

**Members Present:** James A. DeLisle, Wayne R. Walker, Heather M. Billings

**Others Present:** Karen Murphy, Stephanie Lahtinen, Ross Barber; Stephen Landry, Sentinel and Enterprise

### **CALL TO ORDER**

J. DeLisle called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in room 205 of the Town Hall. He announced that the meeting was being recorded by the Town and the Sentinel and Enterprise.

### **APPROVALS**

#### WARRANTS

W. Walker made a motion to approve the following warrant.

January 3, 2018	Accounts Payable	19-39A	\$90,555.92
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The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

### **ONGOING BUSINESS**

#### SELECTION OF POLICE CHIEF FINALISTS

J. DeLisle indicated that the Board interviewed six finalists at the meeting held on Saturday January 12, 2019. He acknowledged receipt of background checks on all the candidates, revealing nothing that would disqualify them from advancing in the process.

Mr. DeLisle indicated that out of the six candidates, the two individuals he would advance to the finalist interviews were William Sampson and Michael McDonald.

W. Walker agreed with Mr. DeLisle and stated that there was a significant difference in experience and qualifications between Mr. Sampson, Mr. McDonald and the other four candidates and that he would recommend interviewing them as the two finalists.

H. Billings indicated that she also chose William Sampson and Michael McDonald as her top two, but had also chosen a third candidate to interview. The Board discussed the merits of interviewing two versus three finalists.

The Board reached consensus to interview William Sampson and Michael McDonald for the position of Police Chief. The final interviews will be held on Thursday January 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Heather M. Billings, Clerk

*(Prepared by S. Lahtinen)*