

IPSWICH PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY COMMITTEE
AUGUST 29, 2017
TOWN HALL, MEETING ROOM B2

CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chairman Chief Paul Nikas called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with the following members present: Fire Chief G. Gagnon, L. Alexson, P. Polonsky, K. McShera, P. Dziadose, R. Donahue, and J. Emerson. Absent were R. Weatherall, C. Surpitski, H. Schwartz, and K. Buhl.

Also in attendance was Mr. Tom Murphy, Ipswich's Town Moderator.

CITIZEN QUERIES

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chief Gagnon had submitted an amendment and moved to accept 8/8/17 Minutes with the amendment, seconded by Paul Polonsky. UNANIMOUS.

DISCUSSION FOR TOWN MEETING

Chief Nikas began by saying that the newest warrant for November Town Meeting has made reference to hearing from the PSFC. Mrs. Alexson has asked for a separate warrant article. Mr. Murphy felt that a separate article is necessary. Chief Nikas said that PSFC representative(s) will be discussing the committee's plans with the intention of informing the citizens of Ipswich of the work of the committee and of being open and transparent about plans for a new facility, the first stage of which is to determine the needs of the two departments for building size in a feasibility study.

Mr. Murphy gave a five-minute limit to a presentation at Town Meeting on November 7. The warrant closes on September 18 and the Warrant Hearing is September 5.

The group talked about a one-page handout before the Town Meeting to cover important information in a bulleted setup. Chief Gagnon mentioned the 5-6 common elements of a feasibility study; Nikas mentioned how many times the committee has met, the presentations re the feasibility study for a facility by two private firms, etc. Mrs. Emerson volunteered to put a draft together for committee discussion at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING

Because the Finance Committee had the PSFC on its agenda at 7:40, the members set September 12 at 7 p.m. for their own next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Chief Nikas moved, seconded by R. Donahue, to adjourn at 7:34 p.m.
UNANIMOUS.

