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Merrimack Town Council Nonpublic Minutes December 15, 2022

Present: Chairman Finlay Rothhaus, Vice Chairman Nancy Harrington, Councilor Hunter, Councilor Nancy Murphy, Councilor Barbara Healey and Councilor Lon Woods. Also in attendance were Town Manager Paul Micali and Human Resources Director Sharon Marunicz

Excused: Councilor Tom Koenig

Chairman Rothhaus called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

MOTION – Vice Chairman Harrington moved, seconded by Councilor Hunter to enter into nonpublic session at 6:01 PM for, RSA 91-A:3, II (a) - Personnel.

Motion passed by roll call vote 6-0-0.

RSA 91-A:3, II (a) - Personnel

Town Manager Micali updated the Town Council on the plans moving forward for filling DPW open positions. Municipal Resource Inc. (MRI) will be handling the Director position recruitment for around \$3,500 and if need be will do the background check for an additional \$1,500. Prior to reaching out to MRI he reached out to a couple of former employees of the Department to see if they were interested. Both were intrigued but decided that they would stay where they are at the current time. He also reached out to Deputy Director Tuomala to see if she was interested. While flattered she stated she is a woman of her word and would like to honor her commitment to Milford.

Town Manager Micali updated the Council on the current search for an Assistant DPW Director/Wastewater. Currently we have a Chief Operator at the plant who Town Manager Micali asked if he would like the position. He stated he would do anything we needed but he would prefer to act as the Director rather than take the position full-time and find out he isn't a good fit.

Town Manager Micali informed the Council that he will be waiting to fill the Deputy Director – Engineering and Deputy Director/Environmental as well as the Assistant Director/Wastewater position. The Town is currently advertising the positions and will gather the information and wait until when the new Director is hired.

MOTION – Councilor Healey moved, seconded by Councilor Murphy, to close the nonpublic session at 6:39 PM.

Motion passed unanimously by roll call 6-0-0

MOTION - Councilor Woods moved, seconded by Councilor Hunter, to <u>seal</u> the nonpublic minutes

Motion passed unanimously by roll call 6-0-0

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MOTION – Vice Chairman Harrington moved, seconded by Councilor Healey, to adjourn the public session at 6:40 PM.

Motion passed unanimously by roll call 6-0-0

Finlay C. Rothhaus, Chairman

Nancy M. Harrington, Vee Chair

Nancy Murphy, Councilor

Barbara Healey, Councilor

Thomas P. Koenig, Councilor

Lon Woods, Councilor

Andy Hunter, Councilor

Respectfully submitted by Paul T. Micali