

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
VILLAGE OF WARWICK  
JUNE 27, 2022**

**9293**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Warwick was held on Monday, June 27, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. in Village Hall, 77 Main Street, Warwick, NY. Present was: Mayor, Michael J. Newhard, Trustees: Barry Cheney, Corey Bachman, and Carly Foster. Also, present was Village Clerk, Raina Abramson and Village Attorney, and Steven Gaba. Trustee Tom McKnight and DPW Supervisor Mike Moser were absent. Others present: Meghan Carlson, Linda Moser, Cheryl Rogowski, Amanda Steng, Francesca Bryson, Donna Douglas, Dennis Williams, William Iurato, and Warwick Police Chief, John Rader.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.  
The Village Clerk held the roll call.

Introduction by Mayor Newhard.

**Acceptance of Minutes**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Bachman, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried for the Acceptance of Minutes: May 16, 2022 & June 6, 2022.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye    Trustee Foster Aye    Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent    Mayor Newhard Aye

**Acceptance of Reports**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Bachman, seconded by Trustee Foster and carried for the Acceptance of Reports – May 2022: Clerk’s Office, Justice Department, Planning and Zoning, and Building Department.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye    Trustee Foster Aye    Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent    Mayor Newhard Aye

**Authorization to Pay all Approved and Audited Claims**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried for the Authorization to Pay all Approved and Audited Claims in the amount of \$742,887.08

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye    Trustee Foster Aye    Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent    Mayor Newhard Aye

### **Correspondence**

1. Letter from former Warwick Valley Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, Michael Johndrow.
2. Letter of resignation from Zoning Board of Appeals Member, Dylan Giebler.

Mayor Newhard explained that the Village is looking to fill this seat, along with other seats, so if residents are interested in serving their community, please contact the Village Clerk by calling (845) 986-2031.

3. Letter of appreciation from Commander Stan Martin of American Legion Post 214 for the work performed by DPW Supervisor, Mike Moser and the Department of Public Works staff.
4. Letter from the Warwick Fire Department regarding the replacement of the Firemen's Monument in Veterans Memorial Park.

Mayor Newhard stated that the Fire Department was not going to be replacing the monument but repairing it. Trustee Cheney said that they will be adding a border around the backside to protect the flagpoles.

### **Privilege of the Floor**

Please limit your comments to **three (3)** minutes. If reading a document, please submit a copy to the Clerk. Please note all remarks must be addressed to the Board as a body and not to individual Board members. Please state your name clearly before speaking. These rules are taken from the Handbook for Village Officials – New York State Conference of Mayors and Municipal Officials.

### **Cheryl Rogowski:**

Ms. Rogowski stated that she was here tonight in her position as Chairperson and Administrative Manager of the Warwick Valley Farmers Market. Ms. Rogowski asked the Board to please favorably consider keeping Bank Street closed during the duration of the Farmers Market. Ms. Rogowski stated that in 2019 over 7,000 people came to the market, in 2020 over 9,000, in 2021 over 13,296, and in 2022 to date so far, the market is

at 1,685 people, averaging over 1,700 people per Sunday at the market. Father's Day there were 2,786 people come to the market. Ms. Rogowski said that volunteers are starting to calculate and keep track of the number of pedestrians coming down Bank Street, not for the duration of the market, but three weeks ago it was 100, two weeks ago on Father's Day it was 225, and then this past Sunday it was 242 people coming down Bank Street. Ms. Rogowski reiterated that she please just asks the Board to consider for public health and safety to keep it the way it is.

Mayor Newhard and Cheryl Rogowski stated that a small committee was created including Cheryl Rogowski, some other members of the market, Bill Iurato, Carly Foster, Tom McKnight, and a representative from the Police Department that met on Father's Day morning. Ms. Rogowski said that at the meeting, there was an open discussion of what could possibly be done about putting in more barricades and more securely closing off the market. Ms. Rogowski stated that there was an incident on Mother's Day, opening day of the market at 11:00 a.m., a car drove into the Farmers Market. Everyone who needed to know about that at that point in time was notified and immediately got more barricades in place to more securely close that area off. Ms. Rogowski said that it is a concern, especially since it happened this year, and they don't want that happening here and that no one wants to be responsible or liable for that. Ms. Rogowski said that they are working together trying to see what can be done, but at this point she is asking to keep things they way they are until things are figured out.

Mayor Newhard said that a motion will not be made this evening because they are waiting on a report or input from the police, then the Board will make a determination on all that was brought before them.

Trustee Foster said that she felt it was a very productive meeting last Sunday. Trustee Foster stated that one of the options that they are looking for feedback from the police department on is putting in barriers, shifting the partner tents that are along the back of the fence forward and having physical barricades installed. She said they are concerned with the potential movement of those barriers in case of a vehicle but were looking for feedback from the police department on the space that might be needed. Trustee Foster said that it seemed like a potential near term solution with a need to talk about longer term solutions. Trustee Foster they want to understand the need for the businesses to be able to access, coupled with the safety concerns.

Cheryl Rogowski said that certainly don't want to impede anybody from making money but just want to be safe.

Trustee Foster stated that she and Cheryl have a follow up meeting this coming Sunday to talk about some additional alternatives, even possible locations, needs, etc. for the Farmers Market to help address the need longer term.

Cheryl Rogowski stated that she knows it will be based on the police report, however if Bank Street could truly be kept as a one way so there is not two-way traffic coming in at the bottom by the South Street entrance.

Mayor Newhard agreed and believes that is what has to be looked at also – how the traffic flows on Bank Street. Mayor Newhard said that in his mind it should be one way all the way to South Street because it's confusing and the businesses can be entered through the parking lot when the Farmers Market is not there, or they can go down Bank Street from Main Street and get to where they have to go.

Trustee Foster said that was part of the discussion with the barriers, which would enforce a one-way road. She said that she and Tom were researching bollards that could be installed rather than just barricades.

Cheryle Rogowski said that someone mentioned the suggestion that speed bumps coming down the road all year round to help slow down the vehicle traffic coming through there.

Warwick Police Chief John Rader stated that for the record that he was unfortunately not attending Father's Day with his family that day but was called on an emergency which required his presence for almost six hours. Chief Rader apologized for not making the meeting, but said it was work related and is more than happy to come to future meetings providing everything else false into place. Trustee Foster stated that the Deputy that was there was great.

**William Iurato:**

Mr. Iurato stated that the car actually came off of South Street into the Farmers Market and did not come down Bank Street. He said that one of the things that he spoke with Carly, Tom and Cheryl was during the Farmers Market making it one-way from Main Street to South Street. Mr. Iurato said that when the Board talked about this a couple of years ago, the big thing was the fence along the tracks because the real issues was back then, that people were coming across the tracks and there was really no fencing on the Farmers Market either, so people were just walking back and forth, and said that he didn't disagree with that, it was just simply the fact that at the same time there was never an incident either in almost twenty-five years. Mr. Iurato said that he's been in the store for thirty years and there has never been an incident on Bank Street during the Farmers Market or during any other time but with the fence up along the tracks and the fence that

is put up with, with the one tent moved inside the fence on Sunday, but the fence that was up was only up half way but there was a big wide opening where people were walking out. Mr. Iurato said that even at that time when he was there, there was really never more than twenty people or so walking up and coming out of the Farmers Market, so if there was a fence from South Street all the way up to the corner of the sidewalk by his store, they couldn't walk out of the Farmers Market into Bank Street, with a couple of speedbumps or humps would really be helpful. Mr. Iurato said that he had two people tell him today that they couldn't get down Bank Street and went somewhere else.

Trustee Foster confirmed with Mr. Iurato that by 'fence' he meant the metal barricades. Mr. Iurato said that the metal barricades were from South Street to where the island is and then it was open and then there was a couple more, but it didn't stop people from walking out because there was a big, huge opening between vendors so there were no restrictions stopping anybody. Mr. Iurato stated that it has affected his business for two hours.

**Amanda Steng:**

Ms. Steng read the following statement:

I have lived at 46 Woodside Drive in the Village for almost 26 years. I am also a vendor at the Warwick Valley Farmers Market. I am here to speak out against the proposal brought to the Village Trustees recently to re-open Bank Street to vehicle traffic on Sundays while the market is in session.

My three main reasons are:

1. Bank Street is a one-way street that goes downhill, so any cars traveling on it would be doing so in a direction downhill toward the market and the market's vendors and shoppers.
2. There are no parking spaces for shoppers on Bank Street.
3. Many Sunday pedestrian shoppers use the Bank Street bridge as an easy way to continue their Sunday shopping after they have visited the farmers market to travel to the restaurants and businesses on Main Street.

I do not see the merits of opening the street to car traffic, but I do see the detriments that would arise from doing so.

Trustee Foster stated that in terms of next steps, it would make sense to meet with the Chief to talk about various safety concerns that have been raised and also for Carly to

hold a meeting with Ms. Rogowski on Sunday to talk about space needs for the Farmers Market and how it's growing and changing.

William Iurato asked if the Village had enough orange fences to go from South Street to the corner of the sidewalk to his building, from one end to the other, to get a clear look at how it's going to be. Mr. Iurato said he was there for 45 minutes on Sunday and there really wasn't that many people in Bank Street except when they were leaving, so if they could not leave on Bank Street, they'd have to leave onto South Street or leave up onto the sidewalk which they can walk up Bank Street. Mr. Iurato said that he understands where the Farmers Market brings in business to Main Street but it doesn't necessarily bring business in to him, but other customers that don't go to the Farmers Market that are out shopping or they're out going to church or out to breakfast and they just want to drive down like they normally do and stop or park, but they can't park into a parking space, and they don't come to him for those couple of hours.

Mayor Newhard said that he will check with Mike Moser to see if the Village has enough stanchions. Trustee Cheney asked how many more would be needed. Mr. Iurato thought they would need twenty. Mayor Newhard said he didn't believe they have that many.

Mayor Newhard said that one of the concerns that he has is the set up and take down and the storage of that many stanchions.

Trustee Foster said that a key question that she has when they meet to discuss safety is the potential for a vehicle to move those barriers because they're temporary. Trustee Foster was inquiring if maybe the bollards would be less labor intensive and easier to store.

**Francesca Bryson:**

Ms. Bryson explained that she has two things she would like to speak about. First, she presented a certificate of appreciation to the Village of Warwick for the constant support of the Coalition and the mission to create positive change within the community, especially to youth.

Ms. Bryson also presented a proclamation that has the mayor stating that he is recognizing that August 2<sup>nd</sup> is going to be National Night Out here in Warwick.

**Warwick Police Chief John Rader:**

Chief Rader stated that the second session of the Junior Police Academy filled up in a couple of days so there will be two full sessions this summer, one in July and one in August, and that the Police Department is very excited about that.

Chief Rader said that last Saturday the Warwick Police Department deployed body worn cameras to the officers and that most of them have been trained on them, so when the officers are out there now in their interactions with the public they will be recording. Chief Rader stated that they are very happy about that initiative and that the Town Board was very supportive and that it took about a year between bidding and finding every detail to make sure everything was covered, they have a good solid program right now.

Trustee Cheney asked what system was being used. Chief Rader replied that they were using Axis through Hudson Valley Computer Guys. Chief Rader stated that they are happy with the features that it offers, and that it should do well for them.

Mayor Newhard stated that while going to the carnival he saw an officer on his bike going up Third Street. Chief Rader said that the bikes were very useful at the carnival, and they are happy to have them out there. Chief Rader stated that there will be more training this summer and more officers qualified as well.

Mayor Newhard told Chief Rader he is doing great work and thanked him.

### **Executive Session**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Bachman, and carried to go into Executive Session to seek the confidential advice of counsel.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye    Trustee Foster Aye    Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent    Mayor Newhard Aye

### **Return from Executive Session**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Bachman and carried to exit Executive Session.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye    Trustee Foster Aye    Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

**Ackerly & Hubbell Appraisal Corp.**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to have Ackerly & Hubbell Appraisal Company perform appraisal work on behalf of the Village and to authorize the Mayor to execute any documents necessary for such retention.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

**Vacation Carryover – Arthur Wendel**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Bachman and carried to grant permission to Village of Warwick Employee, Arthur Wendel, to carry over 10 vacation days.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

**On-Premises Liquor License – South Street Saloon, LLC**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Bachman and carried to acknowledge receipt of the Standardized Notice Form from the New York State Liquor Authority for an on-premises liquor license for the South Street Saloon, LLC located at 15 South Street, Warwick, NY 10990 and authorize the Village Clerk to submit a letter notifying the New York State Liquor Authority that there are no objections to this notification and application.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye



**Budget Modification – FY2021-22 Budget**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to approve the FY 2021-22 budget modification and transfer request per the Village Treasurer's letters dated June 23, 2022.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye    Trustee Foster Aye    Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent    Mayor Newhard Aye

**Budget Modification – FY2022-23 Budget**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to approve the FY 2022-23 budget modification and transfer request as per the Village Treasurer's letters dated June 21, 2022.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye    Trustee Foster Aye    Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent    Mayor Newhard Aye

**Budget Appropriations – FY2022-23 CHIPS, PAVENY, EWR**

A **MOTION** was made to approve the FY 2022-23 budget appropriations and revenue for the increase in CHIPS, PAVENY, and EWR as per the Village Treasurer's letters dated June 21, 2022.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye    Trustee Foster Aye    Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent    Mayor Newhard Aye

**Refund of Facility Use Application Fees**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Bachman and carried to refund the facility use application fee in the amount of \$250 to each of the following organizations: Warwick Historical Society for the 2022 George Washington 5K event, Union A.M.E. Church

for the 2022 Community Health Fair, Warwick Community Bandwagon for the 2022 Walk of Acceptance Parade and Celebration, and the Warwick Valley Chamber of Commerce for Applefest 2022.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye    Trustee Foster Aye    Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent    Mayor Newhard Aye

**Facility Use – Veterans Memorial Park - National Night Out 2022**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Bachman and carried to grant permission to the Town of Warwick Police Department to use Veterans Memorial Park for National Night Out 2022 on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Request includes use of electricity and restrooms. Completed park permit and proof of insurance have been received.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye    Trustee Foster Aye    Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent    Mayor Newhard Aye

**PROCLAMATION OF NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2022**

Whereas, the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) is sponsoring a unique nationwide crime, drug and violence prevention program on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, entitled ‘National Night Out’; and

Whereas, the 39<sup>th</sup> Annual National Night Out provides a unique opportunity for Warwick to join forces with thousands of other communities across the country in promoting cooperative, police-community crime prevention efforts; and

Whereas, Warwick Valley Prevention Coalition plays a vital role in assisting the Town of Warwick Police Department through joint crime, drug, and violence prevention efforts in the Warwick Community and is supporting “National Night Out” 2022 locally; and

Whereas, it is essential that all citizens of Warwick be aware of the importance of crime prevention programs and impact that their participation can have on reducing crime, drugs and

violence within the Warwick Community; and

Whereas, police – community partnerships, neighborhoods safety, awareness and cooperation are important themes of the “National Night Out” program;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mayor Michael J. Newhard, do hereby call upon all citizens of Warwick to join The Warwick Valley Prevention Coalition, The Town of Warwick Police Department and the Village and Town of Warwick on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, from 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at Veterans Memorial Park for National Night Out.

FURTHER, LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, I, Mayor Michael J. Newhard, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, August 2, 2022, to be known as National Night Out in Warwick.

Mayor Newhard presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by  
Trustee Bachman,

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows: **APPROVED**

Barry Cheney, Trustee, voting Aye

Carly Foster, Trustee, voting Aye

Thomas McKnight, Trustee, voting Absent

Corey Bachman, Trustee, voting Aye

Michael Newhard, Mayor, voting Aye

**Facility Use – Route 94/Oakland Ave. – Coin Toss - AMENDED**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Cheney to grant permission to the Warwick Fire Police to hold a coin toss from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 23, 2022, Sunday, July 24, 2022, Saturday, October 15, 2022, and Sunday, October 16, 2022, on Route 94/Oakland Avenue near the entrance to the Village in front of 27A Oakland Avenue. Completed facility use permit and proper insurance have been received.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **AMENDED**

Trustee Cheney \_\_\_\_ Trustee Foster \_\_\_\_ Trustee Bachman \_\_\_\_

Trustee McKnight \_\_\_\_ Mayor Newhard \_\_\_\_

**Discussion**

Trustee Cheney stated that he brought up the point that since it is not a village street, the Village may not have total control over it and that the Village Attorney agreed. Trustee Cheney offered an amended motion to add after 'Motion to grant permission' to add 'subject to any required state approvals'.

**Facility Use – Route 94/Oakland Ave. – Coin Toss**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Foster and carried to grant permission, subject to any required State approvals, to the Warwick Fire Police to hold a coin toss from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 23, 2022, Sunday, July 24, 2022, Saturday, October 15, 2022, and Sunday, October 16, 2022, on Route 94/Oakland Avenue near the entrance to the Village in front of 27A Oakland Avenue. Completed facility use permit and proper insurance have been received.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

**Facility Use – Veterans Memorial Park – 9/11 Memorial Service**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Bachman and carried to grant permission to the Warwick Fire Department to use Veterans Memorial Park for a 9/11 Memorial Service on Sunday, September 11, 2022, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Request includes use of electricity near the entrance of the park. Completed park permit and proof of insurance have been received.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

**Return of Planning Board Escrow – John, LLC**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Bachman, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to return

the Planning Board escrow balance of \$1,345.00 to John, LLC for amended site plan approval at 31 Forester Ave. All invoices have been paid as per the email from Village Engineer, Dave Getz and Planning Board Attorney, Robert Dickover.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

**Facility Use Request – Veterans Memorial Park Pavilion, Warwick Wascals**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Bachman and carried to grant permission to The Warwick Grove Wascals, Senior Softball Club to use the Veterans Memorial Park Pavilion for a 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration on Monday, July 4, 2022, from 12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., including the use of alcohol and park restrooms. Completed park permit, liability insurance and security deposit have been received. Permission to use alcohol in the park is pending receipt of Host Liquor Liability.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

**Village of Warwick Summer Recreation Staff – Katlyn Chester**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Foster, seconded by Trustee Bachman and carried to hire Katlyn Chester at \$13.50 per hour as an addition to the 2022 Summer Recreation staff per the recommendation of Village of Warwick Recreation Director, Ron Introini.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

**Zoning Board of Appeals – Alternate Attorney**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Foster and carried to appoint counsel from Drake Loeb, LLC as Alternate Attorney to the Village of Warwick Zoning Board

of Appeals.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

### **Warwick Fire Department Monument**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Foster and carried to approve the Warwick Fire Department's proposal for the replacement of the firemen's monument in Veteran's Memorial Park.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye Trustee Foster Aye Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent Mayor Newhard Aye

### **Reports**

#### **Trustee Cheney's Report:**

Trustee Cheney stated that he was very happy to report that the Warwick girl's major softball team won its game this evening and they are the District 19 Champions. Trustee Cheney explained that they made their way all the way through the bracket undefeated and the game yesterday against Pine Bush who they defeated previously, that was Pine Bush's only loss. Trustee Cheney said that it's a double elimination tournament, so Pine Bush won yesterday so the winner today takes the flag and Warwick was able to do that.

#### **Trustee Foster's Report:**

Trustee Foster provided an update on the Master Plan process stating that they are working on assembling the stakeholder advisory group that will support the completion of the Master Plan process for Memorial Park. Trustee Foster said that the Clerk sent around an email to a variety of organizations to obtain representation with the goal to have a nice cross section of the community, equal representation of ideally of both men and women, representation across all age groups and representation across cultural and racial diversity in the Village. Trustee Foster said that those groups include the various homeowners' associations nearby, the skatepark initiative, the various recreational leagues, the Youth Advisory Board, a variety of non-profits, and is working to find a representative from the cyclist community. Trustee Foster stated that the

Master Plan process will take about three months, approximately six meetings, about fifteen hours total across the three months, that will begin in August. Trustee Foster added that the feedback they received from the listening session last month will be going up online soon.

Trustee Foster provided some additional thoughts that she had regarding Bank Street stating that the group meeting was really productive, with the focus on problem solving. Trustee Foster said that the interim solution to block off Bank Street could potentially be a temporary urgent fix to address some of the parking but completely pending confirmation that it can be done safely because she is really concerned about the safety of pedestrians in that area.

Trustee Foster said that she is coordinating with the Chamber of Commerce to do a listening session with their merchants and restaurants because now that folks are rolling out of the pandemic, they are now facing inflation and other issues, so as the Economic Development and Tourism liaison thought it was important to connect with them.

Mayor Newhard said that even as a follow up to COVID because that was great way that the Village was able to do outreach, partnering with the Chamber, but now to continue that process after what has happened to make the business community understand that it's not just during world emergencies that we are listening but at all times.

**Trustee Bachman's Report:**

Trustee Bachman reported that the Warwick Historical Society is hosting its second annual George Washington Day 5K, Saturday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8:30 a.m. at Veterans Memorial Park. Participants can run or walk. For more details please call (845) 986-3236 or sign up on Facebook or on the Historical Society's website. If people register by July 1<sup>st</sup> they will receive a free t-shirt.

Trustee Bachman also reported that he is very excited about the Certified Local Government program which stands for CLG and is something that has been adopted by more than seventy municipalities across New York State that essentially would take the Village's ARB and make it into the Historic Preservation Commission. Trustee Bachman explained that this is aimed at preserving historic landmarks and buildings in the Village. Trustee Bachman said that there has been a weekly meeting that includes Mayor Newhard, himself, and another member of the committee. He stated that the process can take a couple months or up to six months and is a real positive step forward to protecting and preserving the history of the Village.

Mayor Newhard added that by law, as a historic district, required to have an Architectural Review Board but this brings it up many levels and opens up funding resources. Mayor Newhard said that he believed that the CLG application should be brought to the Board and have a work

session so everybody can look at it and digest it and see the impact because it will definitely alter the Architectural Review Board as we know it.

**Trustee McKnight's Report:** Absent

**Village Attorney, Stephen Gaba:**

Mr. Gaba stated that the Village is looking at a Conservation Advisory Committee and received Tom McKnight's memo today, and will be speaking with the Board in the future whether or not they would like to do that by code amendment or by resolution. Mr. Gaba said that Trustee McKnight has a pretty extensive list of what it is that the CAC would be doing for the Village and the Board may want to have a workshop on that.

**Final Comments from the Floor** – No comments.

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**Adjournment**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Bachman and carried to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:15 p.m.

The vote on the foregoing **motion** was as follows: **APPROVED**

Trustee Cheney Aye    Trustee Foster Aye    Trustee Bachman Aye

Trustee McKnight Absent    Mayor Newhard Aye

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Village Clerk, Raina M. Abramson