

1 **Milton Special Selectboard Meeting**

2 **November 28, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.**
3 **Community Room of the Municipal Complex**

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5 **Selectboard Members Present:** Kenneth Nolan, Vice Chair; John Bartlett, Member; John
6 Palasik, Clerk, John Cushing, Member

7 **Selectboard Members Not Present:** Darren Adams; Chair

8 **Staff Members Present:** Donna Barlow Casey, Town Manager; Erik Wells, Director of
9 Administration; Sarah Macy, Finance Director; Brett Van Noordt, Police Chief; Don
10 Turner, Fire/Rescue Chief

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12 **Others Present:** Courtney Lamdin

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14 **I. Call to Order**

15 Nolan called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

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17 **II. Flag Salute**

18 Nolan led attendees in a salute of the flag

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20 **III. Agenda Review**

21 Barlow Casey requested an executive session for contract negotiations is added.

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23 **IV. Public Forum**

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26 **V. FY '18 Budget Discussions**

27 **A. Police**

28 Van Noordt provided an overview and answered questions on the proposed Police
29 Department FY '18 budget. It has a proposed 5.2% increase (\$61,815) driven by
30 personnel costs, the regional dispatch contract and gasoline. The Board directed
31 Macy to decrease the amount budgeted for gasoline across Departments to \$2.40
32 per gallon.

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34 **B. Animal Control**

35 Macy provided an overview of the proposed FY '18 Animal Control Budget, it has
36 minimal proposed changes. The Board requested that the payment structure for
37 Animal Control Officers be examined.

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39 **C. Fire/Rescue**

40 Turner provided an overview and took questions on the proposed FY '18 Fire and
41 Rescue Department Budgets. The biggest challenge on the Rescue side he stated in
42 increased call volume and staffing- especially during the day. Rescue's increase
43 proposal is 15.9% or \$48,470 driven primarily by adding more per diem daytime

44 chief hours. Daytime coverage is especially challenging, and the volunteers who
45 cover some of those shifts have been fantastic, Turner said. But there is a
46 vulnerability to the Department with thin resources. The fire proposed budget is up
47 3.5% or \$9,735 driven by personnel costs and the regional dispatch contract.
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49 **VI. Executive Session Per V.S.A. Title 1 Section 313**

50 Palasik moved to find premature public knowledge about contract negotiations
51 would cause the Town or person to suffer a substantial disadvantage. Second by
52 Bartlett. **Approved unanimously.**

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54 Palasik moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations under
55 the provisions of V.S.A. Title 1 Section 313 and include Barlow Casey and Wells.
56 Second by Bartlett. **Approved unanimously.**

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58 Bartlett moved to close executive session, Second by Palasik. **Approved**
59 **unanimously. Nolan closed executive session at 9:05 PM.**

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61 **There was no action as a result of executive session.**

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63 **I. Adjournment**

64 Bartlett moved to adjourn, Second by Palasik. **Approved unanimously. Nolan**
65 **adjourned the meeting at 9:06 PM.**

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68 Respectfully Submitted,

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70 _____ Date: _____
71 John Palasik, Selectboard Clerk

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73 Filed with Milton Town Clerk's Office on this _____ day of _____, _____

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75 **ATTEST:** _____ **Milton Town Clerk**