

**Town of St. Albans  
Police Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 1pm**

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

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

**Meeting Minutes**

The committee reviewed the agenda and RADM Hamm made a motion to approve the minutes from June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

**Draft Marine Procedures**

A. Voegele and RADM Hamm provided the committee with a brief overview of the draft Marine Procedures they are currently working on. They expect no huge costs to the Town in the short term. The goal of the procedures is:

1. to provide guidelines and set standards for the public and Town;
2. to show people where they can publicly anchor a boat. Three places were suggested:
  - a. Hathaway Point boat access;
  - b. near the Bay Dock;
  - c. near the marina.

The regulations would delineate a buffer zone for land owners to moor their boats in front of their property and avoid someone from blocking their access. Once delineated, these points will be put on the official Coast Guard map for the Bay and inform people what frequency to use in the Bay for communications.

The committee would like to provide an update to the Selectboard at their meeting of Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Police Contract**

The committee reviewed the police department contract, specifically the FY '21 option for the 5<sup>th</sup> year of a five-year contract. After a discussion, RADM Hamm made a motion to recommend renewing the police department contract for the 5<sup>th</sup> year. The committee will ask for clarification from the Chief in writing, how or if the Street Crimes Unit will be used in reference to the new Highgate contract. If Highgate is to receive this service as part of their contract, will the Town costs be reduced? What will be the FY '21 costs for the Street Crimes Unit? We'll need this information for budgeting purposes. The committee would like clarification on how the Police Department will cover the Highgate shifts with existing staff; will there be any diminishing of services provided Town?

J. Giroux requested the Police Department patrol Lake Street for cell phone violations; he has seen many open violations when school gets out in the afternoons.

**Schedule** - The next meeting to be held September 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

**Adjournment** - Meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.