

Exeter Police Stakeholders Committee Meeting
December 29, 2020, at 3:00 PM via Zoom
Minutes

Attendance: Committee Members— Elliot Berkowitz, Matt Carbone, Harry King, Alexis Simpson, Anne Surman, Darius Thompson. Select Board Rep.— Molly Cowan.

Other Participants included from the Exeter Police Department: Ashley Goia, Brian Hannah, Bruce Page, Chief Stephan Poulin, Theodore (Tad) Sierad, John Suglia. Guest—Connor Barry (Exeter Communications Advisory Committee).

Chair Anne Surman called the meeting to order and read a statement:
As Chair of the EPSC, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 this public body is authorized to meet electronically.

Public notice of this meeting was posted on Dec. 21, 2020, on the town website and on the bulletin board of the town offices at 10 Front Street. As provided in that public notice, the public may access the meeting online and via phone.

Please note that all votes taken during this meeting shall be done by roll call vote. Let's start the meeting by taking a roll call attendance. When each member states their presence, please also state whether there is anyone in the room with you during this meeting and who that person is (son, daughter, spouse, etc...), which is required under the Right-to-Know law.

After calling the roll, Chair Surman called for a motion to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2020 meeting:

MOTION by Darius Thompson to accept the minutes as drafted. **Second** by Elliot Berkowitz. By a roll call vote, all were in favor.

The next order of business was to accept nominations for the position of Secretary for the Committee:

MOTION: Matt Carbone nominated Alexis Simpson to be secretary for the committee. **Second** by Harry King. By a roll call vote, all were in favor.

The Committee discussed the Exeter Police Department Citizen Survey to be sent out to the town. Darius Thompson took notes on specific changes to be incorporated into the survey draft. The Committee plans to take a look at the final draft of the survey at the next meeting on January 12, 2020, before distributing it to the public.

Communications Advisory Committee Chair, Connor Barry, spoke of his experience with

the survey the Communications committee is wrapping up right now. The committee received this advice in hopes it will help increase engagement in the EPD citizen survey.

Detective Bruce Page, responsible for Outreach and Community Policing in the Exeter Police Department, shared with the committee the many community outreach programs he supports in his role: Crime Stoppers, BIT (Behavioral Intervention, the Speed Trailer, mediating neighborhood disputes, car seat installation and education, Q & As with kindergartners and high school students, McDonald's collector's card program, food collection for St. Vincent DePaul at Christmas, safety videos on Exeter TV, community involvement regarding Substance Use Disorder, National Night Out, community education (e.g. fraud prevention talks, new driver talks), distributing helmets from CHAD (Children's Hospital at Dartmouth Hitchcock) grant.

MOTION: Darius Thompson moves to adjourn. **Second** by Matt Carbone. By a unanimous vote done via roll call, the meeting was adjourned at 5:08.