Hinsdale Select Board Meeting Minutes

Date: April 10, 2024 Time: 6:30 pm

Place: Hinsdale Town Hall

1st Floor Community Room 39 South St, Hinsdale MA

Present: Chair Bartholomew Collins; Ray Huntoon; Earl Peck; TA Bob Graves; Admin. Asst. Clarissa Mitchell

- 1. Chair Collins opened the meeting at 6:30 pm, stated recording notice, and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Review/Approve Previous Meeting Minutes—Ray motions to accept the minutes written from 3/27/24, and Earl seconds it. All said, aye.
- 3. Review Meeting Time—The Select Board changed the meeting time from 7:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. during winter so people could get home earlier if the weather were bad. After discussing it, Ray motioned to keep the board meeting time at 6:30 p.m., and Earl seconds. All said, Aye.
- 4. Appoint Officer Dominic Crupi—Ray motions to appoint Dominic Crupi as a full-time Sergeant and Bart seconds after a lengthy discussion. All said, aye.
- 5. Discuss Police Chief Position & Possible Interim Chief
 - a. Chief Rathbun- Chief Rathbun's resignation letter was dated January 22, 2024, and was not accepted until March 13, 2024. Her letter states she will be done on or before July 22th. The board wanted a firm date of when she would be done. After discussing it, Chair Collins motioned to accept her retirement date as May 31, 2024, Peck seconds. All said, Aye. Chief Rathbun has four weeks of vacation time and anything else that must be calculated and paid out when she leaves.
 - Officer Shawn Boyne discussed his extensive background in law enforcement. He would be interested in the interim chief position but would want to know what the Select Board is looking for in a candidate and the expectations of being in that role.
- 6. Communications and Reports from Department Heads, Boards, Chairs
 - a. Jamie Callahan- DPW Sup
 - I just started the Surface Water Protection Plan that the State requires. Mass Rural Water Association is helping with the report. They expressed their concerns about having only one water source.
 - Jimmy Fox will be returning on Monday to start grading.
 - We will be hanging flags soon for Memorial Day.

Earl Peck- SB Member