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Select Board Meeting

March 17, 2023

Non-Public Portion
(Entered at 10:03 AM)

NON-PUBLIC MINUTES

Present Select Board Members: Diana Lipari, Leslie Fox, Wesley Fowlks, and John Markiewicz

Also Present: Town Administrator, Michael Johns; Assistant Town Administrator, Rajon Hudson, Joseph Fair, Town Counsel

Executive Session Reason:

- a. To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel; per MGL Ch. 30A §21 (a) (2) (Chief of Police)
- b. To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation per MGL Ch. 30A §21 (a) (3) (Chief of Police)

The Board had a discussion with Town Counsel regarding the merits and consideration for the extension for the hearing with the Warren Ryder and his counsel. They also inquired about the status of his current 111F benefits and spoke with Counselor Fair regarding the report completed by the private investigator.

The Board went on to discuss whether the board should discuss a settlement and separation agreement or continue with the disciplinary hearing. Counselor Fair provided a list of options that the Board can pursue to reach a settlement.

John Markiewicz left the meeting at 11:42 AM

Wes moved to authorize the Town Administrator and Town Counsel to negotiate a settlement of up to \$120K with the goal of \$85K separate of obligations for additional items and resignation. L. Fox seconded.

Roll Call Vote

Fox "aye," Lipari "aye," Fowlks "aye."

The Board agreed to extend the hearing two weeks per the request of the Ryder's counsel and cancel the hearing on the 20th and move the executive session to virtual on Monday.

Diana moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:15 PM. Seconded by W. Fowlks.

Roll Call Vote 4-0: Fox "aye," Markiewicz "aye," Fowlks "aye," Lipari "aye."