

**Town of St. Albans  
Police Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 1pm**

**Attendees:** RADM Warren Hamm, Al Voegele, Mark Leclair, Jonathan Giroux, Carrie Johnson, and Police Chief Gary Taylor.

A. Voegele opened the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

**Parking near Bay Store**

Chief Taylor stated that they will continue to enforce the no parking zone near the Bay Store, but its' noteworthy that the Town asked the State to change the parking in the area and was declined. That area is a State owned road and they control speed/parking, etc. Chief Taylor reports that Chris St. Marie (Bay Store owner) is aggressively confronting police officers as they are approaching cars to give warnings and tickets. The police department would like to avoid escalating this issue as the next step would be to arrest Chris. Chris has been yelling, swearing, and taunting officers while they are carrying out their duties. The committee requested that David Blackmore, Vtrans District 8 and Chris St. Marie be invited to the next meeting to discuss options to improve safety and avoid impacts to area business. C. Johnson will reach out to Chris S. and David B.

It was also pointed out by Chris that parking along both sides of Hathaway Point Road near the boat launch should be prohibited. Director of Public Works, Alan Mashtare will need to look into this and a revision to the ordinance considered.

**St. Albans Bay Moorings and Charting**

A. Voegele researched how to proceed and the committee supports the next steps outlined in Part II of the Emergency Response Law Enforcement Study Part I that was presented to the Selectboard 1/14/19. The Selectboard was asked to support establishing law and order in the Bay. A. Voegele and W. Hamm received direction that the Town can proceed with establishing charts and a mooring plan for the bay, then seek approval from various state agencies. The committee will be seeking consensus from the Selectboard at their meeting on 7/1/19 that they wish to move forward with establishing an ordinance and charting the moorings; then the Town can request legal to create an ordinance, chart the moorings and submit the draft plans to the various fed and state agencies for approval/comments.

**Police Department Contract Renewal**

The committee discussed reviewing the current police department contract and being prepared to discuss any questions or concerns they have at the next meeting. All will be ready to discuss their recommendation to the Selectboard on renewing the last one year contract extension, that represents the 5<sup>th</sup> year of a 5 year contract. The next meeting is scheduled for 7/24 at 1 p.m. Jenn Gray will send a copy of the police dept. contract a week in advance of the July meeting. Please reach out to Jenn if you want a copy earlier.

**Schedule** - The next meeting to be held July 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

**Adjournment** - Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.