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Town of Belmont Warrant Committee Public Safety Subcommittee

DATE: July 6, 2020 TIME: 2:21 PM

Minutes of Public Safety Subcommittee of Warrant Committee

Location: January 9, 2020, 9 am

Town Hall, Conf. room #2, Belmont MA

Present: Daniel Halston, Chair, John Alcock, Anne Helgen, Lynn Read

Police Chief Jamie MacIsaac

The Meeting was called to order at 9 am.

The Subcommittee met with Chief MacIssac to discuss the staffing levels at the Belmont Police Dept. and a report that the Chief had provided to the Subcommittee in advance of the meeting. The Chief walked through the report and the staffing requirements for the Dept. and how it compares to like communities based on a Town of Reading survey from 2017 and some more recent data collected by the Belmont Police Dept.

The Chief also discussed ideas for reducing expenses in the Dept. and expenses items that could be deferred until FY22. The Subcommittee and the Chief discussed comparable communities and the Chief's ideas for reducing and deferring expenses.

The Subcommittee met briefly after the Police Chief left and concluded to arrange a meeting with the Fire Dept. to have a similar discussion with the Fire Dept.

After additional discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 10 am.

Respectfully submitted, Dan Halston