

**PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY COMMITTEE
OCTOBER 12, 2021
RESOURCE ROOM, TOWN HALL**

CALL TO ORDER

Chair R. Weatherall called the meeting to order at 7:06 with the following members present: Police Chief P. Nikas, P. Dziadose, H. Schwartz, Fire Chief P. Parisi, Deputy Fire Chief L. Prentiss, P. Nich, J. Fay, T. Jones, L. Alexson, C. Surpitski, H. Rarb, and J. Emerson. Absent were D. Morris and R. Donahue (who was on cellphone connection).

DISCUSSION/ STRATEGIES FOR TOWN MEETING

The difficulties of a Saturday morning outdoor Town Meeting on October 16 at the High School athletic field were vocalized because of the possibility of inclement weather, the inability to project pertinent "slide" information to the voters, and the inconvenience of the timing for parents of children. A postponement to Sunday was questionable.

In discussion, the general feeling was that the speakers at Town Meeting should present a positive approach. Tammy, as Select Board Chair, will read the motion for Warrant Article 9: Public Safety Building Appropriation for Design and Construction Costs. Speakers are as follows: PSFC Chair Bob Weatherall will present THE JOURNEY: speaking re the needs, assessment, and feasibility study accomplished over the last five years. Rob Donahue will speak about THE PRODUCT to include the selection and size of the site, and the proposed square feet of the combined safety facility building. COST will be covered by Jamie Fay (Fin Comm member) at the current rate for building.

Members offered and were delegated to contact retired/community members to speak at Town Meeting in support of the motion.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tammy moved, seconded by Harvey, to approve Minutes of September 7, 2021. UNANIMOUS with Chief Nikas, Chief Parisi, P. Nich, L. Alexson, and T. Jones abstaining.

NEXT MEETING

Bob suggested, and it was decided, that the group should meet following Town Meeting in one week, and the date was set for Tuesday, October 19, at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall Resource Room.

ADJOURNMENT

J. Fay moved, seconded by P. Nikas, to adjourn at 9:08 p.m. UNANIMOUS.