

PRESENT: Selectmen Lisa Ferolito, Bill Greathead, and Margaret Scarsdale; Andrew MacLean, Town Administrator

The meeting was called to order at 6:01PM. Pledge of Allegiance was said. Ms. Ferolito announced that the meeting is being cablecast live, and recorded for future cablecast by Pepperell Community Media.

A moment of silence was held in memory of Gary Giguere. Mr. Giguere was a former Selectman, a police officer, and fire fighter in Pepperell. He was also a local business owner and spent a life committed to the Town of Pepperell.

1. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

1.1 April 29, 2019 Meeting Minutes

There were no minutes to approve.

2. APPROVE WARRANT AND SIGN PURCHASE ORDERS

There were no warrants or purchase orders to sign.

3. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

3.1 Interviews for New Fire Chief

After an extensive search involving 17 applicants, two rounds of interviews and an Assessment Center, three finalists were interviewed for the position of Pepperell Fire Chief. They are:

- Robert Tripp, currently Duxbury, Massachusetts, Company 4 Commander
- Michael Doherty, currently an Acton, Massachusetts Fire Fighter and Captain on the Pepperell Department
- Brian Borneman, former Assistant Chief in Merrimack, New Hampshire, currently the Risk & Emergency Manager at Fitchburg State University

Each of the candidates was interviewed individually, in public, for about 45 minutes. They were asked a series of questions from the selectmen and were offered the chance to ask the BOS about the town.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion made by Ms. Ferolito and seconded by Mr. Greathead, it was unanimously voted that the Board of Selectmen go into Executive Session as authorized by Chapter 30A Section 21(a) of the Massachusetts General Laws. The purpose of the meeting is to:

- a. To discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints of charges brought against a public officer, employee, staff member or individual. The individual to be discussed in such Executive Session shall be notified in writing by the public body at least 48 hours prior to the proposed Executive Session; provided, however, that notification may be waived upon written agreement of the parties.
- b. To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with non-union personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with non-union personnel.

Further the Chair declares that the Board will not reconvene back in open session. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

Lisa Ferolito	Aye
Bill Greathead	Aye
Margaret Scarsdale	Aye

3. ADJOURNMENT:

The Board adjourned from Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracie Looney, Administrative Assistant

APPROVED:

Lisa M. Ferolito, Chairwoman

Bill Greathead, Clerk

Margaret Scarsdale