

# Temple-Greenville Police Joint Board

## Minutes of the Public Meeting October 1, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Gail Cromwell. Also attending the meeting were Maggie Bickford and Doug Reardon of Greenville, Chief McTague, and Greenville Town Administrator Tara Sousa.

A motion by D. Reardon, seconded by M. Bickford to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2018 meeting was passed with all in favor.

### OLD BUSINESS:

D. Reardon presented a copies of the 2009 Greenville warrant article regarding the establishment of the Detail Revolving Fund, as well as the amended warrant article that was passed at Town Meeting, which states that the \$5000.00 seed money would go to Greenville in the event of a breakup of the merger. He would like to amend the contract wording to reflect this information, and to attach the documentation to the contract. Tara Sousa stated that the contract should not overrule the will of the voters at the 2009 Town Meeting. G. Cromwell stated that she would run this information by Temple's counsel.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Chief McTague requested approval to attend a Dark Web Investigations course in Waterville, Maine. The cost of the class is \$295.00. The hotel cost is \$99.00 plus tax. The class will take place on December 18 and 19.

A motion by D. Reardon, seconded by G. Cromwell to approve this request was passed with all in favor.

After a brief discussion, the board agreed to meet monthly until Town Meeting, and on a bi-monthly basis for the summer months.

### BUDGET:

The 2018 budget appears to be on track. The vehicle maintenance and prosecution expenditures are higher than expected.

The Department presented the preliminary budget, with a request for an eight percent wage adjustment. The request for this increase is based on the statewide wage survey conducted by the Greenland Police Department, which shows that department wages have fallen significantly below those of the state, the county and the Monadnock region. Chief McTague requested that the board meet individually with department members to discuss wages. The board is happy to do so. G. Cromwell stated that Temple was likely to favor the increase in wages. D. Reardon stated that Greenville will be looking closely at the wages for all departments in upcoming meetings. The board agreed that they were not willing to reduce coverage or change the operation of the department to offset wage increases.

Other items of note in the proposed budget are an increase in health insurance due to a marriage, a decrease in the contribution percentage to the NH Retirement System, and increases in the fuel oil and prosecution lines, to adjust for higher costs/usage as seen in 2018.

#### CHIEF'S REPORT:

Chief McTague reported that Temple's Harvest Festival went well. He also reported that there were no issues related to Greenville's rescheduled fireworks display. There were two arrests which were unrelated to the event. He expects that after Halloween, which is typically a busy evening, things will quiet down a bit, with the exception of Motor Vehicle accidents, which will increase when snow starts to fall.

The lettering of the new cruiser is still in progress. Tara Sousa noted that Greenville will bill Temple for the amount paid to date, while awaiting the final bill for the lettering/decals.

T. Sousa asked the Chief about the hours for Trick or Treating. He stated that whatever hours are set by the Select Board will be fine with him.

At 5:53, a motion by G. Cromwell, second by D. Reardon to adjourn the meeting was passed with all in favor.

The next meeting will be on November 5<sup>th</sup> in Temple.