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SELECTMEN'S MEETING AGENDA FOR JUNE 23, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.  
SELECTMEN'S CHAMBERS, TOWN HALL, 272 MAIN STREET, TOWNSEND, MA

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES**

*Governor Baker declared a State of Emergency to respond to COVID-19 on March 10, 2020 and ordered a suspension of certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law M.G.L. c. 30A, s 20.*

*The Board of Selectmen closed the town offices, including boards and committee meetings consistent with the Governor's order, to public access to promote social distancing and reduce the spread of COVID-19.*

*For those wishing to participate in a meeting, the dial-in number is (605) 313-5800 and the access code is 357174.*

**VI: EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion by DK second by WM to enter into Executive Session pursuant to GL c. 30A, s. 21(a)(2) to conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel, RE, Police Chief, Fire Chief and Town Administrator and to return to open session after adjourning from executive session.

Roll call vote: DK-aye, WM-aye.

**Police Chief.**

JK updated the Board re: draft contract with Chief Sartell. All of Board comments from the prior meeting have been accepted by the Chief and he requested the removal of the "Comp Time" section and further requested to have just cause defined as "misfeasance, malfeasance or nonfeasance."

Counsel has approved of the contract with those two requested changes.

Motion DK second WM to accept the contract as presented and to affirm the vote in open session and execute the contract.

Roll call vote: DK-aye, WM-aye.

Fire Chief

JK updated the Board re: draft contract with Chief Boynton. Per Board discussion at the last meeting JK converted the chief's current contract into the format of the document approved for Police Chief Sartell and shared it with Chief Boynton to include no agreement with his proposal of a 3%, 3%, 3% over the contract and a 10% stipend if TEMA was ever made his responsibility. The Board's expressed rationale is that with the budget we are facing as a result of COVID-19 there can be no raises given until we have a better sense of our finances and that it is premature to discuss the TEMA responsibilities as we currently have a TEMA Director.

Chief Boynton raised several concerns, primarily that it is not fair that his employees will get a 2.5% step and he would get nothing. JK to meet with Chief when he is back from vacation to further discuss.

No vote.

Town Administrator-

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Motion by DK second by WY to adjourn executive session and re-enter open session.

Roll call vote: DK-aye, WM-aye.

Re-entered open session.

*Voted to approve the executive session minutes for the meeting of June 23, 2020 by the Board of Selectmen this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2020.*

*Voted to release the REDACTED executive session minutes for the meeting of June 23, 2020, by the Board of Selectmen this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2020.*

