

Board of Selectmen Meeting
November 6, 2019
Memorial Town Hall
Approved: November 19, 2019

Present: Board of Selectmen Chair, Brian Moriarty, and Selectman Edmund Jaworski; Fire Chief Stephen Gaughan and Town Administrator Marlene Michonski.

Chairman Moriarty called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the Fire Chief's role and responsibilities and executing the process to conduct a search for a new Fire Chief.

Chairman Moriarty expressed appreciation to Chief Gaughan for the level of services the Department has achieved over the past several years. Confirming the Chief will not renew his contract for three years which expires November 30, 2019, he has agreed to stay on until January 31, 2020. An agreement will be drawn up to reflect the extension.

Mr. Jaworski would like to understand any issues and asked if it is the intent for the Chief to be available for ambulance calls.

Fire Chief Gaughan recommends a working administrative position Monday through Friday.

Posting was reviewed and approved for publication.

Job description shall reference the position is full-time Monday through Friday, flexible as needed and appointment is in accordance with MGL, Ch. 48, §42. Reference to the Emergency Management Director position, the Fire Chief shall oversee the emergency management operations. Referring to maintaining state certifications, the "EMT-Basic including Advanced Cardiac Life Support" was changed to an "EMT-Paramedic" level. Following review, the Board was in agreement with the proposed edits.

A list of individuals were considered for appointment to a screening committee.

A motion was made by Chairman Moriarty and seconded by Mr. Jaworski to appoint the following to the Committee: Hatfield Police Chief Dekoschak, Fire Department member Luke Longstreeth, Residents Fran Gougeon and Chirstopher Hoffman, and Hadley Fire Chief Spankenable. Approved

Appointees will be notified in writing.

With no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Jaworski and seconded by Chairman Moriarty to close the meeting.

6:30 pm. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully,

Marlene Michonski, Town Administrator