

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VILLAGE OF WARWICK
APRIL 29, 2019**

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The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Warwick was held on Monday, April 29, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in Village Hall, 77 Main Street, Warwick, NY. Present were: Mayor, Michael J. Newhard, Trustees: Barry Cheney, William Lindberg, Eileen Patterson and George McManus. Also, present were: Village Clerk, Raina Abramson, Village Attorney, Stephen Gaba, DPW Supervisor, Michael Moser, Village Treasurer Cathy Richards, Village Accountant, Michael Vernieri. Others present; Kati Bisaro, Lt. John Radar, James Gerstner, Joe Lawler, Alfredo Pacheco, Ignacio Acevedo and others.

The Mayor called the meeting to order and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **Public Hearing on the proposed Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2019 entitled: "A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-c".**

The Clerk read the public hearing notice:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Village Board of the Village of Warwick will hold a public hearing on the 29th day of April, 2019, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., at Village Hall, 77 Main Street, Warwick, New York 10990, on a proposed Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2019 entitled: "A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-c".

The local law proposes to override the limit on the amount of real property taxes that may be levied by the Village and to allow the Village Board to adopt a budget for the 2019-2020 fiscal year that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the "tax levy limit" as defined by General Municipal Law §3-c

A copy of the proposed local law is on file in the office of the Village Clerk and available for inspection by interested persons during Village Clerk's business hours.

The Village Board will at the above date, time and place hear all persons interested in the subject matter hereof. Persons may appear in person or by agent. All written communications addressed to the Board must be received by the Board at or prior to the public hearing.

Mayor Newhard: So, we will open it up to the public. I want to also say that our Village Accountant and Village Treasurer are here this evening as well if you have any questions that they can help answer. Basically, the Village has stayed within the 2% tax cap from its very inception. Part of our fiscal responsibility, we recognize the impact of taxes on individuals and so we've made it in some ways our badge of honor to be able to do that, actually, to go below the 2% in most cases through many years but this year is an unusual year because we are faced with a \$12,000,000 project. Actually, now \$9,000,000 project because we received \$3,000,000 through the EFC but still non the less that is the thing that skews our budget and will have an impact for many years so if anybody would like to...or if anybody has any questions or would like to speak to the Board about this, this is the moment.

Joe Lawler: I noticed in the paperwork following, it doesn't say how much you want to override it by.

Mayor Newhard: Mike, maybe you could give us...

Michael Vernieri: We are overriding it by \$428,000. It is the amount that we had figured that we'd pay for 5.5 million dollars of the budget of that bond over a fifteen-year period. The remainder, the difference between the nine million and the 5.5 million is part of a number of items. Number one, we have some money in infrastructure funds which if we have to, we will use it. Number two, we have already provided for equipment in that new sewer plant by buying it and using it this year before the plant is even built, or the present plant, so that we can, at the same time, we can pay for that over a five-year period which is a lot easier. And then there's been a couple of other things which got the number down too. Last year we had \$500,000 in the sewer land tax for this particular purpose so now with this \$428,000 over the next fifteen-years based on a 2% interest rate, we will have in effect a \$12,000,000 bond. If, for some good reason, the Federal Government gives us a little bit more money then obviously we will be able to reevaluate that payment and/or the amount of years that we have to do it.

Mayor Newhard: Ok.

Joe Lawler: I understand that, but what I'm saying is you have a cap limit now of 2% and we're having a public hearing to say that we need to go above it to meet the Village needs. How far above it of the 2%?

Mayor Newhard: It will be 13.61%.

Joe Lawler: Wow, that's a lot.

Mayor Newhard: It is a lot.

Joe Lawler: That's an awful lot.

Mayor Newhard: It could have been 22%.

Michael Vernieri: We had looked into five year payments, seven year payments, ten year payment and then limited it fifteen-years with the idea that there are other things that the Village is going to have to do as far as infrastructure is concerned so, fifteen-years seemed to be the ideal at a 2% rate. If the rate is lower, obviously it won't be as long. If there is more money coming in from the Federal Government, then again it will either be less every year, or it will be less years.

Joe Lawler: Does this mean that every year for the next fifteen-years we are going to have to go above the 2% cap?

Michael Vernieri: No. The fact of the matter is that once you've increased it, you've now set a new limit so you're not going above it every single year but if this sewer plant comes in at fifteen million, of course. If it comes in at ten million, well that would help us reduce the yearly payment or the amount of years.

Joe Lawler: We're not going to cut the taxes, so that answers my question.

Michael Vernieri: Well, I'm not sure that's true. The Board through their deliberations over the last few months have indicated very strongly that if we did get another million dollars, another half million dollars, another three million, we would immediately do one of two things. One, we would cut the tax over a fifteen-year period or we would cut the amount of years that we would have to pay the \$428,000. Obviously, the preference is if we get another three million, we would very much like to pay this off in a shorter period of time and then it would be eliminated. We are showing it on the budget summary page, I've been told some people may not totally follow, that it is a separate sewer plant land tax so that we are distinguishing that number as this is the amount we need and if the Board was able to get more funding, you would see that number either change or the number of years that we are paying it.

Mayor Newhard: Joe, the other thing is that it is based on the land assessment and not the full assessment of your property so that is a greater difference of course. So, for the average home it's approximately at \$200 increase per year.

Joe Lawler: Every year?

Mayor Newhard: Every year.

Trustee Patterson: It's not a \$200 increase every year.

Mayor Newhard: Well, it's the same \$200. It won't be another \$200 once it's increased. Anyone else? Board, any questions or comments?

Public Hearing on the proposed Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2019 entitled: "A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-c"

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee McManus, seconded by Trustee Patterson and carried to close the Public Hearing on the proposed Local Law No. 1 of the Year 2019 entitled: "A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-c". Five Ayes

2. Public Hearing on the Tentative Budget of the Village of Warwick for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2019.

The Clerk read the public notice.

LEGAL NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE TENTATIVE BUDGET OF THE VILLAGE OF WARWICK for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2019 will be held on Monday, April 29, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in Village Hall, 77 Main Street, Warwick, NY or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at which time and place all interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard. Copies of the Tentative Budget will be available for review at the Village Clerk's Office and on the Village's website, www.villageofwarwick.org beginning April 22, 2019.

The compensation proposed to be paid to each member of the Village Board is as follows:

Mayor	\$ 46,033.92
Deputy Mayor	\$ 8,120.09
Trustees	\$ 7,460.31 (each)

Mayor Newhard: And again, before we open it up to the public, I'd like to make a few comments. Firstly, I described the process that we went through this year in particular because we knew what we were faced with. We were actually faced with this last year and we decided to hold that that off, any type of override to the 2% tax cap, so that we had a year of educating the public, informing the public as to the need, the cost, just what we were facing together. This is something, a very large infrastructure project, probably one of the largest we've faced and the only way we can do it is obviously together and over time it will touch many, many generations or a few generations to pay back. But it will affect the future of our community for many, many years to come, probably fifty to sixty years. It is desperately needed and so we recognize that and have move forward with that. In that year's period of time were able to receive a 3-million-dollar grant and I think that speaks of the Boards desire to find money to help augment and to help bring the cost down, so it has less of an impact on our residents.

I also believe in our infinite wisdom was to create, so to speak, two separate budgets. A general budget that relates to the workings, the operations of our Village that stays within the 2% tax cap. So that folks can recognize that we are not going to lose services. We are being very careful, we are staying within what would generally be a 2% tax cap and special programs that have been important to the Village, operations that are important, paving and all these special projects we do throughout the year to make this village run effectively and smoothly will continue. I think that if you see the tentative budget it becomes very clear that there are these two separate lines. One is the big kahuna which is the wastewater treatment plant but then the other is operations and the smooth operations of a remarkable Village.

So, I'm just going to quickly go over some of the highlights as to what's in the budget as far as that, under General Fund we have some special projects that are proposed at Village Hall we plan to rebuild the steps which are slowly but surely disintegrating over time. At our central garage we're going to add additional bays to a pole barn that preexists. Streets and roads, the plan is to purchase a new dump truck for plowing and sanding, a new pick up truck with a plow, a new tow behind compressor, new bucket truck which is funded through a DASNY grant through Senator Bonacic. New York State DOT Chips for 2019-20 funding award was \$92,600, pave New York was \$21,000 and Extreme Winter Recovery was \$16,000 for a total of \$129, 600 which will go to streets.

In parks, the purchase of various park maintenance equipment; parking lot near the football field in Memorial Park through a \$50,000 DASNY grant will be repaved or will be paved, Lewis Woodland Bridge repaired so that we can bring small vehicles into the woodland path so that we can do maintenance, a second walk bridge at Stanley-Deming Park and design work for an enhanced skatepark and that is on the agenda for this evening.

In Storm Water and Sewer and Drainage, Country Lane drainage is one of the main projects we will be focusing on.

And Grant Applications, again I feel like we are aggressive looking for grants, we try to leave no stone unturned. For this year in the budget is the 2017 HUD CDBG High Street Sidewalk and Curb Grant which had gone through certain problems because of income levels within our community but we've realized that if we rewrite the grant or we have rewritten the grant to show that this new sidewalk would create greater handicap accessibility, they will fund it so, they are going to fund that. Also, again, the Memorial Park parking lot near the football field, the 2018 DASNY Bucket Lift truck purchase, and the 2019 DASNY Playground of Dreams and that is the playground that has been recently built in the past week and that money goes directly towards that project. And also, the 2018 DEC Charging stations which have actually been installed and Hudson Greenway Comprehensive Plan Grant for \$10,000, 2019 Orange County Arts Grant for \$2,500 and 2018 New York State Justice Court for court improvements at \$10,000.

Under Water and Water Fund, usage rates will increase by 8% and what we have done over the past is we have a land tax for water and for sewer and we've basically maintain it at about a 10% level and sometimes we go up in sewer 8% and then water 2%, so it kind of goes back and forth depending on where our needs are. So, it is really unchanged, it is actually the same as it has been over time. But this year there will be an 8% increase for water usage rates and some of the projects that are going to be worked on this year is the New York State DEC Village Dam Assessment.

Under Purification, Well # 3 design, and under Transmission Distribution, water line repairs to Oakland Avenue, Barbara Drive, Kenilworth Lane, Sheffield Drive and Robert Drive. And then a lot of engineer consulting, I won't go into that.

Under Sewer Fund, the usage rate will be a 2% increase and the projects that are planned are a new pump station genset at Robin Brae and that's an emergency generator. And at the sewer plant phase one of the new sewer plant upgrade, the UV installation and Orchard Street pump station headworks, belt press, sledge conveyer and sludge pump to belt press and again more engineer consultants.

And as well in the budget is a hiring of a Planner for the beginning of the Village's rewrite of our Comprehensive Master Plan.

So that gives you a sense of what is in that 2% capped budget and so there is a lot of work that is going to be accomplished and I give credit to every department in our municipality, they work very hard, they stretch their dollars, we do a lot of things in house that have in the past been farmed out but now we recognize that we can train and we can make things happen right here. We have a really excellent staff who really understands that we are here to serve.

I want to also thank Cat Richards for the work that she does on a daily basis but also during the budget season which was definitely a very intense period of time this year. It started in early

January and it sort of ends tonight but it still goes on, and Cat I just want to applaud you and thank you for the hard work you do. And Michael Vernieri I would like to thank you too for your guidance. This was a tough one, but you held our hand through it, and you made us make some very hard decisions which we had to make and even though you don't agree with all of them we

Would you like to say some words to the public?

Michael Vernieri: Just an update, you've seen some of the things on the sewer and the land, those are part of the land tax that we do, and we have been doing for the last twenty years or so. That gives us the ability to buy a conveyor press, to buy a UV installation, etc. etc. and pay it off over a short period of time as these pieces of equipment are needed. And the sewer land tax is shared by everybody including anybody who has land in this town, and it's used by everybody. So, it's been a positive thing and unfortunately were caught up with the sewer plant and if there was a way, we can get it into the land tax over a five-year period under 2% we would but it's impossible. But all the other equipment that you see that Michael had mentioned is going to be part of that land tax, it's not part of operations although land tax is part of operations. So, you got these water line repairs, Well #3 design, genset for Robin Brae sector, all coming out of that land tax. That basically is the key of what the land tax is all about and has been over the years and for people who don't remember we built a water plant and the banks to the state paid for half of it but basically that water plant was part of the land tax and knowing, saw an increase of tax because of it. We were hoping to do that to the sewer plant, it's just...

Mayor Newhard: Thank you. And I just want to comment too about our Board. We've been meeting for the past three months on a regular basis and I really thank you all for the hard work and the questions asked and trying to understand, trying to figure out what is the best way to deliver not the easiest of news. But I believe, I think we succeeded in finding a way that had the least impact and still we are accomplishing what we set out to accomplish. To understand, our philosophy has been when we take on debt to remove debt almost as quickly as we take it on usually within a four- or five-year period so that we don't have long term debt, so that we're not still working on paying debt on something that is now falling apart. We want to get through debt, and we want to get to the next project as quickly as possible because we are an old village. We've got projects behind the other projects. We have crumbling, not crumbling infrastructure, but we have infrastructure that definitely has needs. We have to continue. We have to be diligent. We can't rest after the wastewater treatment plant. There will be something else. So that we don't want to be straddled with debt for so long that we won't be able to accomplish that next group of projects that need to be done. So that has been our philosophy, I think we retained it, it's a little bit longer but the amount of money we have to cover is a lot larger so that's the way it goes. But again, thank you to the Board, you've taken a lot of time and effort and really, I think I'm very pleased with what we have accomplished even though it is difficult. Any comments? Ok. Can I have a motion...

Trustee Cheney: Do you want the public...

Mayor Newhard: Would the public like to comment? I am so sorry.

Mayor Newhard: Can I have a motion to close the public hearing?

Public Hearing on the Tentative Budget of the Village of Warwick for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2019

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee McManus, seconded by Trustee Patterson and carried to close the Public Hearing on the Tentative Budget of the Village of Warwick for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2019. Five Ayes

Acceptance of Reports

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee McManus, seconded but Trustee Patterson and carried to accept the March 2019 reports: Clerk's Office, Justice, Building, Planning Board & ZBA. Five Ayes

Authorization to Pay all Approved and Audited Bills

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee McManus, seconded by Trustee Patterson and carried to authorize to pay all approved and audited bills in the amount of \$144,794.85. Five Ayes

Mayor Newhard: And Lieutenant Radar do you have a report for us or any comments to the board?

Lt. John Radar: Nothing at this time.

Michael Vernieri: Did we adopt the budget?

Mayor Newhard: Not yet.

Trustee Patterson: It's in the motions.

Mayor Newhard: It's in the motions, yep.

Michael Vernieri: It's in the motions, ok.

Trustee Cheney: You got to stick around a little longer.

Michael Vernieri: Just checking, sorry.

Correspondence

Mayor Newhard: Under correspondence we have a letter from the department of Health regarding the operations of the Village of Warwick water supply and inspection and it was a glowing letter and thank you very much Barry.

Trustee Cheney: Just as a follow up there were two items there that Keith Miller had raised the issue with the County. One of them was an updated up-close inspection of the reservoir tank, of the vent pipe. They wanted to make sure that it was screened so that birds couldn't get inside the tank and jeopardize the quality of the water and that was done by staff. They went up, took photographs of it, and photographs have been submitted to the Health Department so we should be clear on that one.

And number five on the letter talked about the fact that we produce quite a bit more water than we actually bill for and consume and so this year we are going to have, we applied for and I expect we will have, a leak detection survey performed again. I think the last one was about five years ago. That would be paid for by the Orange County Water Authority so we are looking forward to that and we got good information last time, tightened up some leaks that were found, corrected that and saved ourselves some money in terms of what we were producing by reducing the loss.

Mayor Newhard: Ok, thank you.

Privilege of the Floor

(Please limit your comments to **five (5)** 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.

Mayor Newhard: Privilege of the Floor if anybody would like to speak to the Board this evening this is your moment. So please raise your hand, state your name, and ... yes sir.

Alfredo Pacheo: Hi, as you know my name is Alfredo Pacheo from Nobody Leaves Mid-Hudson.

Mayor Newhard: Hi Alfredo.

Alfredo Pacheco: And tonight, you see we are all here and ask you, Mayor and Trustees at the table, thank you for always giving us this opportunity to talk about our issues too and we are here tonight to ask you for your support for the resolution number is 82176 and S425, which is a protection in a course to try to not keep ICE around in the area. The thing we are asking this for is because we have seen an increase of arrests in courts and a lot of people are afraid now to go to courts even for a minor thing. Probably some people, they committed a crime and they have to confront it, you know, the laws. But there's are a lot of people out there too that didn't do anything wrong and they are afraid to go to courts and by that now they don't want to go there because they are afraid that ICE is there. You will say, why are they afraid, they didn't commit a crime? We are here in cities, because we work around the area. People are being picked up even if they didn't commit a crime.

And I have a story that I can tell you, somebody, it was companion for a mother of two kids, she was going to pay a ticket. So, when they arrived there, they asked her for documentation and everything and all she wanted to do is pay the ticket, so she was arrested. She was arrested but then the guy said you can't arrest her because she has two kids. So, they walked outside and saw that she had two kids. They let her go but they arrested the guy that didn't have anything to do with it.

Mayor Newhard: Hum...

Alfredo Pacheco: So, by that we ask here, every city that we have connections with the clerks and the support is built. Because I don't think, to me, I don't think it's right to put those fears in the community. I think it is important, you know. Like you say, you are a caring community for the immigrants, so we feel comfortable asking you this because we feel that you are going to make the right choice. Ok, so probably not tonight, you now but try to see ...

Mayor Newhard: We'll get the copies of those resolutions and we'll ...

Alfredo Pacheco: Read it over and see what you think and if you have any questions we are here.

Mayor Newhard: Ok.

Alfredo Pacheco: You know, for any questions.

Mayor Newhard: I appreciate that, ok, thank you.

Alfredo Pacheco: Thank you.

Mayor Newhard: Yes.

Oscar Figueroa: Hi, my name is Oscar Figueroa, I'm the leader in Warwick and I speak, my English is not, I don't speak full, I'd like to use a translator, an interpreter.

Alfredo Pacheco (translating for Oscar Figueroa): My name is Oscar Figueroa, I'm the community leader in Warwick. For more than seven years he has organized the community, for the last two years he has filled the security in the community. The biggest worries for him are the kids, always asks our kids because they are the ones that suffer the most when they lose their parents. Many parents maybe committed mistakes like everyone else, but they don't want to go to court now because they are afraid that ICE will be there. Many times, they come to us asking questions but unfortunately, we don't have the answers for them. So, I'm here asking you to support this or help this to see how you can help the community by granting this resolution and maybe pass it in the future. Gracias.

Mayor Newhard: Thank you. Thank you, Oscar.

Alfredo Pacheco (translating for Mateo Rodriguez): Hi my name is Mateo Rodriguez. I don't know if you know, but maybe a week ago or so two members from our community, two people from our community were arrested. He doesn't know why. So now that gives me fear because I have two kids. I work everyday so I can pay my bills, the little time that I get and give it to my kids so now since I know that last week two people were picked up by ICE now, I have a fear in me. What I ask you is, if you can tell us how to protect me. Through the representatives in a town that I choose to live and raise my kids, I would love for you to show me a way how to protect my kids because I feel insecure now.

Mayor Newhard: Um hum.

Mateo Rodriguez: Gracias.

Alfredo Pacheco: Thank you.

Mayor Newhard: Thank you. Anybody else would like to speak to the Board tonight? So, you will get us those resolutions then?

Alfredo Pacheco: Yeah

Mayor Newhard: That would be great.

Alfredo Pacheco: Ok, thank you.

Mayor Newhard: Yes.

Ignacio Acevedo: I'm Ignacio the lead organizer for Nobody Leaves Mid-Hudson. Can you tell us a little about the process a resolution has to go through, what the calendar will go through, the time that it would take to kind of pass a resolution here in the Village of Warwick?

Mayor Newhard: Uh, do you want...

Stephen Gaba: A resolution is not like a local law...

Mayor Newhard: No.

Stephen Gaba: It doesn't have to be on the desks of the lawmakers for six days or anything along those lines. You look it over, you have to vet the wording of it and make sure it communicates what you want it to communicate and then you act on it. It will depend on how complicated the resolution is, what the language says, but a relatively short period of time certainly.

Ignacio: So, it doesn't have to be, it doesn't have to have a village open discussion?

Stephen Gaba: It doesn't require a public hearing or anything like that.

Ignacio: No?

Stephen Gaba: No. I mean if it was a controversial one, could they hold a public hearing on it? It would be of a public comment session but yeah, they could. Normally they do not on resolutions, no.

Ignacio: Ok, and if you guys have any questions about it please reach out to us.

Mayor Newhard: I guess my question would be have you approached the town as well? I mean I think that, that makes sense, there are different courts throughout the Town of Warwick.

Ignacio: Yeah, so we are starting with every village or city where there's people mobilizing. Like it's passing today in Poughkeepsie, it's going to pass next week in Newburgh, Middletown it passed so, Warwick we wanted it to be one of the villages and then we will go on and on and on. This is really just a state legislation; the resolution is just the support of the local residents. But the big part around it is wherever this fear of people coming out, like today and then telling their story, because they're just afraid, literally to pay a parking ticket or just go by court, don't even go inside court, just go by court. And I think a lot of the fears you see here are multiplying in all the other cities. And a lot of them want to respect the police officer, the court system or whatever they violated, they want to pay their dues. But at the same time the risk is to high and everyday the fear just gets bigger and bigger.

Mayor Newhard: Thank you.

Trustee Cheney: They said Middletown already passed it so it might be good Raina, if you can get a copy of Middletown's resolutions, it can help us.

Mayor Newhard: Ok, great. Thank you. So, with that we will close the privilege of the floor and move onto motions. Trustee Cheney.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING VILLAGE OF WARWICK LOCAL LAW NO. 1 OF 2019

WHEREAS, the Village Board has before it a proposed local law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c for fiscal year 2019 – 2020; and

WHEREAS, following due notice the Village Board held a public hearing on the proposed local law,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. That the Village Board does hereby adopt the proposed local law to override the tax levy limit established in General Municipal Law §3-c for fiscal year 2019 – 2020;
2. That the said local law shall be effective immediately; and
3. That the Village Clerk is hereby requested and directed to publish, post and file the same in the Office of the Secretary of State in Albany.

Trustee Cheney presented the foregoing resolution, which was seconded by Trustee Lindberg,

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Barry Cheney, Trustee, voting	Aye
William Lindberg, Trustee, voting	Aye
George McManus, Trustee, voting	Aye
Eileen Patterson, Trustee, voting	Aye
Michael Newhard, Mayor, voting	Aye

Adoption of Budget FY 2019-2020

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to adopt the Budget of the Village of Warwick for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2019. Five Ayes

Village of Warwick FY 2019-2020 Tax Re-Levy's & Errors & Omissions

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to relevy on the Village of Warwick 2019-20 tax bills all unpaid water and sewer fees, building inspector/code enforcement department fees, and alarm fines to properties listed on the attached document, including errors and omissions as per the Village Assessor, with a total relevy amount of \$ 9,583.92. Five Ayes

Poured-in-Place Rubber Surfacing Award of Bid – Stanley Deming Park

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to award the bid to Play by Design for Poured-in-Place Rubber Surfacing for the Stanley Deming Playground Project in the amount of \$72,775.00 for a light grey surface per the recommendation of Village Engineer, David Getz. Five Ayes

Return of Planning Board Escrow – James Tomaselli, 116 South Street Ext.

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to return the Planning Board escrow balance of \$92.50 to James Tomaselli for the subdivision located at 116 South Street Ext. All invoices have been paid as per the email from Village Engineer, Dave Getz and Planning Board Attorney, Robert Dickover. Five Ayes

Employee Training – Mike Moser, DPW Supervisor: May 3, 2019

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to grant permission to Michael Moser, DPW Supervisor, to attend the Automatic Control Valves Operation & Maintenance training sponsored by the NYS American Water Works Association. This training will be held at the Town of Wallkill Community Center on Friday, May 3, 2019. Course length will be 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. No overtime applies. Supervisor vehicle will be used, no mileage reimbursement necessary. Five Ayes

Employee Training – Mike Moser, DPW Supervisor: May 19, 2019 – May 22, 2019

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to grant permission to Michael Moser, DPW Supervisor, to attend the NYRWA Annual Training

Workshop at a cost of \$300. This training will be held at the Turning Stone Resort, May 20, 2019 through May 22, 2019. Reservations will cost \$447 for the three night stay at the resort; check in May 19, 2019 and check out May 22, 2019. Total cost incurred is \$747. Agenda attached, no overtime applies, supervisor vehicle will be used, no mileage reimbursement necessary. Five Ayes

Budget Modification – Treasurer’s Request

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Lindberg, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to approve the budget modifications as per the Village Treasurer's letter dated April 29, 2019. Five Ayes

Facility Use Railroad Green – Grace Community Church

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Lindberg, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to grant permission to Grace Community Church to use Railroad Green on Thursday, May 2, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. for a National Day of Prayer event. Completed park permit, security deposit and proof of proper insurance have been received. Five Ayes

Skatepark Design - Pillar Design Studios

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Lindberg, seconded by Trustee Cheney to accept the proposal and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement from Pillar Design Studios for a proposed new skatepark. **AMENDED**

Discussion Prior to Vote:

Trustee Cheney: Question. One of the things that I noticed in going over it was they talked about the preliminary estimate of probable construction costs on page 4. And it says they’re going to use general square footage prices based on national averages. But it also mentioned that if we can provide them with additional information relative to local unit prices, I know there are construction guides that should allow them to get closer than the national average and also, I think we need to advise them about any work that’s done is going to have to be done using prevailing wages, so that is another factor. I think we’re not paying a lot of money for it, so they are not going to go into much detail, a whole lot of detail, but I think those things will help get us a little closer to something that we can work with.

The other two things I noticed, the errors and omissions insurance, they said they had a million dollars Raina, is that what we require? Or do we require two?

Raina Abramson: Umm...

Trustee Cheney: For errors and omissions?

Trustee McManus: A million and two aggregate.

Raina Abramson: That's right.

Trustee Cheney: So, that may have to be resolved.

Raina Abramson: Ok.

Trustee Cheney: And the other thing, they have given us their contract provisions. I think we have contract provisions that we use for consultants that probably apply better although theirs didn't look to onerous with the exception of that one issue. But it doesn't include all the other insurance requirements that we have. So, we might want to consider one of two things, either giving them what we generally use or having the attorney look at what they have given us and see whether there is anything else on the insurance issues that need to be changed.

Stephen Gaba: Other than E&O what insurance are we talking about?

Trustee Cheney: They have to have general liability.

Stephen Gaba: General liability?

Trustee Cheney: We require that of everyone. So the insurance is something that Raina can handle with the firm but their provisions, which they have fourteen of them, I don't know, I guess number twelve is kind of a concern to me because they're limiting the amount of liability to be no greater than the amount of the insurance coverage that they have. So that is probably unacceptable, right?

Stephen Gaba: Well, here's the thing about that. Engineers in particular, and these guys I'm sure are modeling this off the bat, regularly take the position and don't get away with it, it's what they

regularly do, that the projects they are undertaking are such large public projects, like for example the waste water treatment plant, that in the event that there was some liability as a result of it, a massive backup, a pollution spill or something that they could not undertake to work on the project and expose themselves to that type of liability, at least not above and beyond their insurance coverage. A lot of them, in fact, these guys too at the beginning say that liability is limited to the amount of contract price which \$5,000, why bother? So, what we did, we made them change it to the amount of their insurance. Now they're not going to be building the park, they are going to be designing the park so, I mean is it possible that there will be a negligence in design claim that will be more than a million, two million, it could happen. But I don't know if you will be able to get them to agree to just accept liability for, we can ask, but I don't know if they will go for it.

Trustee McManus: Do we change the motion, so it says for the design of the proposed new skate park? Because it doesn't say that.

Stephen Gaba: I'm sorry George, what are you referring to?

Trustee McManus: It says to accept the proposal and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement from Pillar Design Studios for a proposed new skatepark.

Mayor Newhard: Right. The design.

Stephen Gaba: Oh ok, you mean the motion itself you want to change?

Trustee McManus: Yes.

Trustee Lindberg: I amend that.

Trustee Cheney: Second.

Stephen Gaba: Are you going to include the changes to the contract too, in the resolution? I mean the insurance is easy enough.

Trustee Cheney: I wouldn't think that's necessary; the Mayor has got to sign something; I would think that we can negotiate the best deal we can.

Stephen Gaba: Ok, the resolution is to approve this agreement though. So, if you want it different then you are going to have to amend the resolution to prove the agreement with these changes. So, if you're not happy for example with the language on the estimate that I think you want to have amendment to the language...

Trustee Cheney: I don't think that's necessary.

Stephen Gaba: That's ok then?

Trustee Cheney: Yes

Stephen Gaba: Alright, the insurance for example, you can say one million, two million aggregate, general liability insurance and such other insurance requirements as the village regularly requires. Put that in there as well.

Trustee Cheney: I'm ok with that, I just don't want us to get into a stalemate and have to come back.

Trustee Patterson: I think it makes sense to include it as we would normally request it. It was just an oversight; we should update it.

Stephen Gaba: Ok, well the only other thing is are you willing to accept them limiting their liability to the amount of insurance or do you want to try to get them to accept open ended liability?

Mayor Newhard: It's a small company, I mean I don't know.

Trustee Patterson: Then again, they are not building it, they're just designing...

Mayor Newhard: They're just designing it, yeah.

Trustee Cheney: If they give us a design of a half pipe and somehow that design is incorrect and somebody gets injured on it, I mean that's...

Mayor Newhard: We'll be sending all designs to our insurance provider before anything gets built.

Trustee Patterson: Yeah, but the insurance provider is not an engineer who can determine whether it's safe, is that what you are saying Barry?

Mayor Newhard: Well.

Trustee Patterson: There's checks and balances in place that the builder will look at the design potentially and say that's not going to work.

Trustee Cheney: The builders not going to take on that liability.

Trustee Patterson: Ok, that's fair. So, what is your suggestion then?

Trustee Cheney: Well I just like to see us negotiate it to the point where it's as best as we can and the best interest of the village.

Trustee Patterson: I would like then to table the motion and come back to it at the next meeting with the note from Mr. Gaba that he has reviewed it and feels that we are sufficiently insured. And that you feel that we are sufficiently insured as an engineer.

Stephen Gaba: Well the insurance is easy enough, the other issue we're just going to have to contact them and say look, it's up to the insurance amounts not acceptable to the Village Board, we want to eliminate that clause, will you do it or not? And if they say no, then you are going to have to make a decision. If they say yes, well then you get your wish. It's only May 6th, it's not far off the next meeting. I'm sure we can get an answer by then.

Gentleman in Audience: They're available by telephone right now if you want to get them on the phone.

Mayor Newhard: Well, no, we can't do that. Thank you.

Trustee Patterson: Can we table it and at least have a discussion with them? They may be willing to just go right along with that. Understanding that Mr. Gaba is not going to be at the next meeting, would you just send us an update in an email to let us know?

Stephen Gaba: Oh yeah, absolutely. I'll send an email out, this is what they said and make a decision either to adopt the contract or move on, I guess.

Mayor Newhard: Ok.

Trustee Cheney: So, we have a motion that has been amended so I guess we have to vote on it.

Trustee Patterson: We can't table it?

Stephen Gaba: A motion table is a procedural motion, supersedes the vote on the substantive resolution before the Board.

Trustee Patterson: So, is that a yes or no Steve?

Stephen Gaba: Yes, somebody makes a motion to table, second it and you can table it back.

Mayor Newhard: Ok, so, can I have a motion to table this?

Trustee Cheney: I'll make a motion to table.

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Lindberg, seconded by Trustee Cheney to accept the proposal and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement from Pillar Design Studios for the design of a proposed new skatepark. **AMENDED**

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Cheney, seconded by Trustee Patterson to table the motion to accept the proposal and authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement from Pillar Design Studios for the design of a proposed new skatepark. Five Ayes

2019 Village of Warwick Summer Concert Series

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to approve the Village of Warwick Summer Concert Series Schedule per the attached calendar provided by Summer Concert Coordinator, William Iurato. Five Ayes

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee McManus and carried to close Railroad Avenue and Block off six parking spaces on the north side of Railroad Avenue

and five parking spaces on the south side of Railroad Avenue according to the Village of Warwick 2019 Summer Concert Series calendar dates starting three hours before the start of each concert and remain closed until one hour after the event. Five Ayes

Warwick Merchants Guild – Annual Sidewalk Sale

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to grant permission to the Warwick Merchants Guild to hold their annual Sidewalk Sale on Saturday, July 13, 2019 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, July 14, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Proof of proper insurance has been received. Five Ayes

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to grant permission to the Warwick Merchants Guild to use five (5) parking spaces from BFree to Yesterdays, five (5) parking spaces from Eddie's Roadhouse to Chase Bank, three (3) parking spaces in front of Newhard's, all parking spaces from G's Restaurant to Millspaugh Furniture and five (5) parking spaces from Bertoni Gallery to Etched in Time on Saturday, July 13, 2019 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, July 14, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. as per their letter dated April 2, 2019 for the benefit of the Annual Sidewalk Sale. Five Ayes

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to close Railroad Avenue on Saturday, July 13, 2019 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, July 14, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for the benefit of the Warwick Merchants Guild Sidewalk Sale. Five Ayes

Warwick Merchants Guild – Annual Ladies Night Out

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to grant permission to the Warwick Merchants Guild to hold their Annual Ladies Night Out on Thursday, August 22, 2019 from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Proof of proper insurance has been received. Five Ayes

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to grant permission to the Warwick Merchants Guild to use Railroad Green on Thursday, August 22, 2019 from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., including the use of electricity in the park for the Annual Ladies Night Out event. Completed park permit, security deposit and proof of proper insurance have been received. Five Ayes

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to grant permission to the Warwick Merchants Guild to use all parking spaces from Eddie's Roadhouse to Chase Bank, all parking spaces from G's Restaurant to Millspaugh Furniture, five (5) parking spaces from Bertoni Gallery to Etched in Time, and five (5) parking spaces from BFree to Yesterdays on Thursday, August 22, 2019 from 3:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. as per their letter dated April 2, 2019 for the benefit of the Annual Ladies Night Out. Five Ayes

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Lindberg and carried to close Railroad Avenue on Thursday, August 22, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. for the benefit of the Warwick Merchants Guild Annual Ladies Night Out event. Five Ayes

Facility Use Stanley Deming Park - Park Avenue Elementary School Kindergarten Picnic

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee McManus, seconded by Trustee Patterson and carried to grant permission to Park Avenue Elementary School to use Stanley Deming Park for a kindergarten picnic on June 6, 2019 with a rain date of June 20, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Completed park permit, and proof of proper insurance have been received. Security deposit has been waived. Five Ayes

Road Closure – June 4, 2019 Park Avenue PTA Family Picnic

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee McManus, seconded by Trustee Patterson and carried to close Park Avenue from Galloway Road to Burt Street on June 4, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for the Park Avenue Elementary School PTA Family Picnic. Five Ayes

Facility Use Stanley Deming Park – Warwick Valley Prevention Coalition

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee McManus, seconded by Trustee Cheney to grant permission to the Warwick Valley Prevention Coalition to use Stanley Deming Park on Sunday, July 28, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for their Annual Break the Stigma event. Completed park permit, proof of proper insurance and security deposit have been received. **AMENDED**

Discussion Prior to Vote:

Trustee Cheney: On their application, on the map they included, the playground area as being part of what they are requesting apparently. I wouldn't think we'd be open to them having exclusive use of the playground. I would suggest that probably, nor would they necessarily need

it, I would suggest that we change it for them or send it back to them for changes. I would think we can change it for them I'm sure they are not going to have a problem with that.

Trustee McManus: I'll accept the change for them.

Trustee Patterson: I don't think that this gives them exclusive use though. It allows them to set up there, but it doesn't say nobody else can use it.

Trustee Cheney: Well the intention is when we give permission it can be interpreted that way. I would rather give them basically exclusive use of the pavilion gazebo area.

Trustee Patterson: And then if they filter into the playground area, ok.

Trustee Cheney: Everybody uses the rest of it, yeah.

Trustee Patterson: Right, I mean it doesn't.

Trustee McManus: I'll accept that change for the Prevention Coalition.

Mayor Newhard: Ok, great.

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee McManus, seconded by Trustee Patterson to grant permission to the Warwick Valley Prevention Coalition to use the pavilion and gazebo area of Stanley Deming Park on Sunday, July 28, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. for their Annual Break the Stigma event. Completed park permit, proof of proper insurance and security deposit have been received. Five Ayes

Break the Stigma Walk – Warwick Valley Prevention Coalition

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee McManus, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to grant permission to the Warwick Valley Prevention Coalition to hold the annual Break the Stigma walk on Sunday, July 28, 2019 beginning at 12:00 p.m. The route is as follows: Stanley Deming Park, South Street, Main Street, Railroad Avenue, South Street, returning to Stanley Deming Park per their attached letter and map dated March 13, 2019. Proof of proper insurance has been received. The parade route has been approved by and will be assisted by the Warwick Police Department. Five Ayes

GOVERNING BODY FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION

The Village of Warwick supports Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the New York State Human Rights Law. It is the policy of the Village of Warwick to

implement programs to ensure equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex (including pregnancy), national origin, nationality, familial status, marital or domestic partnership status, affectional or sexual orientation, atypical hereditary cellular or blood trait, genetic information, liability for military service, mental or physical disability, perceived disability, AIDS/HIV status and Lawful Income or Source of Lawful Rent Payment (Section 8). The Village of Warwick further objects to discrimination in the sale, rental, leasing, financing of housing or land to be used for construction of housing, or in the provision of brokerage services because of race, color, religion, ancestry, sex, national origin, handicap or disability as prohibited by Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (Federal Fair Housing Law) and the New York State Human Rights Law. Therefore, the Municipal Council of the Village of Warwick do hereby approve the following resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED, that within available resources, the Village of Warwick will assist all persons who feel they have been discriminated against under one of the aforementioned categories, to seek equity under federal and state laws by filing a complaint with the New York State Human Rights Division and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, as appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Village of Warwick shall publicize this resolution and through this publicity shall cause owners of real estate, developers, and builders to become aware of their respective responsibilities and rights under the Federal Fair Housing Law, the New York State Human Rights Law, and any local laws or ordinances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the municipality will at a minimum include, but not be limited to: (1) the printing and publicizing of this resolution, a fair housing public notice and other applicable fair housing information through local media, community contacts and placement on the Municipal website and in other social media; (2) distribution of posters, flyers, and any other means which will bring to the attention of those affected, the knowledge of their respective responsibilities and rights concerning equal opportunity in housing.

Trustee McManus presented the foregoing resolution which was seconded by Trustee Lindberg,

The vote on the foregoing resolution was as follows:

Barry Cheney, Trustee, voting	Aye
William Lindberg, Trustee, voting	Aye
Eileen Patterson, Trustee, voting	Aye
George McManus, Trustee, voting	Aye
Michael Newhard, Mayor, voting	Aye

Discussion Prior to Vote

Trustee Cheney: Question for discussion. Have we done this previously?

Mayor Newhard: No, this is for our HUD grant.

Trustee Cheney: Then I guess I have some questions maybe for our attorney. The first resolved, it says within available resources we will assist all persons who feel they been discriminated against, what does that mean to us?

Stephen Gaba: Somebody comes to you and says there's a problem in the Village of Warwick you can't get a rental, or you can't get a listing or something in the event that you're of whatever persuasion you're of.

Trustee Cheney: Right, right.

Stephen Gaba: And that person should receive some assistance in how to file a compliant with the division of human rights. The village might follow up with a supporting letter or request an investigation of their own, it doesn't obligate the village however to other than be receptive to do anything. You don't have to hire counsel for them, you don't have to provide them with legal advice, just if you come here and say to the clerk, "Hey, I have a problem", they will direct you to the Mayor or whatever it is that points you in the right direction.

Trustee Cheney: So, we can direct the person or persons to the County Human Rights.

Stephen Gaba: Absolutely.

Trustee Cheney: Ok.

Stephen Gaba: It's really nominal obligations on the municipality, you have to post notice on your website and usually post this on your local bulletin board so that people can uh, anything else you might want to do to help along this issue will certainly be welcomed but those are your only two obligations.

Trustee Cheney: I mean it says at a minimum we'd be responsible for the distribution of posters, flyers and other means. How extensive is that?

Stephen Gaba: It's does say that, it does say that, but it does say, let me see here, it's in order to assist those who need it or something along those lines. Here we go, in the means which will bring attention to those affected the knowledge of their respected responsibilities and rights

concerning opportunity in housing. So, I mean you're not going to go putting flyers underneath windshield wipers in the parking lot out there along the street or anything like that.

Trustee McManus: We can't do that.

Stephen Gaba: More so, you wouldn't do that. My point is the flyers wouldn't be particularly helpful if you did do that. So, there is no real reason for you, if you want to have some of them picked up in Village Hall, that's great.

Trustee Patterson: Or on hand to hand out to somebody who's coming in for help to say, here this is the.

Stephen Gaba: Exactly, right, but you're not obligated to institute a program where you are going to be disseminating information above and beyond putting it on your website and posting it.

Trustee Cheney: But we wouldn't have to provide something to the realtors in town, that they display in their offices that would give some...

Stephen Gaba: You're not obligated to, no. If you determine that would be an effective way of appraising people of their rights, you could do that. But unless you have reason to believe that realtors in your village are discriminating, why would you, even then you couldn't make them do it. I mean, you have to hand this out, I mean it's not going to.

Trustee Cheney: We are passing a resolution and I was just curious as to what our obligations were in those particular areas.

Stephen Gaba: Everybody is. It's kind of...

Trustee Patterson: It's written pretty loosely.

Stephen Gaba: It's a clunky resolution that the states put out but if you want to apply for new development block grant you have to adopt this. But your obligations are not onerous, the village isn't undertaking anything that's going to be costly under this.

Trustee Cheney: Ok.

Mayor Newhard: So, give us a roll call vote.

Reports

Trustee Lindberg's Report:

I just want to give a shout out to Playground by Design, you saw a transformation in Stanley Deming Park in seven days, Monday through Sunday, so, shout out to Hannelore Chambers and all her committee that were there every day. I thought it was very well organized, people from Ithaca from the Company did a great job supervising everybody. And we had through rain & shine and wind, we had hundreds of volunteers coming everyday and what amazed me was that all the structures that were built they were all cut onsite, there was no kits to any of the equipment. Every piece had to be cut, had to be routed, had to be cut at certain angles, had to pre-screwed and screwed and the level of attention that was made was incredible, I thought. So, we had the experts, the contractors, they had people like me and...

Mayor Newhard: And what are you?

Trustee Cheney: I think at this point we should ask the Board for the benefit of the public to show that we all have our ten fingers still.

Raina Abramson: Yes, me too.

Mayor Newhard: Yeah, right, right, right. There was only one very minor, very minor....

Trustee Lindberg: So there still needs to be done, we've been through a punch list today, we have to lay a lot more mulch, we are putting a rubberized surface probably in two weeks or so, again a lot of cleanup from the site but I'm just very proud of everybody that worked on this project for years. It was a three-year project, they raised the money and I am also very proud of Mike, the DPW Supervisor, we had three or four DPW folks there everyday at their regular time. You know Mike Finelli, Jason and Chris Kane, they worked...

Mayor Newhard: Tony.

Trustee Lindberg: And Tony, I'm sorry, Tony. They worked their hours but then most of them worked up until 9:00 PM at night.

Trustee Patterson: On a volunteer basis.

Trustee Lindberg: On a volunteer basis.

Mayor Newhard: And on Saturday and Sunday.

Trustee Lindberg: Saturday, Sunday they were there too. So, big shout out to them.

Mayor Newhard: Amazing.

Trustee Patterson: If I can just add to that, I hope that this dynamic amazing group of volunteers, I hope we don't let them get to far and we harness that energy and direct it someplace else. I think just as they have followed Kim Corkum's lead, because she was the one who developed the playground the last time...

Mayor Newhard: That's right.

Trustee Patterson: And went on to do amazing things for our community and continues to do amazing things for our community whether it's the Fire Department, the Chamber of Commerce, the Hospital, all the things that you can think of. I hope that they continue to follow in Kim's footsteps and pay tribute to the work that she did for the last generation and this generation and I would kind of filter them towards the fire department who needs volunteers, the historical society who needs volunteers because they are an amazing group of woman, people, not just woman.

Mayor Newhard: I was thinking the waste water treatment plant.

Trustee McManus: That's where I was going.

Mayor Newhard: The design, build week.

Trustee Cheney: How are their concrete forming skills?

Mike Moser: Some of them might have concrete skills.

Trustee Patterson: It was amazing though to watch.

Mayor Newhard: I just want to interject that what I saw was not only was a community coming together but it was development leadership.

Trustee Patterson: Oh yeah.

Mayor Newhard: It was truly that. I saw young women and men who started kind of pretty quiet as part of a group and by the end of this two and a half year, three-year exodus has become strong leaders within the community, and they will do remarkable things.

Trustee Patterson: Yes, I think so too.

Mayor Newhard: So, George, I'm sorry I jumped in before your...

Trustee McManus: I just admit I'm too old to build like we did there.

Mayor Newhard: Well I was heartened to see everyone of the Trustees, the Village Clerk, everyone took up the shovel, or wheelbarrow and or skill saw or whatever and helped make this a reality. To be honest I was down at the park today and there were moms with their kids, and they were like that on the other side of the fence, waiting. It's going to be a couple of weeks in reality because it has to, everything is there, it has to be created to be completely safe and so there is landscaping that has to be done, the poured in place surfacing that has to come and so there are a lot of details, finishing details that have to be reconciled and they will. We really look forward to those kids climbing all over that incredible castle, barn and apple house and all those other fun things.

Trustee Patterson's Report:

Trustee Patterson: I just wanted to talk about the Two Good to Toss and Earth Fest this weekend at Stanley Deming and the other part of the park. It's a great free swap where people are encouraged to go through their stuff and decide that some of it is too good to toss, too good to throw away, so you can bring it down and donate it to the cause on Friday...

Trustee Cheney: Saturday.

Trustee McManus: Saturday.

Trustee Patterson: I'm sorry, Saturday and then on Sunday everything gets organized by the good to toss elves on Saturday night and then on Sunday it is open for shopping, free, shopping to come and just take what you can use and can carry.

At the same time Earth Fest will be going on in the rest of the park which is a tribute to recycling efforts and market makers in the community. And then also, on Saturday, thank you for writing that down Michael, also in town on Saturday is the Warwick Valley Chamber of Commerce expo where all the local businesses in town come out and show off their wares and services and it's a good opportunity to get to know what local businesses are in town and how we can continue to shop locally. And that will be at least at Railroad and I think up Main Street they have...

Mayor Newhard: Up Main Street as well, yeah. So, thank you Eileen.

Trustee Patterson: Sure.

Mayor Newhard's Report:

Mayor Newhard: I just want to reach out to you folks and say thank you for coming to our meetings, we appreciate your presence and we are listening to your voices. It's very important, you fill the room and that's great and it's also a way of getting to know you better and I think that is all part of what makes a community great. So, thank you very much.

Alfredo Pacheco: Thank you. And I want to remind you that Friday...

Mayor Newhard: Friday, yes.

Alfredo Pacheco: we have forums about the driver's license. So, you are all invited to attend.

Mayor Newhard: Why don't you give us all the information on that, it's Friday night.

Alfredo Pacheco: Friday night at 7:00 pm, Warwick Reform Church.

Mayor Newhard: The Warwick Reform Church.

Alfredo Pacheco: They are organizing it.

Mayor Newhard: Ok

Alfredo Pacheco: You are all invited to it.

Trustee Patterson: And what is it for?

Alfredo Pacheco: We are going to talk about the driver's license campaign and also, they want to talk more about municipal IDs so it would be could if you can be there.

Trustee Patterson: Yeah

Mayor Newhard: I've reached out to Jen Metzger's office and I haven't...

Alfredo Pacheco: She's busy.

Mayor Newhard: She's busy, I don't know if she's going to be able to attend or not. Have you spoken to them?

Alfredo Pacheco: Yes, we sent them an email, but she has to go to a wedding this weekend.

Mayor Newhard: Ok.

Alfredo Pacheco: Something related to that. She might send one of her staff.

Mayor Newhard: That would be great. Ok very good.

Alfredo Pacheco: Also, have you tried to contact (inaudible).

Mayor Newhard: Oh, I did not, I didn't know that our, I will.

Alfredo Pacheco: Our apologies. Alright.

Mayor Newhard: Very good, ok thank you.

Trustee McManus' Report:

Trustee McManus: I just have a couple things.

Mayor Newhard: Ok, yes.

Trustee McManus: Operation clean sweep was this past weekend; the Prevention Coalition did their prescription drug take back which was a success. I didn't get a report on how many pounds they took but they took enough. The Lions Club did their shredding and took out about nine tons of people's documents to get rid of. People are really starting to look forward to that truck, they (inaudible) off.

Mayor Newhard: Yes, cost savings, good.

Trustee McManus: And this Friday night the high school is their Empty Bowls, but this year it is an ice cream social.

Trustee Patterson: Yeah, it's such a good idea, what time?

Trustee Cheney: 5:00 to 8:00 pm.

Trustee McManus: 4:00 to 8:00 pm or 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Trustee Cheney: 5:00 to 8:00 pm, that's what I got on my calendar.

Trustee McManus: 5:00 to 8:00 pm, that's sounds right. It's their annual fundraiser for hunger and instead of soup and stuff they are doing ice cream instead.

Mayor Newhard: I think that will be a draw.

Trustee McManus: I think it will be, yeah. I don't know who is supplying the ice cream or where it's coming from, but everybody can have ice cream.

Trustee Cheney: Who's going to complain?

Trustee McManus: So, high school, Friday night for Empty Bowls. Thank you.

Mayor Newhard: Thank you very much. Final comments from the floor?

Final Comments from the Floor

Alfredo Pacheo: They are just wondering if there is anymore volunteer work for the park. Are there anymore volunteer days or no?

Mayor Newhard: You know what, there are, because they are still things that are being accomplished, right Bill. So, if you go to the website and through there you can find a contact which

Trustee Patterson: Warwick Playground Dreams

Mayor Newhard: Warwick Playground Dreams

Trustee Patterson: .org

Mayor Newhard: .org

Alfredo Pacheo: Do you have to register to be part of it.

Trustee Patterson: You really don't but it will just give you, I'm sorry.

Mayor Newhard: No, go ahead.

Trustee Patterson: You really don' have to at least during this past week, they were to the point you really don't have to register, they will at least let you know what they are looking for and if you're Facebook users they're posting regularly.

Alfredo Pacheco: On Facebook.

Trustee McManus: They got to spread mulch, right.

Mayor Newhard: Right.

Mike Moser: We can't just have people just have people show up.

Trustee Patterson: No, to check the schedule to see if they need volunteers and then you will get an idea.

Mayor Newhard: To understand, their skill levels so if somebody feels comfortable with using drills and saws then they say yes, and they sign a waiver obviously. But if that is not your skill level then you are identified, and you will just do mulching, prep work, or site work. So, it's pretty inclusive to anybody who wants to help. We would love you to be part of that too.

Alfredo Pacheco: Thank you.

Mayor Newhard: Anybody else?

Alfredo Pacheco: Would it be possible to have the next meeting to have the resolution there or what's...

Mayor Newhard: Our next meeting is in just a few days. I mean it's next Monday. So, I don't know if there will be enough time but at least we will get the resolution here and we will start discussing it as a Board. And I think our legal counsel will be looking at it too.

Alfredo Pacheco: Alright.

Trustee Patterson: And so just to be clear the resolution just expresses our support of legislation that another Board is going to...

Alfredo Pacheco: Correct, pretty much it's just a letter of support.

Mayor Newhard: Right, exactly.

Trustee Patterson: Which is similar to the fair housing act that we did tonight.

Alfredo Pacheco: And to keep ICE out of courts if they don't have an official warrant, that's all.

Mayor Newhard: That's right.

Trustee Patterson: I just want to read it and see it, I don't you know, I don't think it's a problem.

Alfredo Pacheco: I mean it would be nice if we can email it to you guys today and you guys have it by Monday. I don't know how long it takes...

Trustee Cheney: Well the agenda is made up on Wednesday

Trustee Patterson: For the following Monday

Trustee Cheney: For the following Monday so it will probably be a little difficult.

Trustee Patterson: But we want to give our attorney an opportunity to review it to make sure that it is, so we can do it probably, it's a reasonable expectation that it will be on the second meeting in May.

Alfredo Pacheco: Ok

Mayor Newhard: Ok, very good.

Trustee Patterson: I'm not saying that it will be but I'm saying it's a reasonable expectation.

Mayor Newhard: No, but that's a reasonable expectation.

Mayor Newhard: So, no executive session?

Alfredo Pacheco: Does somebody propose the resolution? How does that work? Does somebody take it on and proposes it or just, like somebody in the other cities somebody runs with a resolution, proposes it, and then, is that how...

Trustee Patterson: It would be just be like we had in our motions tonight, it would be included in our packet, usually it's brought

Alfredo Pacheco: Oh, ok

Trustee Patterson: to us from another organization or maybe one of the trustees. Once we all had a chance to look at it, then we read it in and then at that point the Board has a, each individual Board member has the right to vote, Yay or Nay for it.

Alfredo Pacheco: Thank you.

Mayor Newhard: Ok. May I have a motion to close the meeting.

Adjournment

A **MOTION** was made by Trustee McManus, seconded by Trustee Cheney and carried to adjourn the regular Village Board meeting at approximately 8:45 p.m.

Raina M. Abramson, Village Clerk