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**TOWN OF NEWBURY
SELECT BOARD**

MINUTES

DATE: October 17, 2023

PRESENT: **Select Board:** Chair Alicia Greco; Vice Chair Bill DiMaio; Clerk Leslie Matthews; Geof Walker; Dana Packer

Staff:

Tracy Blais, Town Administrator

Julie O'Brien, Executive Administrator

Speakers: John Parow, John Parow Consulting & Assoc.

Call to Order:

At 4:30 p.m. Chair Alicia Greco called the meeting to order with a salute to the flag

Motion: G. Walker moved to open the meeting seconded, B. DiMaio and voted unanimously

Discussion: None

New Business:

Fire Chief Candidate Interviews

- Selection of preferred candidate to enter into Contract negotiations with Town Administrator

Motion:

Discussion: John Parow with John Parow Consulting & Associates addressed the Board and explained the assessment that was conducted to evaluate candidates for the position of Fire Chief in the Town of Newbury. Further went on to explain a series of the same pre-determined questions will be asked of each candidate at tonight's meeting. Lastly stated if time allows the Board would have an opportunity to ask a couple follow up questions.

Candidate Michael Gonynor, 24 years of fire service, approached the Board, provided his background and why he would be a good fit for Newbury

Mr. Parow asked the pre-determined questions to candidate Gonynor

The Board asked follow up questions of Mr. Gonynor

Candidate David Evans approached the Board, lifelong public servant, provided his background and why he would be a good fit for Newbury

Mr. Parow asked the pre-determined questions of candidate Evans

The Board asked follow up questions of Mr. Evans

Mr. Parow provided a bit more detail regarding each candidate and their assessment scores

Discussion: Discussion and deliberation amongst the Board ensued

Motion: DiMaio moved to ask the Town Administrator to enter into Contract negotiations with David Evans for the Newbury Fire Chief position seconded, G. Walker

Vote: Voted unanimously

Adjourn:

Motion: At 6:48 p.m. G. Walker moved to adjourn seconded, B. DiMaio

Discussion: None

Vote: Voted unanimously

Respectfully submitted,
Julie O'Brien
Executive Administrator