oak acorn crop this fall, with the hope that red oak will regenerate in some of the larger gaps and openings created during the project. Another goal was to remove groups of hemlock trees, to increase the sunlight levels in some areas, taking advantage of an available hemlock sawlog market, and to maintain wind firmness of the residual trees. Nearly 52,000 feet of hemlock logs were harvested, along with nearly 32,000 feet of hardwood log products. Additionally, over 200 tons of hemlock pulp and 70 cords of fuel wood were produced. Net revenue was \$12,975.67.

The Committee cleared back encroaching brush along the Reservation's so-called Weaver Road, located at the end of Howe Lane. Committee members Allie Mock and Gerry Courser used their tractors to brush out about 3,200 feet along both sides of the road.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Stephen Hall  
Gerald B. Courser  
Allison P. Mock  
Jonathan France*



## *Economic Development Advisory Committee*

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In 2016, the Select Board established the Warner Economic Development Advisory Committee. The purpose of this committee is:

“To support the existing business community and to encourage economic growth that serves local needs, is environmentally responsible, fits aesthetically with the town’s historic architecture, and provides a net increase in municipal revenue” (Warner Master Plan).

The committee emanated from Master Plan recommendations and further states “that an economic development committee is to advise and implement economic development activities and provide an official liaison between the town and the business community”.

The EDAC has had approximately 6 meetings. We have started the initial internal educational process of defining community economic development and what it can mean for a small community like ours. We have read and reviewed numerous documents, invited and spoke with the representative from the State Department of Resources and Economic Development and have created within our committee working groups that are helping to define goals and objectives that will be presented to the Select Board.

In the coming months we will discuss and report on a variety of opportunities including but not limited to: Business recruitment, retention and expansion, community branding and tourism.

We plan to have an open process to inform and educate the community about economic opportunities, listen to suggestions and eventually launch a plan to address improving our economic base. It’s imperative that a younger generation be intimately involved in this process that will include new ideas and energy.

It is safe to say, Warner has numerous opportunities to promote what we have come to appreciate living here, and in turn increase money flow into our community.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Charles S. Albano  
EDAC-Chair*

## *Planning Board*

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During 2016 the Warner Planning Board conditionally approved a Site Plan application for the new State Liquor Store and Aubuchon expansion and a Lot Line Adjustment application between the Town of Warner and the Kearsarge Regional School District. The Board also held meetings regarding two Conceptual Consultations and one Home Occupancy Conditional Use Permit.

In January, the Board revised the Site Plan and Subdivision applications to require one color coded drawing be submitted which will enhance the application review process. At the February meeting, the Planning Board approved this same change to the Lot Line Adjustment application.

The Planning Board met with Fire Chief Ed Raymond in February to be better informed on Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations for Hazardous Material categorization and for the Chief's recommendations on driveways and what grade he would recommend for easy access by the Fire Department.

A Fee Structure Subcommittee was formed and in February, the fees for all applications were revised in an effort to ensure the time spent on processing them was recouped by the Town and for more equitable costs for smaller projects versus larger ones.

In March a Master Plan Subcommittee was charged with revising the Master Plan and this project is still in process. Also in March a 10-year Traffic Count program was created and approved by the Board of Selectmen for use by Central NH Regional Planning Commission for Warner's yearly traffic count.

In April the application review process was reviewed and it was decided to make applications available to the Board members as soon as they are received in the Land Use Office so Board members would have more time before a meeting to review them. HB 1202 passed in June which changed the submittal time for applications to the Planning Board from 15 days prior to the meeting at which they are intending to be heard by the Board, to 21 days before the meeting.

The Planning Board met with several property owners in May for clarification on their place of business and changes that had occurred since the original site plans had been approved. As a result of these meetings, one of the owners submitted an "as built" plan to the Planning Board at the July meeting.

A Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Subcommittee simplified the CIP forms to make them easier for Department Heads to complete. The CIP was adopted by the Planning Board on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

The Board's proposed amendment to Zoning Article IXX Sign Requirements was adopted at the 2016 Annual Town Meeting. As of the end of 2016, the Planning Board had crafted and proposed three amendments for Town voters to consider at the March 2017 Town Meeting.

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

*Respectfully submitted - Ben Frost, Chairman*

## *Zoning Board of Adjustment*

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

In 2016 the Zoning Board of Adjustment heard a continuance of a 2015 Special Exception at the January, February and March meetings. A Site Walk was held in January on the same Special Exception with a decision reached at the March meeting.

Early in the year a project was approved by the Planning and Zoning Boards, to file all of the Land Use application information for both boards together under the Map and Lot number of the property. This project was completed and ensures ease of locating all the available information pertinent to one piece of property.

Six members of the Zoning Board attended the Office of Energy and Planning Conference in Concord in June. The town of Warner had the fourth largest number of attendees.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment revised the Site Visit Procedure in their Rules of Procedure and approved the revision at their July Meeting.

Applications for hearings are required to be submitted to the Land Use Secretary three weeks prior to the scheduled meetings. Meetings are scheduled for the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall and are generally cancelled if we have no applications present to hold a hearing.

Thanks to the Board member volunteers who work diligently toward maintaining the character of the town.

*Janice L. Loz*  
*Chairwoman of the Zoning Board of Adjustment*

## *Building Inspector*

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### Building Permits Issued in 2016

3	New Home	0	Change of Use
3	Addition	1	Sheds/Like Structures
4	Porch	3	Decks
5	Garage	1	Business/Commercial
8	Interior Renovation	2	Barn
4	Pool	14	Solar
0	Mobile Home	7	Generators/Electrical/Plumbing
0	Temporary Housing	0	Foundation
10	Furnace	0	Renewal
0	Cabin		

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

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

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

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

*Respectfully submitted,  
Tom Baye - Building Inspector*

## *Energy Committee*

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

The Warner Energy Committee (EC) has had another busy year. After finishing wood bank activities for the 2015-2016 heating season, we continued planning the development of a photovoltaic solar array at the Transfer Station in an effort to offset and reduce the Town’s future electricity costs and carbon footprint. Although the Town array didn’t pass at Town Meeting (barely), the array at the Water Precinct did pass, is operational and producing significant cost savings. Two meetings, a public hearing and information meeting, are planned on February 7 and March 8, 2017, at the Town Hall to present the project and answer questions. After three years of planning, vetting and refining the Transfer Station solar array will reappear as a warrant article this year.

The EC continues to track the progress of the design of a new Fire Station and is represented on the Fire Station Building Committee.

The Community Wood Bank is coordinated by the Energy Committee and operates on donations of wood and volunteer labor. Dry firewood is made available to residents in crisis, for temporary assistance on an emergency basis. This is the fifth heating season the Wood Bank has been in operation.

Each October we hold an annual work day at the Transfer Station and everyone has a great time working together and sharing pizza afterward. This year a work day was unnecessary due to the diligent work of the past. A work day is anticipated in October 2017, after Festival.

We are grateful to numerous local donors including Charlie Mac’s, Schoodacs, R.C. Brayshaw & Company, DadoPrint, the many volunteers, and for the cooperation of our Town employees. Thanks to all who have helped.

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

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Sue Hemingway*

*Peter Ladd*

*David Swords*

*Darren Blood*

*Bill Balsam*

*Clyde Carson - Selectmen’s Representative*

## *Parks and Recreation*

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Warner Parks and Recreation Department works hard year round to provide the community a safe place to play and exercise. We believe that enriching lives through quality parks and programs can increase community pride. We listen to the needs of the community we serve and provide the resources to obtain them.

Riverside Park is continually busy from spring to late fall. This past year we completed many projects to improve Riverside Park. The batting cage was rebuilt after the winter broke it down. The middle little league field was reconstructed to allow dual games for baseball, and the ability to host a tournament. A big thanks to Tim Allen, Director of Public Works and his crew to make this field possible. As a result of increased vandalism, a security camera system was added to the park. We hope this will help reduce the vandalism rate and provide law enforcement the information needed to recover property damage costs from the parties involved.

The beach at Silver Lake is looking better each year. It is a nice place to spend the day with your family. The beach has its own bathroom/changing room on site and is open daily during the swimming season.

Bagley Field is busy with activities all year including Frisbee and soccer. Kearsarge Rugby used our facilities this year as well. The ice rink continues to be a town favorite throughout the winter. The bike trail is seeing more use as well, and we will hopefully be adding another section to the trail this year.

All our parks in Warner are in constant use, and continue to grow. The dedicated volunteer Parks and Recreation staff take pride in the facilities and are delighted by the level of use by residents. We greatly appreciate all the volunteers through the local adult recreation and youth sports community for all the time and help they provide. We are proud to continue to host the following: WYSA Baseball, WYSA Softball, Co-Ed Adult Softball, Kearsarge Rugby, Old School PE, Wildcat Football, Cheerleading, WYSA Soccer programs, Ice Skating and general use.

A special thanks to Alan Piroso for his continual effort to take such great care of all the parks and provide a place of pride for visiting towns and patrons.

Parks and Recreation has been a part of the Adopt a Highway program since 2015. We are in charge of a section on Route 103 in Warner, from Exit 7 to Farrell Loop. We thank all the volunteers that have helped keep this up.

Thank you to all the families, workers and volunteers that take the time to lend a hand and support us.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Apryl Blood, Corey Heiligmann, Ronnie Byrson,  
Tim Blagden, Griffin Manning, Mark Allen*

*Parks and Recreation (cont.)*

Estimated Park Use & Sports Statistics

<b>Sport/Use</b>	<b>Players Registered</b>	<b>Park</b>	<b>Est. Patrons Game Day</b>	<b>Parking Lot Under Capacity</b>	<b>Parking Lot Over Capacity</b>
WYSA Softball	34	Riverside	200	X	
WYSA Baseball	53	Riverside	200	X	
Spring Soccer	41	Riverside	200	X	
Fall Soccer	112	Bagley	336	X	
Co-Ed Adult Softball	264+/-	Riverside	792		X
Kearsarge Rugby	15 +/-	Bagley	20+/- (day)	X	
Kearsarge Football	63	Riverside	500		X
Kearsarge Cheerleaders	17	Riverside	500		X
Ice Skating Rink	N/A	Bagley	50+/- (week)	X	
Bike Trail	N/A	Bagley	40+/- (week)	X	
Frisbee	N/A	Bagley & Riverside	10+/- (week)	X	
Old School PE	N/A	Bagley & Riverside	20+/- (week)	X	
General Use	N/A	Bagley	100+/- (week)	X	
General Use	N/A	Riverside	100+/- (week)	X	

WYSA - Warner Youth Sports Association

## *Trustees of Town Cemeteries*

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The Trustees of the Town Cemeteries continued the responsibilities of maintaining the Warner cemeteries in 2016, honoring and respecting those who came before us.

A special thank you to Gary Young and Lane Monroe for their dedicated and careful work in preserving our cemeteries. Gary continues to work on the restoration of broken and toppled headstones, returning such stones to their dignified positions.

The Trustees also thank the American Legion Post #39 for their annual replacement of American flags prior to Memorial Day on all the veteran's graves in every Warner cemetery. The Legion also includes the assistance of the 4th grade students from Simonds Elementary School to aid in their flag replacement project at Pine Grove Cemetery. In addition, every Christmas the Legion has placed wreaths at the entrance of Pine Grove and New Waterloo cemeteries.

The Trustees wish to remind Warner residents that cemetery lots are available for purchase only at the New Waterloo Cemetery. Below is a copy of the purchase form that can be completed and returned, with payment, to the Town Clerk's Office.

Thank you also to the residents and friends of Warner on their interest and support for our town's cemeteries.

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

### **How to Purchase a Cemetery Lot in Warner, NH**

The Town of Warner has available for purchase to Warner residents cemetery lots at the New Waterloo Cemetery. All other cemeteries are closed.

The cost of a lot is \$50.00 plus \$200.00 for maintenance. One lot allows for 4 full casket burials, or 16 cremations, or a combination of the two. Once you have made a decision, contact Cemetery Trustee Gerald Courser at 456-3521 for a tour of the cemetery to determine the location. He will provide the paperwork, and once signed, he will deliver the paperwork and your personal check payable to the "Town of Warner" to the Selectmen's office, who will in turn create the deed for the Selectmen to sign. The deed is then turned over to the Town Clerk for the Clerk's seal and signature. It is then returned to the Selectmen's office, and they will mail the deed to you.

## *Warner Historical Society*

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The Warner Historical Society began 2016 with another ambitious calendar of projects and events. With the steadfast efforts of a hard working Board of Directors, with an Executive Director who is the envy of organizations around the state of New Hampshire, with a solid crew of volunteers and dedicated members, and with generous donations from area businesses, we achieved our goals for the year and again ended 2016 with a balanced budget.

Some notable successes included:

1. A banner year for our Barn Sale which took in 145% of projected revenue. Thank you to all our merchandise donors and to our bargain hunting patrons.
2. Increased attendance at the Tory Hill Author Series along with visitors to the Upton Chandler House Museum exhibit "Celebrating Warner's Agricultural History: 1760-2016".
3. Numerous donors came forward with items of significance to Warner's history for our permanent collection.
4. Several large building maintenance projects were completed. Failing roof shingles on the Upton Chandler House Museum were replaced and insulation was installed in the attic floor of the Main Street House. Important smaller projects were also undertaken to ensure the continued health of our properties.
5. Successful collaborations with other area organizations included Maple Weekend breakfasts at the United Church of Warner and sugar house tours in March, Spring Into Warner in May, the U.S.S. Kearsarge crew visit in August, and the December Holiday Shopping Tour.
6. We continue to have good success with our publications which includes Mount Kearsarge History, Stories, Legends, and Folktales by Larry Sullivan with original artwork by Mimi Wiggin along with WHS merchandise with our Kearsarge Mountain logo.

We are of course busy with plans for 2017. An expansive commemoration of the World War I era will include exhibits and programs at historical societies and libraries throughout the region. The collaboration is titled "Over There, Over Here: World War I and Life in New Hampshire Communities". Keep an eye on the website [www.overthereoverhere.com](http://www.overthereoverhere.com) for updates on all the events. Visiting [www.warnerhistorical.org](http://www.warnerhistorical.org), [www.toryhillauthorseries.com](http://www.toryhillauthorseries.com) or [www.facebook.com/warnerhistoricalsociety](http://www.facebook.com/warnerhistoricalsociety) will keep you up to date on all of our activities.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Ralph Elwell, President*

## *Boston Post Cane*

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Joyce Good - 30th Recipient of the Bost Post Cane  
Picture provided by Barbara Lassonde

Joyce Good was Warner's 30th recipient of the Boston Post Cane. Seventeen men and now thirteen women will have received the cane since it was first awarded. Some recipients have declined the cane - perhaps looking at it as some type of curse. Others have refused the cane as they did not want everyone in town to know how old they were. Lucky for us, Joyce Good, age 95, was thrilled and honored when told about her opportunity to be the holder of Warner's Boston Post Cane.

Joyce was born February 23, 1921 in Elgin, Illinois. After graduation from high school she worked as a telephone switchboard operator in Michigan. It was while working at the switchboard she learned of the decision by the United States to declare war on Japan. She married Walter Good in October, 1942. They had two children, Ginny and a younger son, Terry. Joyce worked as a homemaker but was always involved in local community and school endeavors. Upon retirement, the Goods moved from Bethesda, Maryland to Port Richey, Florida. Walter passed away in 2002, a few months' shy of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Joyce moved to Warner in 2006, and resided next door to her daughter and son-in-law, Ginny and John Warner, on School Street. Not one to let grass grow under her feet, Joyce became involved in several organizations. She is a member of the Warner Historical Society and has volunteered in the Barn Sale book loft. One of her favorite volunteer activities was assisting with mailings for the Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum. She exercised weekly with the Senior Exercise class at the Warner Town Hall. Joyce visited the Warner Senior room at the Community Action Program (CAP) building, playing cards and working on jigsaw puzzles. She attended Mountain View Senior Center in Bradford and went on day trips, attended movies and participated in many of the center's activities.

It is with great pleasure that the members of the Warner Board of Selectmen presented the Boston Post Cane to Joyce Good on November 19, 2016!



Since its beginning, MainStreet Warner, Inc. has worked to broaden the availability of arts and education for the Town of Warner, to promote literacy, and to strengthen its downtown business district. The Jim Mitchell Community Park officially opened on 10/10/10 and the amphitheater and MainStreet Warner Stage opened in 2013, bringing FREE music and entertainment to all. The mission assures the park will always be open and fully accessible to all. Built from monetary donations of all amounts, donated time from carpenters, contractors, and consultants, and countless volunteer hours from so many, it is funded entirely through individual donations and grants, not through any town taxes. Proud to be the first “green” fully self-sustainable park in the Northeast, its electricity is provided through solar panels, and its irrigation is provided from a rain-water collection system. The park provides the Main Stage for the Warner Fall Foliage Festival. In the last three years, thousands of people have enjoyed over 100 events of music, theater, dance, authors, and farmers’ markets.

**The Jim Mitchell Scholarship:**

Since 2008, 27 high school seniors from Warner heading to college have been awarded scholarships, chosen for their positive impact and active citizenship in Warner. Funded through individual donations and the volunteer-run Annual MSW Used Book Sale, over \$10,000 has been awarded.

**The MainStreet Warner Literacy Project:**

This project brings a well-known, regional children’s author into Simonds School for an afternoon of learning about writing, illustrating and publishing. At the end of the presentation each child receives a signed hardcover book from the author. It also awards the Jim Mitchell Local Hero Award annually during the Simonds School end-of-year Davis Awards. Selected by their teachers for consistently showing compassion and kindness towards others, one boy and one girl receive the 50th Anniversary edition of *To Kill A Mockingbird* by Harper Lee. Simonds School families, teachers and staff celebrate the Davis Awards in the amphitheater and on The MainStreet Warner Stage.

The Board of Directors wishes to thank the many who have contributed so generously in making this dream for the Town of Warner a reality. We encourage you to join us in spending time picnicking, relaxing, and enjoying the many free events in the park.

Please mark your calendars for May 13, and join us to help raise funds through the Annual Live Auction, held in the Jim Mitchell Community Park. Learn more at [www.mainstreetwarnerinc.org](http://www.mainstreetwarnerinc.org)



Lake Sunapee Region VNA & HOSPICE

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Dear Friends:

On behalf of the staff and volunteers of Lake Sunapee Region VNA & Hospice (LSRVNA), thank you for the opportunity to provide home health and hospice services, personal care and community health programs in Warner. Our Mission *to provide care for individuals and families in home and community settings and enable people to stay in their homes for as long as possible* is at the heart of all we do and stronger than ever: in 2016 we acquired the staff and services of Connecticut Valley Home Care (formerly a division of Valley Regional Health Care), further expanding our service area and the number of residents needing our services. Even with this growth our Board of Directors remains committed, to the best of our ability, to serve those in need regardless of insurance coverage or financial circumstances. I am proud to report that, for the 12-month period ending September 30, 2016, LSRVNA served Warner in the following ways:

1. Provided 316 hours of nursing, therapy and in-home supportive care to 22 residents;
2. Provided free or reduced fee in-home nursing, therapy and social work visits to residents. Visits were also provided under various Medicaid programs (NH Medicaid reimburses at less than 60% of visit costs);
3. Residents receive visits through our hospice program and were able to spend their last days at home. Their families are provided 14 months of bereavement support and counseling after the death of their loved, at no cost;

Over 135 residents utilized our foot care, flu and blood pressure clinics as well as parent child, bereavement and other support groups.

Our talented staff are dedicated not only to individual health and well-being, but to fostering community support and involvement which empowers residents to help their friends and neighbors. Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is any way we may be of service to you, your loved ones or your Town's residents. Our vision to be the leading provider of home care services in the region, to be the best place to work and volunteer, and to remain an adaptive and enduring presence is only possible with support and confidence such as yours. Thank you.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jim Culhane  
President & CEO*

## *Central NH Regional Planning Commission*

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

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

In 2016, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission undertook the following local and region-wide activities:

- Provided technical assistance services for member communities, including zoning ordinance development, grant writing assistance, plan review services, local master plan development, capital improvements program (CIP) development and guidance, and Planning Board process training.
- Provided Hazard Mitigation Plan update development assistance to eight (8) community Hazard Mitigation Committees and provided information to inquiring communities about future update opportunities.
- Provided continued assistance to the Warner River Nomination Committee, including representatives from Bradford, Warner, Sutton, Webster, and Hopkinton, related to the possible future nomination of the Warner River into the NH Rivers Management and Protection Program.
- Assisted the Currier and Ives Byway with its member towns of Henniker, Hopkinton, Webster, Warner, and Salisbury. In 2016, the Council initiated work to extend the byway in Warner and continued to meet quarterly to support its efforts in public outreach to promote the Byway.
- Continued the support of the CNHRPC Regional Brownfields Program through funding from the United States Environmental Protection Agency. In 2016, site assessments were initiated in four communities and additional sites were identified for future assessments. For more information on brownfields and the CNHRPC Brownfields Program please go to [www.cnhrpc.org/cnhrpc-brownfields-program](http://www.cnhrpc.org/cnhrpc-brownfields-program).
- Initiated the update of the 2014 Central/Southern New Hampshire Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The CEDS is a comprehensive economic development strategy for the 20-community CNHRPC region, plus six communities within the Southern New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission region (Bedford, Goffstown, Hooksett, New Boston,

## *Central NH Regional Planning Commission (cont.)*

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Manchester and Weare). Its purpose is to present various economic and demographic data and to identify common strengths and weaknesses, as well as projects and strategies to strengthen the local economy.

- Coordinated the activities of the CNHRPC Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). Barbara Annis (TAC Chair) is the Town's TAC representative. In 2016, CNHRPC held seven TAC meetings, ranked the region's Transportation Alternative Program projects and initiated the Transportation Improvement Program Update.
- Completed over 250 traffic counts in the region as part of its annual Transportation Data Collection Program. In Warner, CNHRPC conducted 18 traffic counts along state and local roads.
- Assisted five communities with the preparation of Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant applications for pedestrian and bicycle improvement projects.
- Continued to support an enhanced volunteer driver program (VDP) in our region that was established in November 2011 through CNHRPC's 2010 Coordinated Transportation Plan efforts. In 2016, the VDP provided over 5,000 rides to seniors and people with disabilities for essential medical appointments and vital services that help the residents of our region remain independent. The goal of the planning effort was to reduce transportation costs for those in need while increasing coordination between existing transportation providers.
- CNHRPC provided assistance to the Regional Trails Coordinating Council, a coalition of local rail trail and shared-use path groups in the Salem-Manchester-Concord corridor. In 2016, the group worked on further engaging communities that have made less progress in advancing their trails, and has begun to work on updates to the 2012 Regional Trails Plan. It has also continued implementing tasks recommended in the Regional Trails Plan. CNHRPC also assisted with awareness and outreach activities such as distributing trail marker signs, developing and maintaining interactive maps for the public, developing a Granite State Rail Trail Facebook page and other activities to promote the use and development of rail trails in the region.
- Provided assistance to NH Department of Transportation's (NHDOT) Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Advisory Committee (BPTAC), advising NHDOT on bicycle and pedestrian related matters. BPTAC activities included various projects such as level of traffic stress analysis, lane striping policies, and the development of a statewide bicycle and pedestrian traffic counting program.

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

## *Currier & Ives Scenic Byway*

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

In 2016, the Scenic Byway Council continued its efforts in public outreach and promoting awareness and appreciation of the Currier & Ives Scenic Byway among residents and visitors alike. The Council continues to build organizational capacity and is thankful of its dedicated volunteers who participate as Council members in the quarterly meetings, annual Byway event, and other projects.

The third annual Currier & Ives Byway Open House was held in November 2016 at MainStreet BookEnds of Warner. The successful event was attended by many area businesses, local Chamber of Commerce representatives, Select Board members, and residents who gathered to celebrate and show support for the Byway. The Currier & Ives Byway is a local resource for attracting visitors and area residents to travel the byway and enjoy its many small businesses, recreation opportunities, and scenic landscapes.

The Byway Council is currently seeking designation of an extension that would follow Route 103 into downtown Warner and up Kearsarge Mountain Road to the Rollins State Park toll gate. This extension would incorporate Warner's downtown shops and businesses and recreational opportunities at Rollins State Park. A public hearing regarding the nomination application will be held in spring 2017.

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

Please contact your Byway Council representatives if you are interested in learning more. The Town of Warner Byway Council Representatives are Clyde Carson . Central NH Regional Planning Commission provides administrative support to the Byway Council and can be reached at [cnhrpc@cnhrpc.org](mailto:cnhrpc@cnhrpc.org).

**Town Warrant  
for the Town of Warner, New Hampshire  
Tuesday, March 8, 2016**

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Warner Town Hall in said Warner, NH on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 beginning at eight o'clock in the morning, and ending at seven o'clock in the evening to elect officers of the Town by official ballot and to act upon the following subjects:

**ARTICLE 1:** To choose Town Officers for the ensuing year:

Note: \* = Winner in contested race

Almoner of the Foster & Currier Fund 1 for 3 Years

416 Darryl Parker

Supervisor of the Checklist 1 for 6 Years

484 Kathy Carson

Budget Committee 2 for 3 Years

281 Martha Bodnarik

301 \*Michael Cutting

293 \*Jonathan Lord

Trustee of Pillsbury Library 3 for 3 Years

426 Michelle Allen

438 Kathy Carson

408 Anastasia Glavas

Chandler Reservation 1 for 4 Years

484 Stephen Hall

Trustee of Town Cemeteries 2 for 3 Years

455 Mary Cogswell

429 Donald Wheeler

Moderator 1 for 2 Years

502 Ray Martin

Trustee of Trust Funds 1 for 3 Years

456 Dale Trombley

Selectman 1 for 3 Years  
170 Peter Anderson  
120 Kimberley Edelmann  
246 \*John Dabuliewicz

**ARTICLE 2: ZONING** **YES: 391 NO: 139**

Amend Article XII Sign Requirements by reducing the number and types of temporary signs that require a permit, eliminating certain flags from regulation, clarifying certain items by rewording, and allowing signs painted directly on a building; and further to make the ordinance consistent with a recent decision of the U.S. Supreme Court by revising the purpose and creating content neutral sign requirements

**KRSD Ballot – Results in Warner**

Question 1: 284 - A: \$40,896,661, School Board Budget  
183 - B: \$40,896,661, Municipal Budget Committee Budget  
Question 2: YES: 292 - NO: 237 Educators Assoc Bargaining Agreement  
Question 3: YES: 377 - NO: 155 Special Education Exp Trust Fund  
Question 4: YES: 382 - NO: 152 School Bldgs Maintenance Fund  
Moderator: 484 Scheffy, Brackett L  
Municipal Budget Committee: 450 Anderson, Peter

**ADJOURN TO WEDNESDAY MARCH 09, 2016 @ 7:00 PM  
WARNER TOWN HALL**

Moderator Ray Martin opened the Warner Annual Town Meeting at 7:00 PM, Wednesday, March 09, 2016. He introduced himself, the audience stood in silence for a moment in honor of our service men and women then recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Moderator called on Selectman David Hartman to speak to the Dedication of the 2015 Town Report.

Selectman Carson said Selectman Hartman has been a tireless Selectman and was “retiring” after 11 years.

The Moderator also thanked Selectman Hartman. He then announced the results of the previous day’s voting. (Reported at the start of these minutes)

Moderator explained the meeting rules: 10 minutes for initial presentation, 3 minutes thereafter, state name and use a microphone, speak to the Moderator and not the audience, confine comments to the question, maintain a civil tone, wait your turn, a paper ballot request requires 5 sponsors and applies only to that question, Moderator will read the article, ask for a ‘motion’ and a ‘second’ to put the article on the floor and when everyone who wishes has spoken someone who already spoke may speak again.

**Article 3 - Presented as follows, Amended during discussion, Amended Article 3 Failed:**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the total sum of \$392,400.00 (Three Hundred Ninety Two Thousand Four Hundred Dollars) to construct a municipal solar panel array on town land near the Transfer Station, of this amount, \$75,000.00 (Sev-

enty Five Thousand Dollars) is to come as a rebate from the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) for the first loan payment raised through taxation and the remaining balance of \$307,400 (Three Hundred Seven Thousand Four Hundred Dollars) to come from a combination of a grant from the Rural Development Office of the US Dept. of Agriculture and other long term financing? Furthermore, to authorize the issuance of up to \$307,400 (Three Hundred Seven Thousand Four Hundred Dollars) of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33), and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; as well as apply for, obtain and accept federal, state grants or other forms of aid and assistance which may be available for said project. It is estimated that the town will realize a net savings in the costs of electric power after loan payments starting in the first full year of power generation from the solar array. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 6-2). (2/3 Majority vote required.)

Article read by the Moderator. Motion made to move the article. Motion seconded. Moderator said 2/3 majority vote was needed to pass Article 3 and voting would stay open for 1 hour when it starts.

Selectman Carson and member of the Energy Committee, addressed Article 3 (Information projected onto the screen on the Town Hall stage). George Harrock, Harmony Energy Works President, provided information about his company and responded to information in a citizen handout available before the meeting began.

Selectmen Carson presented a breakdown of the anticipated cost of the Array and showed a picture from Google Earth of the location of the proposed Solar Array at the Transfer Station area. He said an Eversource equipment charge is included in Article 3 however an inspection of the site determined that an extensive equipment upgrade was not necessary and the actual charge will be closer to \$2,500 and not \$30,000.

Motion to amend Article 3 made by Selectman Carson: To reduce the total cost of the Solar Array project by \$27,500. Moderator read Article 3 with amendment: (amended amount in italics and underlined).

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the total sum of *\$364,900.00 (Three Hundred Sixty Four Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars)* to construct a municipal solar panel array on town land near the transfer station, of this amount, \$75,000.00 (Seventy Five Thousand Dollars) is to come as a rebate from the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), \$10,000 (Ten Thousand Dollars) for the first loan payment raised through taxation and the remaining balance of *\$279,900 (Two Hundred Seven Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars)* to come from a combination of a grant from the Rural Development Office of the US Dept. of Agriculture and other long term financing? Furthermore, to authorize the issuance of up to *\$279,900 (Two Hundred Seven Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars)* of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33), and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon; as well as apply for, obtain and accept federal, state grants or other forms of aid and assistance which may be available for said project. It is estimated that the town will realize a net

savings in the costs of electric power after loan payments starting in the first full year of power generation from the solar array.

Motion made to move the article. Motion seconded. Moderator said discussion will address the amendment. Discussion followed.

Motion made by Richard Cook to move the question on the amendment. Second made. Moderator called for a voice vote on the amendment. All in favor. Amendment to Article 3 passed. Moderator asked for discussion on Article 3 as amended. Discussion followed. Motion made by a voter to move the question. Second made. Moderator recognized 2 speakers. Moderator called for a voice vote to move the question. Majority in favor. Question moved.

Moderator explained the paper ballot vote is on Article 3 as amended, requires a 2/3 majority, the white "Yes/No" paper ballots will be used and voting will remain open for 1 hour – until 9:10 PM. Voting results for amended Article 3: YES - 139 NO – 77, amended Article 3 failed.

**Article 4**

**Passed**

Shall the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a "lease to purchase" agreement in the amount of \$299,251 (Two Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand, Two Hundred Fifty One Dollars) payable over a term of seven (7) years for a new highway grader? Furthermore, to raise and appropriate the sum of \$42,750 (Forty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars) for the first annual (2016) payment for this lease agreement? The annual lease payments for the seven-year lease will be \$42,750 (Forty Two Thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars) and will be included in the annual operating budget for the Public Works Dept. Upon conclusion of this lease agreement the Town takes full ownership of the grader for \$1.00 (One Dollar). (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen, Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0) (2/3 Majority vote required)

Article read by the Moderator. Motion made to move the article. Motion seconded. Moderator said the current balance for the Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund = \$82,279, 2/3 majority vote was needed to pass Article 4 and voting would stay open for 1 hour when it starts.

Moderator introduced Tim Allen, Director of Public Works, to speak. Mr. Allen presented. Discussion followed.

Motion made to move the question. Second made. Voice vote. Majority in favor. Moderator read Article 4, said the paper ballot vote is on the article as read, requires a 2/3 majority, the green "Yes/No" paper ballots will be used and voting will remain open for 1 hour – until 9:28 PM. Voting results for Article 4: Lease a Grader: 182- YES 15-NO

**Article 5**

**Passed**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,026,049.00 (Three Million, Twenty Six Thousand, Forty Nine Dollars) as the 2016 Operating Budget for general

municipal operations? This amount does not include appropriations contained in special and individual warrant articles addressed separately. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7-1). (Majority vote required.)

Article read by the Moderator. Motion made to move the article. Motion seconded. Michael Cutting, Budget Committee Chairman, presented. Discussion followed.

Motion to call the question made by Rebecca Courser. Second made. Moderator said he would recognize 2 speakers first. Moderator read Article 5. Called for a voice vote. All in favor. Article 5 passed.

**Article 6**

**Passed**

Shall the Town raise and appropriate the amount of \$735,000 (Seven Hundred Thirty Five Thousand Dollars) for the construction of the Roundabout on Route 103 near Exit 9 on I-89, of which \$490,245 (Four Hundred Ninety Thousand Two Hundred Forty Five Dollars), which represents two thirds (2/3) of the construction cost and \$114,000 (One Hundred Fourteen Thousand Dollars) which represents two thirds (2/3) of the design costs, will be reimbursed by the NH Department of Transportation; \$45,000 (Forty Five Thousand Dollars) will come from the Exit 9 Improvements Capital Reserve Fund and \$85,755 (Eighty Five Thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty Five Dollars) will come from the unassigned fund balance? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required)

Moderator read Article 5. Motion made to move the article. Motion seconded. Moderator stated that the Exit 9 Improvements Capital Reserve Fund balance = \$55,635 before calling upon Jim Bingham, Town Administrator, to present Article 6. Discussion followed.

Motion made for a paper ballot by James Gaffney. 5 voters in support. Further discussion followed.

Motion to move the question made by Stephen Hall. Moderator said he recognized other speakers before the motion and would allow their comments first. After allowing additional comments, Moderator asked people to come forward to vote “Yes” or “No” using the “yellow” paper ballot in their packet on Article 6. Voting results for Article 6, Roundabout: 98-YES 89-NO

Moderator recognized 1 hour had passed and closed voting for Article 3, Solar Array. He announced the results: YES - 139 NO – 77, amended Article 3 Failed.

Motion made by Neil Nevins, who voted in support of Article 3, to reconsider Article 3. Second was made. Moderator explained that if the motion to reconsider Article 3 passes then a ballot vote, open for 1 hour and a 2/3 majority will be required again. Nancy Martin asked how many votes were needed to pass Article 3. Moderator said 144 yes votes were needed for a 2/3 Majority. (216 voters in attendance) Discussion followed.

Motion made by Penny Courser to move the question. Moderator said he recognized one speaker

Moderator asked for a voice vote to reconsider Article 3. Result was unclear. Moderator called for a show of ballots: YES - 69 NO – 67. Moderator said that was to close and called for a paper ballot using the red ballot. Voting results to reconsider Article 3. YES - 77 NO - 85. Motion to reconsider Article 3 failed.

A motion was made to restrict reconsideration on Article 3. Motion seconded. Moderator explained that voting in favor to restrict reconsideration meant the article restricted can not be brought forward for another vote until 7 days from today in a properly warned meeting. Moderator called for a voice vote. Majority in favor. Motion to restrict reconsideration on Article 3 passed.

Motion made by Michael Cutting to restrict reconsideration on Articles 4, 5 and 6. Second was made. Moderator asked for a voice vote on the motion to restrict: Majority in favor. Motion to restrict reconsideration on Articles 4, 5 and 6 passed.

Moderator suggested that if voters were in agreement, Article 7 and 8 could be addressed together since both were asking to raise and appropriate funds for on going Capital Reserve Funds and have come before voters yearly at Town Meetings. A voice vote was taken. All in favor.

**Article 7** **Passed**  
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established property revaluation capital Reserve fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 8** **Passed**  
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000.00 (Fifteen Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Police Department vehicle Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required.)

Moderator read articles 7 and 8. Motion made to move the article. Motion seconded. Moderator called for discussion. Hearing none, he called for a voice vote. Majority in favor. Article 7 passed and Article 8 passed.

**Article 9** **Passed**  
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100,000.00 (One Hundred Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established New Fire Station Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 5-3). (Majority vote required.)

Moderator read Article 9. Motion made to move the article. Motion seconded. Discussion followed. Motion made by Lydia Harmon to move the question. Moderator recognized 1 speaker. Seeing no further discussion, question was moved, Moderator read

Article 9 and said the current balance in the New Fire Station Capital Reserve Fund was \$164,000. A voice vote was called. All in favor. Article 9 passed

James Gaffney made a motion to restrict reconsideration on Article 9. Motion seconded. Moderator called for a voice vote. All in favor. Motion to restrict reconsideration on Article 9 passed.

Moderator told voters the following articles were asking to place money in Capital Reserve Funds and have all been approved by the Budget Committee 8-0. He said if voters were in agreement then Articles 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 could all be combined and considered in one motion but discussed separately. Moderator called for a voice vote on his suggestion to take up Articles 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 together. Majority in favor. Articles 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 addressed as one article. Moderator read Articles 10, 11, 12, 13, 14:

**Article 10** **Passed**  
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,000.00 (Ninety Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Fire and Rescue Vehicle Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 11** **Passed**  
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Fire Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 12** **Passed**  
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Highway Road Construction Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 13** **Passed**  
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$110,000.00 (One Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Highway Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article -14** **Passed**  
Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Bridge Repair/Replacement Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required.)

Cathy Creed asked for the current balance of the Capital Reserve Funds in Articles 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14. Moderator answered:

Article 10: Fire and Rescue Vehicle CRF balance = \$212,892 (Add \$90,000)  
Article 11: Fire Equipment CRF balance = \$14,872 (Add \$25,000)  
Article 12: Highway Road Construction CRF balance = \$107,576 (Add \$10,000)  
Article 13: Highway Equipment CRF Balance = \$82,279 (Add \$110,000)  
Article 14: Bridge Repair/Replacement CRF balance = \$119,769 (Add \$25,000)  
Hearing no discussion, Moderator called for a voice vote. All in favor. Articles 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 passed.

**Article 15**

**Passed**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 (Twenty Five Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Odd Fellows Building Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of hazard mitigation? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required.)

Moderator read Article 15. Motion made to Move the Article. Motion Seconded. Jim Bingham, Town Administrator, presented information on Article 15. Discussion followed.

Motion made by Martha Mical to move the question. Second was made. Hearing no further discussion, Moderator called for a voice vote. Moderator determined the majority was in favor. Article 15 passed

Moderator told voters 4 of the following 5 Articles were asking to place money in Capital Reserve Funds and all but one have been recommended by the Selectmen and by the Budget Committee (8-0), Article 18 recommended by the Selectmen and 7-1 by the Budget Committee. He said if voters were in agreement then those Articles could all be combined and considered in one motion but discussed separately. Moderator called for a voice vote on his suggestion to take up Articles 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 together. Majority in favor. Articles 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 addressed as one article. Moderator read Articles 16 – 20:

**Article 16**

**Passed**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$40,000.00 (Forty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Town Hall Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 17**

**Passed**

Shall the Town vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund for the preservation of Town Records under the provisions of RSA 35:1 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be placed in this fund? Furthermore, to name the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend from said Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required).

**Article 18**

**Passed**

Shall the Town vote to establish a contingency fund for the current year for unanticipated expenses that may arise and further to raise and appropriate the amount of \$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars) to be placed into the fund? This sum is to come from the General Fund. Any appropriation left in the fund at the end of the year will lapse to the General Fund. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 7-1). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 19**

**Passed**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$30,000 (Thirty Thousand Dollars) to be added to the previously established Transfer Station Equipment Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required.)

**Article 20**

**Passed**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the previously established Library Building Capital Reserve Fund? (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Recommended by the Budget Committee, 8-0). (Majority vote required.)

Motion made to move Articles 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20. Second. Moderator called for discussion. Hearing none, Moderator called for a voice vote on Articles 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20. Majority in favor. Articles 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 passed.

**Article 21**

**Passed**

Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 (Five Thousand Dollars) to be placed in the previously established Conservation Commission Fund? This Fund is used to pay for expenses related to conserving property in town including acquiring conservation easements on land. (Recommended by the Board of Selectmen; Not recommended by the Budget Committee, 6-2). (Majority vote required.)

Moderator read Article 21. Motion made to move the article. Motion seconded. John Dabuliewicz explained Article 21. Discussion followed. Motion made to move the question by Martha Mical. Moderator recognized 1 speaker. Moderator called for a voice vote on Article 21. He declared majority in favor. Article 21 passed.

**Article 22**

**Passed**

Shall the Town vote to adopt provisions of RSA 36-A: 4-a, I (b) to authorize the Warner Conservation Commission to expend funds for contributions to “qualified organizations” for the purchase of property interests, or facilitating transactions related thereto, where the property interest is to be held by the qualified organization and the town will retain no interest in the property? (Submitted by the Board of Selectmen) (Majority vote required.)

Moderator read Article 22. Motion made to move the article. Motion seconded. John Dabuliewicz explained Article 22. Discussion followed. Hearing no further discussion, Moderator called for a voice vote on Article 22. Majority in Favor. Article 22 passed.

Motion made by Andrew Bodnarik to restrict reconsideration on Articles 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22. Second made. Moderator called for a voice vote. Majority in favor. Motion to restrict Articles 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 passed.

Moderator asked to hear from Charles Albano, resident who submitted the petition for Article 23. Mr. Albano was not heard from. Moderator said earlier in the evening Mr. Albano stated his request to withdraw the petition and pass over Article 23 based on his support of the open and more transparent process the Selectmen are following in the actions being taken to locate and purchase a site for a new Fire Station.

**Article 23**

**Passed Over**

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the submitted petition to amend Article 12 of the 2015 Town Warrant? The amendment states the following tasks are to be undertaken as part of the process of vetting and purchasing a site for the new fire station:

1. Do not purchase property or pay for architectural designs until the State of New Hampshire and the Town of Warner Planning Board approves the driveway to the proposed property.
2. Do not purchase the property until permitting requirements regarding the construction of a new fire station over the town's aquifer are clarified and resolved.
3. Secure three (3) signed appraisals of the proposed property to be purchased.
4. Secure three (3) written bids from architectural design firms to design a new fire station based on specific building specifications and secure three (3) cost estimates to construct the station.
5. Provide an estimated cost of interest to "bond" the construction of a new fire station.
6. Site selection, expenditures to purchase the land, and expenditures for architectural design for the new fire station shall need prior approval by a majority vote of the legal residents of the Town of Warner attending a special town meeting.
7. Hold a minimum of 2 public hearings addressing all of the above issues and be open to the discussion of alternative sites. (Submitted by Petition) (Not recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Majority vote required).

**Article 24**

**Failed**

To see if the Town will vote to rescind the requirement in amended Article 9 passed at the 2011 Town Meeting for the Board of Selectmen to hold a duly noticed public hearing prior to any expenditure of funds from the Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Road Construction? All other aspects of Article 9 will remain in effect. (Submitted & Recommended by the Board of Selectmen). (Majority vote required.)

Moderator read Article 24. Motion made to move the article. Motion seconded.

Moderator read an amendment presented by the Selectmen to Article 24: Amend Article 24 by striking out and inserting in its place an amendment to the 2011 Article 9 after the words, "what the money will be used for" at the end of the third sentence. The following new sentence will be: If a Road construction project that has already been heard encounters an unexpected or unforeseen situation that would involve additional construction costs before the overall project is completed the Selectmen may approve additional expenditures from the Capital Reserve Funds if the funds are available and

if it is deemed more efficient and more effective to incur the additional cost at the time as part of the overall project.

2011 Amended Article 9: Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$225,000 to be added to the already established Highway Road Construction Capital Reserve Fund. Of that sum \$100,000 will come from the General Fund Balance with \$125,000 raised by taxation. Prior to any expenditure of these funds authorization the Board of Selectmen will hold a duly publicized Public Hearing to fully explain what the money will be used for. If a Road construction project that has already been heard encounters an unexpected or unforeseen situation that would involve additional construction costs before the overall project is completed the Selectmen may approve additional expenditures from the Capital Reserve Funds if the funds are available and if it is deemed more efficient and more effective to incur the additional cost at the time as part of the overall project. Additionally all funds expended shall be included in a report that is available to the public and included in the next years Town Report. This shall remain in force until rescinded. Motion Made to Move the Amendment. Second made. Selectman David Hartman presented. Discussion followed.

Motion made to move the question on the amendment. Second. Hearing no further discussion, Moderator asked if he needed to re read the Article and Amendment. Majority answered, "No". Moderator called for a voice vote on the amendment to Article 24. Majority against. Amendment to Article 24 failed. Moderator read Article 24 as originally presented:

**Article 24**

To see if the town will vote to rescind the requirement in amended Article 9 passed at the 2011 Town Meeting for the Board of Selectmen to hold a duly noticed public hearing prior to any expenditure of funds from the Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Road Construction? All other aspects of Article 9 will remain in effect. (Submitted & Recommended by the Board of Selectmen). (Majority vote required.)

Moderator said the previous vote was on the amendment to Article 24 and because it failed there will now be a vote on Article 24 as originally presented. He explained that a vote in agreement with Article 24 meant you were in favor of rescinding/eliminating the requirement for a Public Hearing before spending money from the Highway Road Construction Capital Reserve Fund and a vote in the negative meant you wanted to defeat Article 24.

Moderator called for a voice vote on Article 24 as originally presented. Moderator in doubt, paper ballot requested and supported by 5 voters. Moderator asked voters to use the Yes/No blue paper ballots. Voting result for Article 24 was a tie: YES – 34 NO – 34. Moderator ruled Article 24 defeated due to not receiving a majority of votes cast but said anyone could challenge the ruling. Ruling stood unchallenged. Motion made by Lydia Harmon to restrict reconsideration on Article 24. Second. Moderator called for a voice vote on the motion. Majority in favor. Motion to restrict reconsideration on Article 24 passed.

**Article 25**

**Passed**

To see if the Town will vote to discontinue completely and absolutely the Class VI section of Mill Pond Lane and revert the land back to the abutting property owner of Map 16, Lot 37. This Class VI section begins 300 ft. from the beginning of the road, and traveling in a northeasterly direction for about 1200 ft. until the ROW terminates at Rte. 103. (Submitted & Recommended by the Board of Selectmen) (Majority vote required.)

Moderator read Article 25. Motion made to move the article. Motion seconded. Selectman Allan Brown explained, hearing no discussion, Moderator called for a voice vote on Article 25. Majority in favor. Article 25 passed.

**Article 26**

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

Motion made to adjourn. Second. Moderator called for a voice vote on the Motion. Majority in favor. Motion to adjourn passed. Meeting Adjourned at 11:46 PM.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Newman-Rogers  
Town Clerk*



Where Phil makes his liquid gold!

## *Resident Birth Report*

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<b>Date and Place of Birth</b>	<b>Child's Name</b>	<b>Father's Name Mother's Name</b>
01/04/2016 Concord, NH	Gideon Maynard Elwell	William Elwell Emma O'Connell-Fauteaux
01/18/2016 Warner, NH	Noah John O'Connor	Nicholas O'Connor Rebecca O'Connor
01/28/2016 Concord, NH	Patrick Tucker Frady	Brian Frady Catrina Greene
04/26/2016 Concord, NH	Harrison Robert Salera	Anthony Salera Elizabeth Falicon
05/08/2016 Concord, NH	Isabelle Grace Giles	William Giles Laura-Lee Giles
05/23/2016 Concord, NH	Warner Lee Wood	Barry Wood, Jr. Nicole Barton
06/18/2016 Concord, NH	Jocelyn Elizabeth Ruddy	Richard Ruddy Kathryn Ruddy
06/18/2016 Concord, NH	Cohen Wayne Stock	Tyler Stock Rebecca Dubreuil
06/20/2016 Concord, NH	Logan William Hayes	Dustin Hayes Caroline Hutchens
06/27/2016 Concord, NH	Olivia Lynn Paradie	Herbert Paradie III Heather Akins
07/23/2016 Concord, NH	Tobias Joseph Maurice Mueller	Andrew Mueller Aubrey Mueller

## *Resident Birth Report*

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<b>Date and Place of Birth</b>	<b>Child's Name</b>	<b>Father's Name Mother's Name</b>
09/15/2016 Concord, NH	Raelynne Dawn Foote	Michael Foote Katelyn Polonia
09/17/2016 Concord, NH	Brynnlee Andrea LaClair	Bradford LaClair Katrina King
10/17/2016 Nashua, NH	Ainsley Rose Xenakis	Andrew Xenakis Tracey Xenakis
11/22/2016 Concord, NH	Samuel James Boddington	Hugh Boddington Sarah Dornier
12/14/2016 Concord, NH	Vivian Cecilia Shampney	Randy Shampney, Jr Kalene O'Connor



## *Resident Death Report*

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<b>Date and Place of Death</b>	<b>Decedent's Name</b>	<b>Military</b>	<b>Father's Name Mother's Maiden Name</b>
02/05/2016 Concord, NH	Michael Sevigny	N	Normand Sevigny Gloria Hilliker
03/13/2016 Warner, NH	Louise Conroy	N	Roy Schweitzer Marie Kimble
04/02/2016 Concord, NH	Kathleen Cutter	N	Robert Thompson Philamina Kavinski
08/06/2016 Concord, NH	Chris Hatala	U	John Hatala Frances Denato
08/09/2016 Warner, NH	Marie O'Connor	N	Joseph Ottolino Lucille Bourque
08/21/2016 Concord, NH	Richard White	Y	Samuel White Millicent Fenner
08/21/2016 Warner, NH	Warner Young	Y	Will Young Lula Glass
08/21/2016 Concord, NH	Marie Deangelis	N	Louis Lombardo Adele Bennett
10/04/2016 Concord, NH	Alvin Mader	Y	Elmer Mader Laura Butz

*Resident Death Report (cont.)*

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<b>Date and Place of Death</b>	<b>Decedent's Name</b>	<b>Military</b>	<b>Father's Name Mother's Maiden Name</b>
10/16/2016 Warner, NH	Ruth Cloutier	N	Charles Hutchins Eleanor Knox
10/27/2016 Concord, NH	Robert Sanborn, Jr	Y	Robert Sanborn, Sr. Evelyn Blake
11/05/2016 Concord, NH	Alfred Moody	Y	Arden Moody Edna Wilson
11/09/2016 Concord, NH	Kenneth Marquis	N	Edouard Marquis Ann Infante
11/15/2016 Warner, NH	Ruth Gale	N	Douglas Taylor Louise Stoodley
12/05/2016 Warner, NH	Sylvia Ridley	N	Milton Deane Winnifred Tweedie
12/07/2016 Warner, NH	John Johnson	Y	John Johnson Eva Swanson
12/23/2016 Warner, NH	Victor Kumin	Y	Samuel Kumin Clara Montwid
12/31/2016 Concord, NH	Richard Fortune	N	Theodore Fortune Ula Jameson

## *Resident Marriage Report*

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<b>Date &amp; Place</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Residence</b>
01/23/2016 Concord, NH	Richard R Ruddy Kathryn M Mitchell	Warner, NH Warner, NH
03/28/2016 Concord, NH	Mark R Beaudry Kyla J Hamel	Warner, NH Warner, NH
04/26/2016 Andover, NH	James N MacNab Janice M Partridge	Warner, NH Warner, NH
05/20/2016 Concord, NH	Daryl W Dion Lisa J Bologna	Warner, NH Warner, NH
06/25/2016 Warner, NH	Christopher J Dayhoof Schuyler T VanBlommesteyn	Warner, NH Warner, NH
07/30/2016 Warner, NH	Matthew J Powell Rebecca M Gray	Contoocook, NH Warner, NH
08/07/2016 Dunbarton, NH	George R Stevens Margaret N Venator	Warner, NH Dunbarton, NH
08/14/2016 Sutton, NH	Andrew J Jackson Lacey S McCabe	Warner, NH Warner, NH
09/17/2016 Warner, NH	Derek E Tobin Kayla E Newell	Warner, NH Warner, NH
09/24/2016 Manchester, NH	Benjamin J Zogopoulos Annette G Maheu	Warner, NH Warner, NH
10/15/2016 Henniker, NH	Corey S Devincent Jilian J Lindamood	Warner, NH Warner, NH

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

*Warner Village Water  
District  
Annual Report  
2016*

**Commissioners**

Peter Newman 2017  
Daniel Lavoie 2018  
Peter F. Savlen, Jr. 2019

**Clerk**

James McLaughlin 2017

**Treasurer**

Christine Perkins 2017

**Deputy Treasurer**

Linda Hartman 2017

**Moderator**

Kathy Carson 2017

**Water Village District Staff**

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

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

**WARRANT OF THE WARNER VILLAGE WATER DISTRICT  
2017 ANNUAL MEETING  
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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

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

1. To choose one Commissioner for three years.
2. To choose a Clerk and a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Moderator for three years.
4. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred twenty-three thousand three hundred eighty-three dollars (\$423,383.00) for the operation, maintenance and improvement of the District's water and sewer systems. (Recommended by the District Commissioners and the Budget Committee).
5. To see if the District will vote to raise the District's water and sewer rates 5% from \$5.60 to \$5.88 per thousand gallons metered for water rates and from \$11.87 to \$12.46 per thousand gallons metered for sewer rates.
6. To hear the reports of the District Officers and Committees as printed in the Town Report for the preceding year and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To transact any other business that may legally come before the said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 13th day of February, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and seventeen.

Commissioners  
Peter E. Newman  
Peter F. Savlen, Jr.  
Daniel Lavoie

## *Warner Village Water District Commissioners' Report*

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2016 has been a busy year for the Water District. Steady improvements have been made to the wastewater treatment facilities and the water supply system to ensure that these critical services continue to be maintained

Well #1 was refurbished in January 2016. We continue to use both wells to supply drinking water to the District, although Well #1 has to be pumped at a slower pace because of sediment build-up at the base of the well. The Commissioners are investigating a new well or gravel packing the existing Well #1 to reduce the build up.

The Solar Array electric production project approved at the 2016 Annual Meeting has been constructed and has been in operation since July 1, 2016. The District has reaped immediate cost reduction benefits from the electric production of the array. The District is now considered a host for net metering and we have received our first rebate check from Eversource. Rebate checks will continue in months when our electric production exceeds the electric use at the water treatment plant. Also, the District is participating in a carbon credit program which allows the District to sell carbon credits on the existing market. The District expects to receive approximately \$5,000 per year for the sale of these credits. It is very early to assess the value of the array, but the net result so far is cash flow positive.

The District Warrant for the Annual Meeting in March does include a water and sewer rate increase of 5%. The District has not raised rates since 2010. Over the past five years the water usage and water treatment income has decreased due to several factors such as conservation by households and the decreasing household size. Unfortunately the District expenses have remained constant, resulting in the need for an increase in the rates. The rate increases will be voted on at the Annual Meeting on March 21, 2017.

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

As always, the Commissioners invite the public to attend their bimonthly meetings, held on the second and fourth Mondays at 9:00 AM at the Treatment Plant on Joppa Road.

The Commissioner's would like to thank Chuck Come, Superintendent, Stanley Hannum, Assistant and Ray Martin, Administrator, for all their hard work, dedication and constant attention to reducing costs.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Pete Newman, Chairman  
Peter Savlen, Commissioner  
Dan Lavoie, Commissioner*

*Warner Village Water District*

*Balance Sheet  
December 31, 2016*

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**ASSETS**

Cash on hand, December 31, 2016	\$	83,981
Accounts Receivable:		
Water/Sewer Rents	\$	21,382
Receivables-unbilled est.		44,750
Total Accounts Receivable		<u>66,132</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>150,113</u></b>

**LIABILITIES**

USDA RD Bond Clarifier	\$	331,979
Sugar River Bank-Truck		36,211
Sugar River Bank-Solar Array		278,226
USDA RD Bond Geneva St.		61,856
Sugar River Bond Latting Lane		<u>496,730</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>1,205,002</u></b>

**EXCESS OF ASSETS OVER LIABILITIES** **(1,054,889)**

**VALUE OF VILLAGE DISTRICT PROPERTY**  
**(per audit year end 12/31/2015)**

Plant Building	\$	598,760
Water/Sewer Mains		360,224
Plant Equipment		2,500,584
Land		54,700
Construction in progress		1,158,751
Less Accumulated Depreciation		<u>(1,913,242)</u>
Total	\$	2,759,777

*Warner Village Water District*

*Receipts & Payments*

*January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016*

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**SOURCES OF REVENUE:**

Property Taxes	\$ 107,125	
Water Supply Charges	94,352	
Sewer User Charges	179,130	
Service Charges	1,228	
Sale of Meters	2,048	
Interest on Investments	25	
Tie-in Fees	16,800	
Miscellaneous	1,197	
From Surplus	-	
From Bonds & Notes	320,172	
From Federal Grants	107,833	
From State Grants	75,000	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<u>904,910</u>	\$ 904,910

LESS TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>906,946</u>	
NET INCOME	(2,036)	
PLUS CASH ON HAND 12/31/15	<u>89,155</u>	
CASH ON HAND 12/31/16	<u>\$ 83,981</u>	

**EXPENDITURES**

**Administrative:**

Salaries	\$ 20,573	
Office Expense	7,859	
Audit	6,100	
Legal	75	
FICA/Medicare	10,335	
Employee Benefits	23,544	
Retirement	11,711	
Insurance	7,240	
Memberships/Education	270	
State Licenses/Fees	-	
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE</b>	<u>87,708</u>	\$ 87,708
<b>Contingency</b>	-	
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE + CONTINGENCY</b>	<u>\$ 87,708</u>	\$ 87,708

*Warner Village Water District*

*Water & Sewer Expense*

*January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016*

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**Water System:**

Salaries	\$	34,356	
Meters		-	
Building Materials & Repairs		1,496	
Miscellaneous		-	
Electricity - Storage Tanks		409	
Tools		491	
Electricity - Royce Well		7,392	
Propane - Pump House		27	
Chemicals		732	
System Maintenance		9,488	
Testing		270	
Water Systems Plus		12,957	
Repairs - Outside Contractors		14,104	
<b>TOTAL WATER</b>			\$ 81,721

**Sewer System:**

Salaries	\$	80,164	
Lab Expense		15,929	
Supplies		1,867	
Truck Gas		2,737	
Truck Maintenance		2,560	
Sewer Materials		1,467	
Equipment Repairs		13,135	
Uniforms		679	
Chlorine/Chemicals		7,861	
Electricity - Plant		13,966	
Safety Equipment		-	
Miscellaneous		342	
Tools		560	
Building Maint. & Repair		868	
Service - Outside Contractors		10,532	
Sludge Removal		12,181	
Electricity - Pump Station		1,074	
Maintenance - Pump Station		100	
Propane - Plant		1,772	
Testing - EPA/State		1,405	
<b>TOTAL SEWER</b>			\$ 169,199

*Warner Village Water District*

*Long Term Debt*

*January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016*

**Long & Short Term Debt:**

Bond Principal - Geneva	\$	4,759	
Bond Principal - Mill Street Project		4,057	
Bond Principal - Latting Lane		18,844	
Loan Principal - Clarifier		9,134	
Loan Principal - Solar Array		1,774	
Loan Principal-Truck		3,512	
Bond Interest - Geneva St.		2,998	
Bond Interest - Mill Street Project		40	
Bond Interest - Latting Lane		16,984	
Note Interest - Clarifier		9,318	
Note Interest - Solar Array		1,211	
Note Interest-Truck		684	
<b>TOTAL LONG TERM DEBT</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>73,315</b>	

<b>Machinery, Vehicles, Equipment</b>		-	
<b>New Construction</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>494,385</b>	
<b>System Improvements</b>		-	
<b>To Capital Reserve Fund</b>		-	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>906,328</b>	

*Warner Village Water District*

*Sources of Revenue*

*January 1, 2016 - December 31, 2016*

<b>Revenue Source</b>	<b>Budget 2016</b>	<b>Actual 2016</b>	<b>Estimated 2017</b>
Federal Grants	\$ 154,000	\$ 182,833	\$ -
Water Supply System Charges	106,000	94,352	104,600
Sewer User Charges	205,000	179,130	198,840
Other Charges	-	3,275	7,000
Interest on Investments	90	25	20
Other Misc. Revenues	2,000	17,997	2,000
Precinct Tax	99,093	107,125	106,363
Carbon Credits	-	-	5,000
From Capital Reserve	-	-	-
From Bonds/Notes	246,172	320,172	
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ 812,355</b>	<b>\$ 904,909</b>	<b>\$ 423,823</b>

*Warner Village Water District*  
2016 - 2017 Budget

	<b>APPROP.</b>	<b>SPENT</b>	<b>WVWD BUDGET</b>	<b>BC REC.</b>
<b>APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>2,016</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2017</b>
Executive	\$ 20,775	\$ 20,573	\$ 21,500	\$ 21,500
Financial Administration	11,700	13,959	12,100	12,100
Legal	1,000	75	500	500
Personnel Administration	46,889	45,590	47,280	47,280
Insurance	6,250	7,240	8,925	8,925
Regional Assoc.Dues & Lics.	1,300	270	600	600
Other (Contingency)	5,000	-	5,000	5,000
Sewage Collection/Disposal	172,230	169,199	166,745	166,745
Water Services	43,410	44,170	38,400	38,400
Water Treatment & Other	32,000	37,551	35,980	35,980
Principal - Long Term Bonds	41,734	42,080	50,180	50,180
Interest - Long Term Bonds	29,895	31,234	36,173	36,173
Machinery, Vehicles, Equip.	40,172	-	-	-
New Construction	360,000	494,385	-	-
System Improvements	-	-	-	-
To Capital Reserve Fund	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 812,355</b>	<b>\$ 906,328</b>	<b>\$ 423,383</b>	<b>\$ 423,383</b>