

WEARE BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES June 20, 2016

PRESENT: TOM CLOW, VICE CHAIRMAN; JENNIFER BOHL, SELECTMAN; FREDERICK W. HIPPLER, SELECTMAN; JOHN (JACK) MEANEY, SELECTMAN

NOT PRESENT: KEITH R. LACASSE, CHAIRMAN;

RECORDING SECRETARY: Kathleen Humphreys

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR: Naomi Bolton

GUESTS: Jan Snyder, Chief Sean Kelly, Monique Brock, Matt Belletete, Katie Belletete, Rachel Belletete, Kayla Belletete, Judy Belletete, Ernie Belletete, Marge Burke, Sheila Savaria, Emily Dauphinais, Alexander G. Gatzoulis, Stephanie Brock, Bill Brock, Wayne W. Granville, Gregg W. Granville, Judith Granville, Debby Weatherby, Jessica Chabot, Liana Gray, Jaime Chabot, Woodrow Weatherby, Ryan Frisbee, Austin Maguire, Jacob Hatch and Joyce Bosse.

7:00 p.m. Vice Chairman Clow called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Swearing-in of new full-time Police Officer

Police Chief Sean Kelly read the following remarks:

This evening marks the end of several months of work to bring a candidate to be a Weare Police Officer to the Board. We started this process by looking at the written test scores of more than 200 candidates. That number was whittled down using a time proven method that combines self-selection, community participation and Police Standards mandates. In the end, after multiple interviews, an extensive background investigation, fitness, medical and psychological testing and a comprehensive polygraph examination, I am pleased to introduce to the Town, Mr. Matthew Belletete.

Matthew is 22 years old; he is not married, though he is accompanied this evening by his girlfriend of four years, Monique.

Matt was born in Peterborough and raised in Jaffrey by his parents, Ernie and Paula. Matt has two younger sisters, Katie and Rachel. Matthews father is a Captain with the Peterborough Police Department.

Matt graduated from Conant High School and pursued higher education at the University of New Haven, where he double-majored, earning a Bachelor of Arts in both Criminal Justice and Psychology. Mattøs time at the University of New Haven included a semester in Italy; and, though our background investigator noted this in his report, much to his disappointment, he did not get to travel to Italy to track Mattøs movements!

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Mattøs work history is brief; he has shown remarkable loyalty to his former employers, all of whom have highly recommended Matt for police work. Matthew will be scheduled to attend the 171st Police Academy beginning August 29th. After graduation in December, he will be assigned to Field Training for a period of at least 12 weeks. In March 2017, Matthew will be assigned to shift work.

With that, Selectman Clow, it is my recommendation to the Board that you swear in Matthew Belletete as a Police Officer for the Town of Weare.

Selectman Meaney moved, Selectman Hippler seconded to hire Matthew Belletete as a full-time police officer for the town of Weare. Motion passed 4-0-0.

Matthew Belletete was sworn-in by Vice Chair Clow. His girlfriend Monique Brock presented his badge.

DEPARTMENT HEAD AND COMMITTEE ITEMS

Award Presentation to staff and department update: Chief Sean Kelly

Officer Woodrow Weatherby and Officer Sheila Savaria were presented with a certificate and a commendation bar for each saving the life of a resident due to their quick actions during medical emergencies.

Lt. Hebert was not present to receive his award tonight.

Department Update:

In 2016 the Weare Police Department investigated 7 sexual assaults; 16 assaults other than domestic, 26 acts of stalking and harassment; 43 thefts; 46 crashes; 75 cases of DWI or transportation of alcohol or substances.

Fleet update reported for the first time since May 8, 2016 the fleet is close to back to normal. Car 1 is still out and was on the road three days before it broke down again.

The overhead door was replaced and the Code Enforcement Office will do an inspection.

New Furnace for Library discussion:

Library Director Chris Hague does not have the new quotes in hand yet but expects them soon.

Ms. Hague reported concerns over an old maple tree in which branches have been falling in the walkway but there is a question whose property the maple tree is on. The tree is too big for the highway department to take down but they can remove a second tree of concern. Therefore the library received a quote from Abair Tree Service for \$600 which she felt was a very reasonable price. They have a bucket lift and are an insured company.

Selectman Hippler moved, Selectman Meaney seconded to hire Abair Tree Service to remove the large maple tree at the town library. Motion passed 4-0-0.

Joint Loss

Selectman Meaney moved, Selectman Hippler seconded to authorize Vice Chairman Clow to sign the joint loss statement. Motion passed 4-0-0.

Chris Hague is set to retire as Library Director in which she served for 17 years. She has been involved with the library for 37 years. She thanked the Board for their support to the library over the years and the Board thanked her for her service and felt she has been one of the most supportive of people who have come before them.

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Gazebo:

Discussed repairs to the gazebo need to be done prior to the Patriotic Celebration.

Selectman Meaney moved, Selectman Hippler seconded to approve up to \$1,000 to shore up the gazebo. Motion passed 4-0.

MEETING MINUTES

Selectman Hippler moved, Selectman Bohl seconded to approve the minutes of May 23, 2016 as amended. Passed 4-0-0

Selectman Hippler moved, Selectman Meaney seconded to approve the minutes of June 6, 2016 as amended. Passed 4-0-0

MANIFESTS

Vice Chairman Clow moved, Selectman Meaney seconded to order the Treasurer to sign accounts payable and payroll checks dated June 23, 2016 as included in the following manifests:

Payrolls Manifest \$ 66,073.42

(Weekly, monthly and quarterly payroll including insurance buyouts and stipends)

Accounts Payable Manifest \$ 223,260.90

TOTAL \$ 289,334.32

The following manifests were previously ordered to sign at the June 6, 2016 Board of Selectmen meeting:

Payrolls Manifest \$ 42,100.37

(Weekly payroll check date 06/16/16)

There is no Selectmen's meeting scheduled for Monday, June 27, 2016,

To order the Treasurer to sign payroll checks dated June 30, 2016 and July 7, 2016 estimated to be about \$80,000.00. Furthermore, to order the treasurer to sign up to the amount of \$50,000.00 for accounts payable that cannot wait until the next scheduled meeting of July 6, 2016 without incurring late charges or interest. Reports and actual check amounts will be reported to the Board of Selectmen by inclusion on the Manifest Memo at the next scheduled meeting.

Passed 5-0-0

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

The traffic count data is available for the õNo Thru Truckingö review. It will be discussed in July.

The first draft of the social media policy was emailed to the Board earlier today

The Noise Ordinance Subcommittee: Meetings have been held and minutes are on the website.

Feasibility Subcommittee for the Firing Range: Meetings have been held and minutes are on the website.

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Bids for work at Town Hall: One bid was received and other contractors asked for more time.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jan Snyder asked about insurance buyouts that were listed in the manifest. She was told it was for full-time employees not accepting the insurance.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

OTHER BUSINESS

None

Vice Chairman Clow moved, Selectman Bohl seconded to enter into nonpublic session @ 7:58 p.m. pursuant to the authority granted in RSA 91-A:3II (a&c). A roll call vote was taken, Selectman Bohl – yes; Selectman Hippler – yes; Vice Chairman Clow – yes; Selectman Meaney – yes. Passed 4-0-0

Vice Chairman Clow moved, Selectman Hippler seconded to come out of nonpublic session @ 8:42 p.m. A roll call vote was taken, Selectman Bohl – yes; Selectman Hippler – yes; Vice Chairman Clow – yes; Selectman Meaney – yes. Passed 4-0-0

Vice Chairman Clow moved, Selectman Meaney seconded to seal and restrict these minutes of this nonpublic session. Passed 4-0-0.

ADJOURNMENT

A True Record.

Kathleen Humphreys, Recording Secretary

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