

**Savoy Select Board
Meeting Minutes
January 4, 2022**

Members Present: Keith Kupiec, Melanie Glynn, Russell Clarke

Also present for some or all of the meeting: Andrew Provost, Allen Haskins, Justin Kaczowski, Tom Barnaby (on the phone for the police topic only)

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 4:58pm.

SCHEDULED TOPICS:

- Police department – lack of “Home Rule” impact.
 - o Sean “Hempseed” Sheridan requested Tom Barnaby’s age. No town vote or legislation to serve leaves the town without police. Tom was told this was taken care of by previous Select Board chair when he was appointed in January. Email showing Tom provided Home Rule template to town in July 2020.
 - o Unknown if LTCs signed by Tom need to be reissued.
 - o Unanimous vote to allow Tom to continue as consultant with current stipend to the Select Board to explore
 - Need to reissue LTCs
 - Seek an interim chief
 - Long term agreement with another town/city for the future
 - o Tom is not interested in completing requirements of police reform needed by July 2022 to continue with the town if we chose to put the home rule on the warrant.
 - o Need to locate in town meeting minutes if Chapter 41 section 97 or 97A was adopted if there is a desire to dissolve the police department and outsource.
 - o Contract for interim cannot exceed current budget. Counsel working on copy from another town.
 - o Agreement with another town needs town vote.
 - o Regionalization Grant opens 1/10 that could support this effort.

NEW TOPICS:

- Highway
 - o Andrew brought up the need for tools.
 - o F550 needs to go to auction
 - o Other vehicles/assets have gone to scrap including COA van, burned truck, etc. List and check coming to Keith. Funds could be used to purchase tools.
- Fire / Rescue
 - o Signage for Fire Station – LED, and using ARPA funds
 - o Outfit new truck at the fire department with ARPA funds
 - o Keith to have PJ drive there.
- Town Administrator was raised.
 - o Concern regarding town clerk responsibilities vs Town Administrator responsibilities.
 - o Melanie queried BRPC about town administrators and learned Washington and Windsor are looking into Town Administrators also.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Not needed

Financial Warrants were signed in agreement.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:08pm

Approved Date: _____

Keith Kupiec (chair) _____

Russell Clarke _____

Melanie Glynn _____

Appendix A - Relevant documents: None