

Temple-Greenville Police Joint Board

Minutes of the Public Meeting February 5, 2018

The meeting began at 5:00 PM. Attending the meeting were Carla Mary and Doug Reardon of Greenville, Bill Ezell and Gail Cromwell of Temple, and Chief McTague.

A motion by C. Mary, seconded by G. Cromwell to accept the minutes of the December 4, 2017 meeting as amended was passed.

A motion by C. Mary, seconded by D. Reardon to accept the minutes of the December 18th minutes as amended was passed.

BUDGET:

The 2017 budget year ended with a \$10,422.81 surplus to be split between the two towns. It was noted that the equipment replacement line was not utilized. Chief McTague explained that the department did not need to replace any Tasers or bullet proof vests in 2017, but that a vest would be ordered this year for Officer Hyam.

There were no expenditures of note in the 2018 budget.

NEW BUSINESS:

Contract additions:

The following amendments to the existing contract that was approved at the December 4, 2017 meeting were proposed by G. Cromwell.

6. Organization, Representation and Administration

A. **Cooperative Board** – *There is created herein, a board (hereafter the "Joint Police Board" consisting of four (4) members selected in the manner*

*specified below, which shall, subject to the limitations relative to personnel decisions specified below, be responsible for the orderly and routine management of the department. The board shall be presided over by a chairman, chosen by the **Joint Police Board**, at the first regular meeting following the election of selectmen of the respective party towns. The Chairmanship shall rotate annually between the two towns.*

***B. Membership of Cooperative Board** – The **Joint Police Board** shall consist of two (2) members from each of the Boards of Selectmen in the respective party towns, which shall be selected by each of the respective select boards and appointed officially to the Joint Police Board. The selectmen of the party towns shall NOT be entitled to delegate or appoint any non-selectmen to serve in their stead on the **Joint Police Board** nor to change their membership without a specific vote of their select board and approved by the Joint Police Board.*

G. Cromwell stated that she felt that because the makeup of the Joint Board changes over time, it is useful to codify what has been traditional.

Following discussion, a motion by G. Cromwell, seconded by B. Ezell to accept item 6, paragraph A was passed.

No motion was made on the proposed change to item 6, paragraph B.

Donation acceptance:

A motion by C. Mary, seconded by D. Reardon to accept a \$50.00 donation from Joan Lemire Real Estate was passed.

CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief McTague reported that with the mild winter so far, things have been quiet. He stated that with the lack of snowbanks, accidents tend to be fewer, but more severe, as cars go off the road, hitting trees or rocks.

He informed the board that a cable company would be in Temple this week, and details would be performed on Routes 45 and 101. C. Mary asked if he anticipated a lot of details this year. Chief McTague responded that no company

had scheduled projects yet, but that he suspected that Asplundh would be in Temple, based on the trees that had been marked.

G. Cromwell asked about the number of suicides in Temple, as two organizations had requested funds from the town. Chief McTague responded that Temple did have suicides, typically every couple of years.

Chief McTague stated that he felt the work of the Child Advocacy Center was very important, and encouraged the towns to continue to fund this organization.

B. Ezell reported that he had been questioned about detail requirements by two organizations in Temple that were concerned with the cost. Chief McTague responded that the cost was reduced by an agreement not to charge the cruiser fee for the Lion's Club 5K, and use by the Temple Rec Department. (A detail officer is required for any use of the Temple Town Hall that includes alcohol.)

The board noted that there will be two warrant articles, one for a new cruiser, and one for the renewal of the contract.

D. Reardon asked if the pole on Pleasant Street that had been damaged in an accident in December had been reported to the power company. It was noted that it was reported at the time of the accident. Chief McTague said that the department would call and report it again.

At 5:31 PM, a motion by C. Mary, seconded by G. Cromwell to adjourn the meeting was passed.

The next scheduled meeting of the board will be on April 2, 2018, at 5:00 PM, in Temple.