

TOWN of OAKHAM

Board of Selectmen

REGULAR SESSION

November 15, 2010

Present:

Clayton E. Rice, Chairman

Eliot G. Starbard, Vice Chairman

Dennis M. Bergin Jr., Clerk

Ellie Downer, Lucy Tessnau, Jeff Howard, Adam Edwards, Thomas HOFFEY, James Wilson, Paul Rochette, Mike McKeen, Thomas McCaffrey, William Reed and Jordan Dean.

Recording: Catherine Amidio

Mr. Rice called the meeting to order at 7:12 pm

Interim Police Chief

Mr. Rice explained what took place at the meeting on Friday night regarding the interviews with Doug Blood, Fred Gehring and Christopher Sherblom. He said the board took the weekend to reach a decision on who would be the best candidate to take over the chief's responsibilities until a permanent chief could be found. He also said if they were to consider sharing a police chief with New Braintree they would first form a committee to do a feasibility study. Mr. Rice said the board is ready to begin taking the necessary steps of hiring a permanent police chief for the town.

Mr. Rice said they were prepared to appoint an interim police chief and he thought Doug Blood would be the best candidate while Mr. Bergin and Mr. Starbard chose Fred Gehring.

Motions

- Mr. Rice made a motion to take to approve an invoice from **All-Pro Cleaning Systems**. Mr. Bergin seconded, motion carries.
- Mr. Bergin made a motion to appoint Fred Gehring as the **Interim Police Chief**. Mr. Starbard seconded, motion carries. Mr. Rice abstained.

Misc.

- ❖ The board of selectmen approved the request from the boy scouts to hold a bottle and can drive every 3rd Saturday in the parking lot of the town hall. The boy scouts also inquired about using the Veterans hall to hold meetings, this was denied by the board of selectmen. Fire Chief Thomas McCaffrey said the Veterans hall is off limits due to safety reasons.

Motion to Adjourn

Mr. Bergin made a motion to enter into executive session at 7:28p.m. for exception #3. Mr. Starbard seconded, motion carries. A roll call vote was taken, Mr. Starbard voted yes and Mr. Bergin voted yes. The regular meeting will not reconvene following the executive session.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the board of selectmen will be held on November 22, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.