May 31, 2016 Board of Selectmen Minutes

NEWTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

DATE: TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2016

TIME: 6:00PM

LOCATION: NEWTON TOWN HALL, 2 TOWN HALL ROAD

Town Hall Hours: Monday - Wednesday, 8am - 4pm; Thursday 12pm - 8pm

PUBLIC MEETING

Call to Order

Chairman Doggett called the meeting to order at 6:02pm. In attendance were Selectmen James L. Doggett, Chairman, Matthew A. Burrill, Vice Chairman, Robert S. Donovan, Jr., Lawrence B. Foote, Lisa L. Gonyer, Town Administrator Nancy J. Wrigley and Office Manager Mary B. Winglass. The public meeting was audiotaped; minutes were transcribed and typed by Office Manager Winglass. The nonpublic meeting minutes were transcribed and typed by Town Administrator Wrigley.

Selectman Burrill moved to go into Nonpublic Session under RSA 91-A:3 II (a) – (c) – HR Matters. Second by Foote with a unanimous roll call vote: Doggett – yes, Burrill – yes, Donovan, - yes, Foote – yes, Gonyer – yes.

Selectman Burrill moved that the Board of Selectmen just came from a Nonpublic Meeting under RSA 91-A:3 II (a) and to keep all discussion confidential until in the opinion of the majority of the members the circumstances no longer apply. Second by Gonyer with a unanimous roll call vote: Doggett – yes, Burrill – yes, Donovan – yes, Foote – yes, Gonyer – yes.

Selectman Burrill moved to hire Michael Jewett, who is currently a Sergeant with the Newton Police Department, as the Interim Chief of the Police Department at a rate of \$33 per hour with an effective date of June 1, 2016 and end date of November 30th with the intention to review his performance with the Board of Selectmen no later than November 30, 2016. Second by Donovan with a unanimous roll call vote.

Selectman Burrill added that the Board will be seeking professional opinions under RSA105, the full privileges as a Police Chief if the Board hires versus appoints Michael Jewett. This will need to be researched and discussed further; at the next Selectmen's Meeting on June 7th the Board will publically announce the hiring of Michael Jewett.

Memorial Day Parade/Ceremony – present were Road Agent Mike Pivero and Police Chief Michael Jewett. Memorial Day Parade/Ceremony was cancelled due to rain. The Board discussed rescheduling to Saturday June 4, 2016 but found that many are unable to attend on this date to include this year's Grand Marshall. The consensus was to unfortunately not to reschedule the event; we were rained out and will have to wait until next year.

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of Minutes (Review prior to meeting)
- Selectmen's Public and Nonpublic Meeting minutes dated May 3, 2016, May 10, 2016 and May 17, 2016

Selectman Gonyer moved to approve the Selectmen's Public and Nonpublic Meeting minutes dated May 3, 2016, May 10, 2016 and May 17, 2016. Second by Burrill with a unanimous vote.

- Scheduled Business
- Announcements
- Other Business, Sign Manifests, Requisitions, Abatements, Tax Credits, Correspondence and Appointments

Selectman Foote moved to sign the Vendor Manifest dated 5/31/2016 in the amount of \$275,272.33. Second by Gonyer with a unanimous vote.

Selectman Donovan moved to sign the Payroll Manifest for the pay period of 05/15/2016 – 05/28/2016 with a pay date of 06/02/2016. Second by Gonyer with a unanimous vote.

Selectman Gonyer moved to sign an abatement refund for PID#11-6-6 in the amount of \$568.12 per the recommendation of the Town Assessor. Second by Burrill with a unanimous vote.

Selectman Burrill moved to sign a paper abatement refund for PID#9-3-4 in the amount of \$191.04 per the recommendation of the Town Assessor. Second by Gonyer with a unanimous vote.

Selectman Burrill moved to sign a Forest Fire Bill in the amount of \$864.28. Second by Donovan with a unanimous vote.

Selectman Gonyer moved to approve a letter to the Trustee of Trust Funds from the Board of Selectmen authorizing a payment of \$5,259.00 from the Emergency Ops Center Trust Fund. Second by Burrill with a unanimous vote.

Adjourn

Selectman Donovan moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:56pm. Second by Gonyer with a unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Winglass, Office Manager