MINUTES BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING JULY 25, 2014

CALL TO ORDER/OPENING

Chairman Buckley called the meeting to order at 1:01pm. Chair Thomas E. Buckley, III, Vice-Chair Dianna Provencher, 2nd Vice-Chair Douglas Belanger, Selectwoman Sandra Wilson and Town Administrator Kevin Mizikar were in attendance. Selectmen Dennison had a prior commitment and could not attend this special meeting of the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No members of the public were present.

1. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Appointment of Full Time Police Officers
 - James Murphy
 - Matthew Brady
 - Michael Lombardozzi

Mr. Mizikar reviewed the steps that the Board has taken in previous meetings to arrive at this point in the appointment process. The officers are being appointed in the order of civil service seniority as intermittent officers.

Chief of Police James J. Hurley explained the process going forward from for the conditional appointment that the Board is being asked approve, through the Full Time Police Academy that will be conducted by the State Police in September. The officers will be required to pass pre-academy medical physicals and a physical aptitude test prior to being able to apply to the Academy.

Ms. Wilson questioned how many officers would be sent to the Academy at one time. Chief Hurley stated that the intention, based upon the advice of Labor Counsel received yesterday, is to send all three officers to the September Academy because this will determine their full time seniority dates with Civil Service. The next known academy date is not until 2015. The Town has not been guaranteed any spots in the September Academy and time is of the essence.

A motion was made by Ms. Wilson and seconded by Ms. Provencher to appoint James Murphy, Matthew Brady, and Michael Lombardozzi as full time police officers conditioned upon meeting all pre-academy requirements, successfully completing the full time police academy and any other matters required by the Town. The motion was seconded by Ms. Provencher. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Police Academy Waiver Authorization

Chief Hurley explained to the Board that given that the three officers are not guaranteed academy spots the Town may need to seek a waiver for up to all three to work as full time officers prior to academy training. This is because the department currently has three open full time positions and the Town have been made aware of another retirement in September.

A motion was made by Ms. Provencher and seconded by Mr. Belanger to authorize Police Academy waivers for James Murphy, Matthew Brady, and Michael Lombardozzi. The motion carried unanimously.

2. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

None given.

3. BOARD OF SELECTMEN REPORTS

Mr. Belanger provided an update State Representative Binienda whom he recently visited. Mr. Belanger encouraged the Board to visit the Representative as he is feeling better.

ADJOURN

Motion for adjournment was made by Ms. Provencher at 1:30pm and seconded by Mr. Belanger. All were in favor.