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**NEWTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN
DATE: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2020
TIME: 6:00PM
Zoom Conference Call**

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order

Chairman Burrill called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

As Chairman of the Board of Selectmen for the Town of Newton NH, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically.

Please note that there is no physical location to observe or listen contemporaneously to this meeting which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that we are:
Utilizing Zoom Conference Call for this electronic meeting. All members of the Board have the ability to communicate during this meeting through this platform, and the public has access to contemporaneously listen and, if necessary, participate in this meeting through dialing the following phone #929 205 6099. Meeting ID number is 86907536632. Or using the link provided here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86907536632>

We previously gave the notice to the public of the necessary information for accessing the meeting, including how to access the conference call via phone.

If anyone has a problem, please email nwrigley@newtonnh.net. In the event the public is unable to access the meeting, the meeting will be adjourned and rescheduled.

Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by roll call vote.

Utilizing Zoom Video Conferencing was Chairman Matthew A. Burrill, Selectmen Lawrence B. Foote, Lisa L. Gonyer, Kathryn Michaels and Charles R. Melvin, Sr.

The Public and Non-Public Meeting Minutes were transcribed and typed by Chairman Matthew A. Burrill.

Nonpublic Session under RSA 91-A:3 II (a) Compensation (c) – Reputation

Selectman Gonyer moved to go into Non-Public under RSA 91-A:3 II (a) Compensation at 6:02pm. Seconded by Selectman Melvin with a roll call vote: Burrill – aye, Foote - aye, Gonyer – aye, Michaels – aye, Melvin – aye.

Selectman Gonyer moved to close the non-public session at 6:27 pm. Seconded by Selectman Foote with a unanimous roll call vote: Burrill – aye, Foote – aye, Gonyer – aye, Michaels – aye, Melvin – aye.

Selectman Gonyer moved that the Board just came out of a non-public session under RSA 91-A: 3 II (c) – Reputation and that they keep all matters discussed confidential until in the opinion of the majority of the Board the circumstances no longer apply. Seconded by Selectman Foote with a roll call vote: Burrill – aye, Gonyer – aye, Michaels – aye, Foote – aye, Melvin – aye.

Chairman Burrill announced that the Board has tendered a new employment contract to Police Chief Michael Jewett effective from 12/21/20 - 12/21/23, with a starting annual salary of \$78,419.35.

Selectman Burrill moved to adjourn at 6:29 PM Seconded by Selectman Gonyer with a unanimous roll call vote: Burrill – aye, Foote – aye, Gonyer – aye, Michaels – aye, Melvin – aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew A. Burrill, Chairman
BOARD OF SELECTMEN