

## **MINUTES OF SELECTMEN'S MEETING NOVEMBER 7, 2017**

Chairman Hevy called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM in the Selectmen's office with Mr. Kiley also present. Mr. Petraitis was not present.

Monica Lamboy from the Collins Center at UMass Boston was present to review and finalize the Town's Capital Improvement Plan. This was a Community Compact project paid for by grant funds.

Ms. Lamboy and the Board reviewed the draft CIP document, along with a spreadsheet showing North Brookfield's CIP Project plan. (Available in the Selectmen's office) Questions that Ms. Lamboy had within the narrative portion of the report were discussed, and answers were finalized. Ms. Lamboy will send out the final version of the report after she makes the final edits.

The spreadsheet showing the CIP Project Plan was scrutinized and discussed at length. The plan is broken down into debt-funded projects, general fund pay as you go projects, enterprise fund projects, Chapter 90 funded projects, and grant funded projects. The spreadsheet shows a 5-year span of projects, and is designed to be updated as needed.

Ms. Lamboy left the meeting at 7 PM, and noted that the Town will be eligible to apply for the newest round of Community Compact funding now that this project is finished.

Police Chief Mark Smith joined the meeting to discuss the hiring of the next full-time officer from the current pool of part-timers. Chief Smith presented information on the cost associated with promoting from within versus hiring from the outside. The Chief believes that he may have 3 officers that would be interested. The Chief also said that there may be a possibility of delaying academy attendance to the next fiscal year. He will ask if that is possible.

The Chief also stated that the newly promoted officer could be asked to sign a contract stating that he or she will work for the Town for 3 to 5 years, or else reimburse the Town for the cost of training if that officer leaves before the contract expires. This would minimize the risk to the Town. The Selectmen told the Chief to start the process of moving forward with this, and to keep them informed of any new information.

There being no further business, at 7:45 PM Mr. Kiley moved, and Mr. Hevy seconded, a motion to adjourn. So voted.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Scott Burton  
Administrative Assistant