

**Town of Tamworth  
Board of Selectmen's Meeting  
February 25, 2016**

**Town Office**

**BOARD MEMBERS**

**PRESENT:** Steve Gray and John Roberts

Chairman Gray opened the meeting at 4:11 pm.

**OTHERS**

**PRESENT:** Town Administrator Cassandra Pearce, Executive Assistant Darlene McWhirter, Road Agent Richard Roberts, Fire Chief Richard Colcord, Police Chief Penny Colby, Transfer Station Supervisor Glenn Johnson, Ron Remick, Dave and Pat Farley, Bruno Siniscalchi, Bill and Anne Batchelder, Rosalind Gray, Doug Barron, Attorney Rick Sager, Coey Littlefield, Peg Poirier, Harry Remick, Reporter Terry Leavitt.

**POLICE CHIEF**

**PENNY COLBY:** Town Administrator Cassandra Pearce performed the ceremony to swear in Police Chief Colby. Madison Lieutenant Ted Colby pinned his wife's badge. The ceremony was attended by a number of law enforcement personnel for the surrounding area, Chief Colby's family and many residents of Tamworth. Congratulations.

**DEPARTMENT  
HEADS:**

Road Agent Richard Roberts reported he and his crew took care of the roads during the recent storm, the back roads were icier than the main roads. The highway department is continuing brush cutting, grinding stumps and taking down trees. Mr. Roberts is continuing to work on the paving bids. The roads will be posted February 29, 2016. Road Agent Roberts met with a few vendors to get prices on straightening out and painting railings at Chocorua Park.

Transfer Station Supervisor Glenn Johnson reported that he met with Town Administrator Pearce and Road Agent Richards Roberts to discuss names of individuals for possible per diem work while he is short handed. Mr. Johnson is checking on necessary training for per diem employees.

Police Chief Penny Colby presented information comparing the cost of 3 full time officers to 2 full time officers and 2 part time officers, also reviewing the pros and cons to employing part time officers. The board reviewed the advertisement for a Full Time Police Officer. This position will be advertised in the Conway Daily Sun and Salmon Press, Saturday, Tuesday and Saturday. It will also be posted on NHMA and Police Standards and Training Websites. Chief Colby discussed the possible price increase if the town waits until an officer is hired before purchasing the new police vehicle. She also mentioned she would like to order the new police cruiser in gray and use the new town seal in black and white.

Coey Littlefield asked for an explanation of the \$20,000 increase in the police salary line in 2016 budget. Town Administrator Pearce explained the increase was due to benefit pay outs.

**ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT  
COMMISSION:**

Pat Farley reported no updates from EDC. She did state that the Lake's Region Planning Commission is holding its Annual Dinner in June at the Wolfeboro Inn.

**250th COMMITTEE:** The 250<sup>th</sup> Committee is meeting on Tuesday evening.

**EDC – PD/FD:** The board met with the EDC, Police and Fire Chiefs to discuss possibly closing part of Main Street during the 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration Street Fair, in August. The discussion consisted of closing part of the road, possibly 1 lane traffic and using certain areas to park cars. It was brought to the EDC's attention that both the Barnstormer's and Remick Museum have events that day. No decisions were made. EDC and the Chief's will meet again.

**RON REMICK:** Ron Remick presented a map of potential lots that could be used for a safety building sometime in the future. All of the lots identified are within the ISO rating area. Mr. Remick would like the town to make a decision with all possible options being looked at.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Peggy Poirier asked the board why there was no public recognition for Former Chief Poirier after 16 years of service or Former Officer Littlefield. The Poirier family has received overwhelming support for Dan. Town Administrator Pearce told Peg, that not to ruin the surprise, they could not comment further.

**SELECTMEN  
UPDATE:** Chairman Gray asked if the planning board could access the town computer's C drive for storage, so as not to have all files stored in people's homes. Dan Poirier was appointed as an alternate to the Planning Board. The BOS will invite all boards and committees to the March 24<sup>th</sup> BOS meeting to discuss issues and concerns. The Planning Board will be invited to the April 7<sup>th</sup> meeting to discuss further issues and concerns with the BOS.

Terry Leavitt from the Conway Daily Sun asked a few questions for the newspaper article regarding promoting Chief Colby and the swearing in ceremony.

**ADMINISTRATION:**

➤ ***Items approved and signed by the Board:***

- Intent to Cuts 414-053 and 217-045
- Chairman Gray made a motion to sign the appointment for Police Chief Penny Colby. Motion was seconded by Selectmen Roberts and passed unanimously.

- Motion made by Chairman Gray to approve and sign the minutes of February 11, 2016 as amended. Motion was seconded by Selectman Roberts and passed unanimously.
- Chairman Gray made a motion to approve and sign the non-public minutes Per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a, b & c) of February 11, 2016. Motion was seconded by Selectman Roberts and passed unanimously.
- Chairman Gray made a motion to approve and sign the non-public minutes Per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a, b & c) of February 11, 2016. Motion was seconded by Selectman Roberts and passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Chairman Gray to approve & sign the accounts payable check register in the amount of \$233,747.47. Motion was seconded by Selectman Roberts and passed unanimously.
- Motion made by Chairman Gray to approve & sign the accounts payable manifest in the amount of \$233,747.47. Motion was seconded by Selectman Roberts and passed unanimously.

**NON-PUBLIC  
MEETING:**

Motion made by Chairman Gray at 6:10 p.m. to enter into a non public session under RSA 91 A: 3 II (a & c). Motion seconded by Selectman Roberts and passed by a roll call vote. Gray Y, Roberts Y,

Motion made by Chairman Gray to exit non public at 7:22 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectmen Roberts and passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made by Chairman Gray to adjourn at 7:24 p.m. Motion was seconded by Selectman Roberts. The Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene McWhirter  
Executive Assistant

Approved by Board of Selectmen

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Stephen G. Gray

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John E. Roberts

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