



*City of Taunton
Municipal Council Meeting Minutes*

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*Temporary City Hall, 141 Oak Street, Taunton, MA
Minutes, October 29, 2013 at 7: 05o'clock P.M.*

Regular Meeting

Mayor Thomas C. Hoye, Jr. presiding

Prayer was offered by the Mayor

At this time, the Mayor asked for a moment of silence for Brian Marques, Conservation Commission, Nancy Benoit, former member of Weir Corp and employee at the City Hall and Myron Bloom, Bloom Butcher Shop.

Present at roll call were:

Councilor's Barbour, Carr, McCaul, Pottier, Costa Hanlon,

Medeiros, Cleary, Marshall

Councilor Colton was absent

Record of preceding meeting was read by Title and Approved. So Voted.

Hearing:

On the petition submitted by Steven J. Callahan, 17 East Grove Street, Middleboro for the issuance of a Special Permit to allow a telecommunications tower at 760 County Street located in the Rural Residential District. **Motion was made to open the Hearing. So Voted. Motion was made to invite into the enclosure Mr. Callahan and Mr. Lopes of 46 Davis Street, Taunton. So Voted.** The City Clerk read communication from the Chairman, Taunton Planning Board submitting a positive recommendation (with department comments). **Motion was made to make part of the hearing. So Voted.**

The City Clerk read communication from the Conservation Agent, Michele Restino submitting information on applicant regarding the issuance of an Order of Conditions from the Taunton Conservation Commission on August 14, 2013. **Motion was made to make part of the hearing. So Voted.** The City Clerk read communication from the Taunton Municipal Airport Commission, Dan Raposa, submitting information that the applicant needs to contact both the FAA and MassDOT to determine if they need to file FAA Form 7460-1 and MassDOT E-10 Form. **Motion was made to make part of the hearing. So Voted.** The City Clerk read communication from the Board of Health, Adam Vickstrom submitting no response on the project. **Motion was made to make part of the hearing. So Voted.** The Mayor asked for clarification on the communication from the Airport Commission regarding forms needed to be filed. Councilor Medeiros stated that the application was discussed both at the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting. The filing of FAA Form 7460-1 is concurrent with the filing of the FCC. Mr. Callahan stated that he has owned and operated WVBF 1530AM radio station for twenty-two (22) years. They presently operate from a tower site in Middleboro and about six (6) years ago he purchased WPEP. He would like to move the operations of WVBF in Middleboro closer to Taunton to the original WPEP

site. Moving seven (7) miles closer to Taunton would actually would put WVBF closer to channel 1540 located in Newport, RI. Two towers are needed, one to feed the signal and one to cancel-out the signal from Newport, RI so that the two stations will not interfere. Councilor Carr stated that the applicant has received an Order of Conditions from the Conservation Commission and wanted to make sure Mr. Callahan has received and agrees to the conditions. Councilor Cleary stated that Mr. Callahan provides very good service to the community in publicizing community events at no charge to the different agencies. He believes it would be a very valuable asset to the community and would support this. **Motion was made to open the hearing for public input. So Voted.** No one speaking in favor of or in opposition of petition. **Motion was made to close the hearing and accept the petition as presented. So Voted. Motion was made to excuse the applicant. So Voted.**

Communications from the Mayor:

The Mayor stated that he would like to give a heart-felt congratulations to Councilor Colton and his wife Brittany on the birth of their son Grady.

The Mayor stated that the 2013 City election results will be broadcasted live on TCAM, Comcast channel 15 and Verizon channel 22 from 7pm-10pm on Tuesday, November 5, 2013. The hosts for the broadcast will be former Mayor Charles Crowley and Donna Colajezzi.

The Mayor congratulated the Taunton Girls Softball League, Minor League Division Bruins for winning the Minor League Championship and the Junior League Division Eagles for winning the Junior League Championship.

Appointments:

Appointment of poll workers – The City Clerk stated that she submitted to Council members a list of poll workers to be appointed. **Motion was made to move approval as presented. So Voted. Councilor Barbour voting present.**

Communication from City Officers:

Com. from Assistant City Solicitor – responding on inquiry regarding taxes on telephone poles. Attorney deAbreu informed that information obtained through the Assessor's Office states that Verizon New England had taxable personal property in the City of Taunton for FY2013 in the amount of 35,569,200 for a tax amount of \$1,087,706.14. The taxable value for FY2014 is \$30,167,500. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Chairman, Taunton Planning Board – Notifying of a public hearing whereas the application will be reviewed by DIRB on November 19, 2013 at 10:00am and again reviewed by the Planning Board on December 5, 2013 at 5:30pm. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Executive Director – Submitting a list of Tax Increment Finance Projects. **Councilor Medeiros motioned to refer the communication to the Council President to be included for discussion on the tax rate within the next couple of weeks to the Committee of the Council as a whole. Councilor Cleary stated TIF's are misunderstood by a lot of people, when in fact, the City is providing incentives, a reduction in taxes. There are approximately ten (10) companies, mostly all in the Industrial Park who are receiving roughly \$767,000 in reductions. The city is collecting approximately \$2.2M from these companies. Also, there will be a few companies coming off the TIF in about three (3) years and will be paying a full share of the tax rate. So Voted.**

Com. from Denise Bronsdon, Town Meeting Representative, Precinct 8, 4 Capen Street, Stoughton – Submitting information distributed at Stoughton's Town Meeting on October 16, 2013 regarding the South Coast Rail Project. **Motion was made to receive and place on file. So Voted.**

Com. from Holloway Street residents – Residents submitted a thank you for the completion of the road paving on Holloway Street. **Motion was made to receive and place on file and to forward a copy to the DPW Commissioner and Hyde Paving. So Voted.**

Com. from City Clerk – Appointment of one (1) temporary full-time Fire Lieutenant. **Motion was made to appoint Giuseppe Grasso. On a roll call vote, Eight (8) Councilors present, Eight (8) Councilors voting in favor. So Voted. Councilor Colton was absent.**

Com. from City Clerk – requesting approval of Disclosure Forms for full-time Municipal Employees who participate in working as closers for the 2013 City Election. **Motion was made to approve the Disclosure Forms as presented. Councilor Cleary informed that this is for clarification purposes in open session regarding Municipal Employees working at the polls. So Voted.**

Councilor Barbour motioned to refer the information received from Mr. Cooperstein this evening regarding Tax Rate for the Municipal Council packet next week. So Voted.

Petition submitted by Gabrielle Loucks, 120 Ingell Street, #106, Taunton requesting a handicap parking space at 49-53 Main Street, Taunton to park her handicap van to accommodate her son who is in a wheelchair so he can attend church. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.**

Petition submitted by Bissie Mitchell, 262 Taunton Avenue, Seekonk requesting a renewal of her Fortune Teller's License, d/b/a Sonia's Palm Reading located at 396 Winthrop Street, Taunton. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.**

Petition submitted by Daniel Macean, 333 County Street, Taunton requesting a new Livery License, d/b/a D and P Community Transportation located at 333 County Street, Taunton. **Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and the Police Chief. So Voted.**

Hours of Operation License (Black Friday)

1. The Children's Place located at 2 Galleria Mall Dr., East Taunton, MA
2. Payless Shoe Source located at 2 Galleria Mall Dr., East Taunton, MA
3. Aeropostale located at 2 Galleria Mall Dr., East Taunton, MA
4. Hot Topic located at 2 Galleria Mall Dr., East Taunton, MA
5. Victoria's Secrets located at 2 Galleria Mall Dr., East Taunton, MA
6. Piercing Pagoda located at 2 Galleria Mall Dr., East Taunton, MA (2 Locations)
7. Radio Shack located at 2 Galleria Mall Dr., East Taunton, MA

Motion was made to refer to the Committee on Police and License and Police Chief. So Voted.

Claim submitted by Mary Zotos, 81 Jeffery Lane, Taunton seeking reimbursement for damages to her automobile from hitting a pothole on West Britannia Street traveling east. **Motion was made to refer to the Law Department. So Voted.**

Claim submitted by Minka Koleva, 30 Highland St. Apt. 3C, Taunton seeking reimbursement for damages to her automobile from hitting a construction hole at the intersection of Oak and Pine Streets. **Motion was made to refer to the Law Department. So Voted.**

Special Permit modification of an existing Special Permit to allow for the phased construction of additional paved parking spaces with associated storm water management facilities to service the proposed educational use at 101 Industrial Park Road located in the Industrial District submitted by Richard Riccio, III, Field Engineering Co., Inc. on behalf of his client William Shamon, Myles Standish Medical Center LLC, 125 Constitution Boulevard, Franklin. **Motion was made to refer to the City Clerk to schedule a public hearing. So Voted.**

The City Clerk read extra communication from the Police Chief regarding a response from the Police Department License Division on a request from Crystal McGibbons, 1517 Somerset Avenue, Dighton, MA for KJM Restaurant, d/b/a/ Tex Barry's, 15 Main Street, Taunton, MA to operate business between the hours of 1am-4am. **Motion was made to approve. Councilor Barbour informed that the Committee on Police and License did not have a discussion because Det. Smith stated that the application needed to be tweaked and it would then come back to the Committee. Councilor Barbour would like it to come back to the Committee as he has a couple of questions as to the business operating seven (7) days a week or just on weekends and is the operation of the business until 4am still in character to the area. Councilor Cleary amended his motion. So Voted.**

Committee Reports:

Councilor Costa-Hanlon stated that the Committee on Police and License had a meeting on Monday to interview eight (8) applicants from the Reserve List that was created by the Committee on Police and License. She thanked Lt. McCabe, Sgt. Santos, Det. Bonnenfant, Detective Spencer and Law Department for their assistance in getting all the information to the Committee as well as fellow Committee members, President McCaul, Councilor Carr and Pottier for being present. As a result of the interviews, a vote was taken to create a reserve list and offer conditional employment based on the candidates passing the PTA, medical and psychological exams. Based on a recommendation submitted by the Police Chief in a correspondence dated October 28, 2013, Councilor Costa-Hanlon would like to offer conditional employment to four (4) individuals. Councilor Cleary stated that the Committee on Police and License voted unanimously on the four (4) recommended individuals. **Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned to offer conditional employment to Jeremy T. Derosier. On a roll call vote, Eight (8) Councilors present, Eight (8) Councilors voting in favor. Councilor Colton was absent. Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned to offer conditional employment to Alyssa D. Lynch. On a roll call vote, Eight (8) Councilors present, Eight (8) Councilors voting in favor. Councilor Colton was absent. Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned to offer conditional employment to Casey S. Holmes. On a roll call vote, Eight (8) Councilors present, Eight (8) Councilors voting in favor. Councilor Colton was absent. Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned to offer conditional employment to Alexander R. Bergen. On a roll call vote, Eight (8) Councilors present, Eight (8) Councilors voting in favor. Councilor Colton was absent. Councilor Costa-Hanlon motioned to refer to the Police Chief for hiring dates on the candidates. Chief Walsh was present and stated that he would request a start date of December 15, 2013. So Voted. Councilor Cleary motioned to invite into the enclosure the new candidates. So Voted.**

Motion was made for Committee reports to be read by Title and Approved. So Voted.
Recommendations adopted to reflect the votes as recorded in Committee Reports. So Voted.

Unfinished Business

Councilor Cleary thanked Assistant City Solicitor de Abreu and the Board of Health for their assistance with the property on 1 Porter Street.

Orders, Ordinances and Resolutions

Ordinance for a second reading to be passed to a third reading

**AN ORDINANCE
ARTICLE III. STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING**

Sec 13-82. Prohibited parking places.

Be it ordained by the Municipal Council of the City of Taunton as follows:

That Section 13-82 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Taunton, as amended, be and hereby are further amended by adding thereto the following:

Columbus Avenue, both sides, from the intersection of Columbus Avenue with Tremont Street for a distance of 40 feet.

All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage. **Motion was made to move from a second reading to a third reading. So Voted.**

Ordinance for a second reading to be passed to a third reading

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Be it ordained by the Municipal Council of the City of Taunton as follows:

That Section 13-82 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Taunton, as amended, be and hereby are further amended by adding thereto the following:

John Street, both sides, for the entire length of the roadway.

All ordinances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage. **Motion was made to move from a second reading to a third reading. So Voted.**

Order for a first reading to be passed to a second reading

Ordered That,

\$600,000.00 is appropriated for the cost of design services for plans and specifications for (i) the replacement of the Harris Street Pumping Station, (ii) the laying and relaying of water mains on various City streets, and (iii) replacement of City water meters and meter information collection system, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow **\$600,000.00** and issue bonds or notes therefore under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other enabling authority; that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out the projects; and that the Treasurer is authorized to file an application with the Municipal Finance Oversight Board to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any or all of the bonds authorized by this order and to provide such information and execute such documents as the Municipal Finance Oversight Board may require for these purposes. **Motion was made to move from a first reading to a second reading. So Voted.**

Order for a first reading to be passed to a second reading

Ordered That,

\$8,000,000 is appropriated for the purpose of financing the construction of various improvements to the City's water system, including without limitation the (i) the replacement of the Harris Street Pumping Station, (ii) the laying and relaying of water mains on various City streets, (iii) replacement of City water meters and meter information collection system, and (iv) the construction of well pumping appurtenances and chemical feed systems, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; including without limitation all costs thereof as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C of the General Laws; that to meet this appropriation the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow **\$8,000,000** and issue bonds or notes therefor under Chapter 44 of the General Laws and/or Chapter 29C of the General Laws, or any other enabling authority; that such bonds or notes shall be general obligations of the City unless the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor determines that they should be issued as limited obligations and may be secured by local system revenues as defined in Section 1 of Chapter 29C; that the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow all or a portion of such amount from the Massachusetts Water Pollution Abatement Trust established pursuant to Chapter 29C and in connection therewith to enter into a financing agreement and/or a security agreement with the Trust and otherwise to contract with the Trust and the Department of Environmental Protection with respect to such loan and for any federal or state aid available for the project or for the financing thereof; and that the Mayor is authorized to enter into a project regulatory agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, to expend all funds available for the project and to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out the projects; and that the Treasurer is authorized to file an application with the Municipal Finance Oversight Board to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any or all of the bonds authorized by this order and to provide such information and execute such documents as the Municipal Finance Oversight Board may require for these purposes. **Motion was made to move from a first reading to a second reading. So Voted.**

Resolution

Resolution submitted by Bristol County Savings Bank, 35 Broadway, P.O. Box 4002, Taunton, designating public depository and authorizing withdrawal of Municipal Public Moneys for the City of Taunton (Principal & Assistant Principal), East Taunton Elementary School, 58R Stevens St., East Taunton. **Motion was made to move approval. So Voted.**

New Business:

Councilor Pottier motioned to request a job fair for local preference on the Harris Street Pumping Station. So Voted.

Councilor Pottier motioned to refer to the DPW Commissioner, Terrienne Drive at Diniz Drive for a sink hole. So Voted.

Councilor Pottier informed that he recently viewed a Veolia truck directly connected to a fire hydrant. Councilor Pottier motioned to refer to the DPW Commissioner or Fire Department for normal operating procedures and/or if it needs to be cleared by the Fire Department and are they directly charged for the water usage. So Voted.

Councilor Pottier stated that vehicles travelling through the city heading toward Rt. 44 West tend to want to go straight rather than around the Taunton Green. Councilor Pottier motioned to refer to the Safety Officer for a sign to be erected. So Voted.

Councilor Barbour motioned to refer to the DPW Commissioner, Crane Avenue South for signage that he feels would be appropriate to inform travelers in either direction that the bridge is narrow, there is a bend in the road and for speed. So Voted.

Councilor Carr requested clarification on the two ordinances read tonight for the water projects. She asked if the projects would be funded through the Water Enterprise System. The Mayor stated that an SRF loan will be taken out and then repaid by the Sewer Enterprise System.

Councilor McCaul reminded all that the Municipal Council Meeting will be held next week on Monday, November 4, 2013 at 7:30am.

The Mayor wished all the Councilors luck in the upcoming election.

Motion was made to adjourn at 7:45pm. So Voted.

A true copy:

Attest:



City Clerk

RMB/dmc

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
OCTOBER 29, 2013

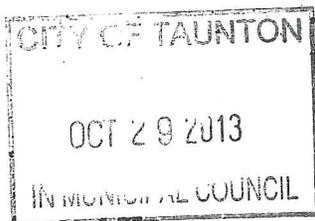
THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND SALARIES

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR DEBORAH CARR, CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILOR CLEARY

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:01 P.M.

- 1. MEET TO REVIEW THE WEEKLY VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR CITY DEPARTMENTS
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL OF THE PAYROLL WARRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,633,220.50. SO VOTED.
MOTION: MOVE APPROVAL OF THE INVOICE WARRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,044,711.26. SO VOTED.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:02 P.M.



RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

COLLEEN M. ELLIS
CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

REPORTS ACCEPTED, RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED.

CITY CLERK

CITY OF TAUNTON
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
OCTOBER 28, 2013

THE COMMITTEE ON POLICE AND LICENSE

PRESENT WERE: COUNCILOR SHERRY COSTA-HANLON, CHAIRMAN AND COUNCILORS CLEARY AND BARBOUR. ALSO PRESENT WERE COUNCILORS CARR, MCCAUL AND POTTIER AND POLICE CHIEF EDWARD WALSH

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 5:59 P.M.

1. MEET TO INTERVIEW POLICE DANDIDATES FROM LIST OF CANDIDATES RECOMMENDED B CHIEF WALSH

THE FIRST INTERVIEW WAS WITH **ALEXANDER R. BERGEN**. HE CURRENTLY LIVES IN REVERE MA. HE IS 25 YEARS OLD, IS SEPARATED FROM HIS WIFE AND THEY HAVE FILED FOR DIVORCE. HE LIVED IN TAUNTON FOR 5 YEARS AND FEELS THAT TAUNTON WOULD BE THE BEST PLACE TO START HIS CAREER. HE HAS BEEN IN THE NATIONAL GUARD FOR 7 YEARS WITH 1 YEAR ACTIVE DUTY IN AFGHANISTAN. HE ENLISTED WHEN HE WAS 18 AND WAS DEPLOYED IN 2011. HE HAS 1 YEAR IN INACTIVE RESERVES LEFT.

MR. BERGEN IS CURRENTLY A CAMPUS POLICE OFFICER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH. HE HAS DEALT WITH NUMEROUS INCIDENTS AS THERE ARE CRIMINAL UNITS, CRISIS CENTER AND A HOMELESS SHELTER ALL AT THIS FACILITY. HE IS IN THE PIPELINE FOR A CORRECTIONS OFFICER POSITION. THERE IS ONE DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE IN HIS BACKGROUND, NO ARRESTS WERE MADE. HIS DRIVING RECORD WAS A CONCERN TO SOME COUNCILORS.

IF HE IS HIRED HE WOULD MOVE BACK TO TAUNTON.

HE DOES REPORTS AT HIS CURRENT POSITION SO HE WOULD NOT HAVE A PROBLEM GENERATING POLICE REPORTS AND STATED THAT HE IS PROFICIENT WITH A COMPUTER.

HE WAS SUSPENDED FROM HIGH SCHOOL BECAUSE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS, BUT HE NO LONGER USES ANY TOBACCO PRODUCTS. TO RELIEVE STRESS HE SPENDS TIME AT THE GYM AND HE DOES BOXING.

THE NEXT CANDIDATE INTERVIEWED WAS **THOMAS M. GAUGHAN** OF NORTH DARTMOUTH, MA. HE IS 29 YEARS OLD, HAS BEEN IN THE MILITARY 12 ½ YEARS AND IS MARRIED WITH AN 8 YEAR OLD SON. HE DOES PRIVATE SECURITY WITH PARAGON SYSTEMS OUT OF NEW HAMPSHIRE. HE WAS PART OF THE WAR ON TERRORISM COMMITTEE HERE IN TAUNTON. HE HAS AN ASSOCIATES DEGREE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE FROM BRISTOL COMMUNITY COLLEGE. HE JOINED THE SERVICE IN 2001 AND WAS RECENTLY PROMOTED TO STAFF SERGEANT. HE WAS DEPLOYED TWO TIMES. HE HAS BEEN A SECURITY OFFICER FOR OVER 7 YEARS AND HAS HAD TO DEAL WITH DRUNK AND DISORDERLY PEOPLE. THEY USE HANDCUFFS AND THEY ARE ARMED. HE MUST HAVE CLEARANCE TO DO THIS JOB. HE STATED THAT HE IS DEPENDABLE, ON TIME TO WORK AND DOES EVERYTHING AS PER ORDERS. HE RECEIVED HIS DEGREE FROM BRISTOL COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN 2009 AND HE WOULD LIKE TO GET HIS MASTERS IN PSYCHOLOGY.

THERE WAS A RESTRAINING ORDER ISSUED ON HIM WHEN HE WAS 18. HE STATED THAT THIS WAS TAKEN OUT BY A GIRL HE DATED AND THAT HE ALSO TOOK OUT ONE ON THIS GIRL. THEY HAVE BOTH EXPIRED.

HE APPLIED TO THE MBTA BUT WAS DISQUALIFIED. HE HAD STATED THAT HE SPOKE SPANISH BUT FAILED THEIR PROFICIENCY TEST. HE STATED THAT HE THOUGHT HE SPOKE SPANISH OK, BUT DID NOT PASS THE TEST SO HE HAD IT PULLED FROM CIVIL SERVICE.

HE MUST DO REPORTS FOR EVERY INCIDENT AT HIS CURRENT POSITION SO HE FEELS THAT HE WOULD NOT HAVE A PROBLEM DOING THEM FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. HE HAS COMPUTER SKILLS. HE HAS HAD TO GO TO COURT IN CONNECTION WITH AN INCIDENT AT HIS EMPLOYMENT, SO HE WOULD BE COMFORTABLE IF HE HAD TO DO SO WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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THERE ARE NO SICK TIME ABUSE ISSUES. HE DOES NOT USE TOBACCO PRODUCTS. HIS WIFE IS SUPPORTIVE OF HIM BECOMING A POLICE OFFICER.

TIMOTHY J. BERTHELETTE WAS INTERVIEWED NEXT. HE GREW UP IN TAUNTON, IS A VETERAN AND WANTS TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY HE GREW UP IN. IN 2003 HE JOINED THE NAVY. HE WAS ON ACTIVE DUTY FOR 1 YEAR IN IRAQ. HE IS STILL IN THE MILITARY. HE GRADUATED FROM TAUNTON HIGH IN 1999 AND WENT TO NEW ENGLAND TECH. HE CURRENTLY WORKS AT CLEAN HARBOURS OUT OF THEIR WEYMOUTH LOCATION.

IT WAS NOTED THAT HIS DRIVING RECORD IS EXTENSIVE BUT HE DOES CURRENTLY HAVE A LICENSE WITH NO RESTRICTIONS.

IT WAS ALSO NOTED THAT HIS FORMER GIRLFRIEND DID NOT PROVIDE FAVORABLE COMMENTS, AND IN FACT SAID THAT HE HAS MADE DEROGATORY COMMENTS AGAINST OTHER RACES. HE SAID THAT HE DOES NOT.

HE IS CURRENTLY ALL SET WITH CHILD SUPPORT FOR HIS CHILD THAT HAS JUST TURNED ONE. HE HAS NO ON THE JOB INJURIES AND NO MILITARY INJURIES. HE IS PUNCTUAL AT HIS JOB AND IS ALWAYS THERE. HE FEELS THAT HE WOULD BE A GOOD ADDITION TO THE TAUNTON POLICE DEPARTMENT AND IS A TEAM PLAYER. HE DOES NOT USE TOBACCO

NEXT INTERVIEW WAS WITH **ALYSSA D. LYNCH** OF 107 ARLINGTON STREET. SHE IS A SINGLE PARENT WITH 3 KIDS. SHE HAS A BACHELORS DEGREE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE. SHE WAS IN THE ARMY NATIONAL GUARD FROM 2000 TO 2006. SHE GRADUATED FROM BRIDGEWATER STATE UNIVERSITY IN 2004. SHE IS CURRENTLY EMPLOYED AT A FAMILY BASED DAY CARE IN TAUNTON AND ALSO AT BENJAMIN'S RESTAURANT. SHE HAS GOOD COMPUTER SKILLS AND WRITING POLICE REPORTS WOULD NOT BE A PROBLEM. SHE WAS A MEDICAL SPECIALIST IN THE SERVICE WHERE SHE DID RECORDS VERIFICATION, PHYSICAL EXAMS AND DIAGNOSTIC TESTING. SHE HAS NO ACTIVE SERVICE IN THE MILITARY AND GOT OUT IN 2006 AT THE RANK OF SPECIALIST.

SHE HAS NO CONCERNS GOING TO THE ACADEMY. SHE GOES TO THE GYM EVERY DAY. SHE IS COMFORTABLE USING THE COMPUTER AND IS VERY THOROUGH IN REPORTING. SHE HAS NEVER BEEN INJURED ON THE JOB AND DOES NOT ABUSE SICK TIME.

IT WAS NOTED THAT SHE HAS VETERANS STATUS ON THE TEST BUT DID NOT SERVE ACTIVE DUTY, SO THE REPORT SAYS THAT SHE IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR VETERANS STATUS. THE CHIEF HAS NOT BEEN ABLE TO CLARIFY THIS WITH CIVIL SERVICE YET.

IT WAS ALSO NOTED THAT THE MBTA IS CONCURRENTLY INVESTIGATING HER AS SHE HAS APPLIED THERE ALSO.

HER DRIVING HISTORY SHOWS ONE INCIDENT OF LICENSE SUSPENSION FOR PAYMENT DEFAULT AND A SURCHARGEABLE ACCIDENT IN 2012. SHE WAS ALSO A RESIDENT COUNSELOR AT COHANNET ACADEMY AT 60 HODGES AVENUE IN TAUNTON FROM 2003-2005.

SHE FEELS THAT SHE WOULD BE A GREAT CANDIDATE FOR THE TAUNTON POLICE DEPARTMENT.

INTERVIEWED NEXT WAS **LAVERN S. ALLEN** OF 67 FRAZIER PASTURE ROAD, TAUNTON. HE IS MARRIED WITH 3 KIDS. HE IS ORIGINALLY FROM NEW YORK. HE IS IN THE COAST GUARD AND HAS BEEN SINCE 1996. HOPEFULLY HE WILL BE RETIRING IN 3 YEARS. HE NOTED THAT HE HAS SPOKEN TO HIS COMMAND AND THEY WILL WORK AROUND HIS TIME AT THE POLICE ACADEMY.

HE HAS HAD NO OVERSEAS ASSIGNMENTS.

HE IS CURRENTLY IN THE POLICE ACADEMY PART TIME. HE STARTED ON SEPTEMBER 23, 2013 AND WILL GO UNTIL MID FEBRUARY. THIS WILL ALLOW HIM TO GET HIRED IN NON CIVIL SERVICE TOWNS.

HE IS COMFORTABLE WITH COMPUTERS AND WITH WRITING REPORTS.

HE WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE HIS EDUCATION AFTER THE ACADEMY.

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THERE ARE 3 ARRESTS ON HIS BOP. THERE WAS ALSO A CONCERN THAT HE HAS BEEN LIVING HERE AWHILE BUT DOES NOT HAVE A MA LICENSE. THE CHIEF STATED THAT THIS IS A NON ISSUE DUE TO HIM BEING IN THE MILITARY.

HE SAID THAT HE DOES NOT ABUSE SICK TIME.

NEXT WAS **JEREMY T. DEROSIER** OF 18 HILLSIDE DRIVE, TAUNTON. HE GREW UP IN NORTON, JOINED THE MILITARY IN 2000 AND WAS A BOMB TECH. HE HAS 6 YEARS OF ACTIVE DUTY. HE HAS BEEN MARRIED 9 YEARS AND HAS NO KIDS. HE IS A PART TIME RESERVE POLICE OFFICER IN NORTON AND HAS BEEN SINCE 2007. HE HAS WORKED ALSO AT WALPOLE PRISON SINCE 2008. HE OWNS A CONDO ON SOMERSET AVENUE HERE IN TAUNTON ALSO.

HE HAS BEEN A CORRECTIONS OFFICER FOR ALMOST 6 YEARS. HE DEALS WITH SOME OF THE WORST PEOPLE BUT MAINTAINS A PROFESSIONAL ATTITUDE WITH THE PRISONERS, HE VERY DILIGENT AND IS GOOD UNDER DURESS. HE IS WELL ORGANIZED. HIS SUPERVISOR WOULD SAY HE IS A HARDWORKER, TRUSTWORTHY AND A TEAM PLAYER. HE TAKES SHIFTS WITH THE NORTON POLICE DEPARTMENT AS OFTEN AS HE CAN. HE HAS NO BOP AND NO DRIVING RECORD.

HE IS COMFORTABLE WITH COMPUTERS AND HIS REPORTS ARE DONE PROFESSIONALLY. HE DOES REPORTS FOR BOTH THE NORTON POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS. HE IS A 10% DISABLED VETERAN. HE IS ALWAYS PUNCTUAL AND TAKES OVERTIME. HE DOES NOT USE TOBACCO AND HIS WIFE IS SUPPORTIVE OF HIS BEING A POLICE OFFICER. IF GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY, HE FEELS THAT HE WOULD BE AN ASSET TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

CASEY S. HOLMES OF 135 CODDING DRIVE WAS INTERVIEWED NEXT. HE WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED FROM THE MARINE CORP AFTER SERVING 4 YEARS. HE WAS IN AFGHANISTAN IN 2010 AND LEFT THE SERVICE AS A SERGEANT.

HE IS CURRENTLY GOING TO BUNKER HILL COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

THERE ARE NUMEROUS DRIVING INFRACTIONS ON HIS RECORD STARTING IN 2005 THROUGH 2008 HOWEVER, THERE IS NOTHING ON HIS DRIVING RECORD SINCE 2008. HE CURRENTLY RESIDES ON ALICIA DRIVE IN TAUNTON. MR. HOLMES STATED THAT HE HAS LEADERSHIP QUALITIES AND FEELS THAT HE WOULD BE AN ASSET TO THE COMMUNITY. HE WOULD BE THOROUGH AND ACCURATE WITH HIS REPORTS AND HAS COMPUTER SKILLS.

WHILE HE WAS IN THE SERVICE HE RECEIVED THE PURPLE HEART AS HE WAS INJURED WHEN A ROADSIDE BOMB WAS RUN OVER. THIS HAPPENED ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2010. HIS STATUS AS A DISABLED VETERAN IS PENDING.

HE STATED THAT HIS SUPERVISORS WOULD SAY THAT HE IS ALWAYS PUNCTUAL, HE IS THE FIRST IN AND THE LAST ONE TO LEAVE. HE DOES NOT USE TOBACCO PRODUCTS.

HE HAS ALWAYS WANTED TO BE A POLICE OFFICER AND WOULD LOVE TO WORK IN HIS HOME COMMUNITY.

THE LAST PACKET OF INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE COMMITTEE WAS FOR A **CHRISTOPHER C. MARVEL**. THE CHIEF REPORTED THAT OFFICER SANTOS ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT HIM FOR AN INTERVIEW, BUT RECEIVED NO RESPONSE FROM HIM.

MOTION: REQUEST THE CHIEF'S RECOMMENDATIONS. SO VOTED.

THE POLICE CHIEF PROVIDED A LETTER DATED 10/28/2013 WHICH PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS RELATIVE TO CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF RESERVE POLICE OFFICER IN THE CITY OF TAUNTON. OVER THE COURSE OF THE LAST SEVERAL WEEKS THE DEPARTMENT CONDUCTED BACKGROUND CHECKS ON POTENTIAL CANDIDATES. THIS PAST WEEK THE COMMAND STAFF AND THE CHIEF CONDUCTED INTERVIEWS WITH THE CANDIDATES. BASED UPON THE RESULTS OF THESE ACTIONS THE POLICE DEPARTMENT MAKES THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:

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JEREMY T. DEROSIER: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
 ALYSSA D. LYNCH: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
 CASEY S. HOLMES: HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
 ALEXANDER R. BERGEN: RECOMMENDED
 TIMOTHY J. BERTHELETTE: RECOMMENDED WITH RESERVATIONS.
 THOMAS M. GAUGHAN: NOT RECOMMENDED BASED UPON ISSUES WITH PREVIOUS EMPLOYER.
 LAVERN S. ALLEN: NOT RECOMMENDED BASED UPON POLICE REPORTS AND FINANCIAL ISSUES.
 CHRISTOPHER C. MARVEL: NOT RECOMMENDED BASED UPON POLICE REPORTS. DID NOT SHOW FOR INTERVIEW.

THE LETTER FURTHER STATED THAT THE INITIAL REQUEST OF THE COUNCIL WAS FOR A LIST FOR 4 POSITIONS. BASED UPON THE EXPIRATION OF THIS LIST THIS WEEK, AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW LIST, THE CHIEF WOULD RECOMMEND THAT THE COUNCIL APPOINT NO MORE THAN 3 INDIVIDUALS TO THE RESERVE LIST AT THIS TIME. HIS RECOMMENDATIONS AS INDICATED ABOVE WOULD BE DEROSIER, LYNCH AND HOLMES, IN THAT PRECISE ORDER.

MOTION: LETTER TO BE PART OF THE RECORD. SO VOTED.

DISCUSSED AT LENGTH WERE THE CHIEF'S REASONS FOR RECOMMENDING AS HE DID. THE CHIEF WANTS TO MINIMIZE HIRES WITH "BAGGAGE".

DISCUSSED ALSO WAS THAT A MOTION HAD BEEN MADE TO HIRE UP TO 4. THE CHIEF STATED THAT HE WOULD PROBABLY HAVE 2 OPENINGS IN THE NEXT 6 MONTHS. STATED WAS THAT THERE IS STILL 6 MONTHS BEFORE ANYONE WOULD BE HIRED, AND THE NEW LIST IS COMING OUT, SO WHY NOT WAIT FOR THE NEW LIST.

COUNCILOR CARR RECOMMENDED TAKING 2.

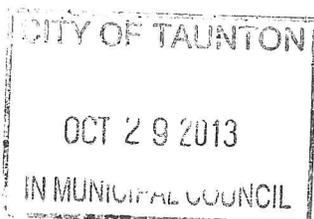
COUNCILOR POTTIER FEELS THAT IF THE COMMITTEE WERE TO TAKE 2, HE WOULD CHOOSE DEROSIER AND LYNCH. HOLMES AND BERGEN WOULD BE THE NEXT TWO.

COUNCILOR CLEARY STATED THAT HE IS FINE WITH MR. HOLMES.

COUNCILOR MCCAUL SAID THE MOTION WAS FOR 4 SO WHY NOT GO WITH 4.

MOTION: TO RECOMMEND JEREMY DEROSIER, ALYSSA LYNCH, ALEXANDER BERGEN AND CASEY HOLMES FOR THE RESERVE LIST FOR CONDITIONAL EMPLOYMENT SUBJECT TO PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PHYSICAL TESTING. SO VOTED.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:29 P.M.



RESPECTFULLY,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Colleen Ellis".

COLLEEN M. ELLIS
 CLERK OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

REPORTS ACCEPTED, RECOMMENDATIONS ADOPTED.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rm Blos".

CITY CLERK