

**Westborough Board of Selectmen  
Executive Session Meeting Minutes  
June 9, 2015**

**8:08 p.m. – 8:56 p.m.**

**Present:** Chairman Barrette, Vice Chairman Drewry, Selectmen Dodd, Goldblatt and Johnson.

**Also Present:** James Malloy, Kristi Williams, and Chief Perron.

Chief Perron came before the Board and announced that he will be retiring. He spoke with Worcester County Retirement regarding his pension and by retiring early he would be short \$30,000, and he requested that the Board approve a payment in that amount along with his vacation time and sick leave buyback.

Chief Perron discussed the process and timing to prepare the office, which would be 1-2 months. Mr. Malloy noted that the Board can vote to encumber funds from this year's budget which are available.

Selectman Dodd's motion to use funds that are remaining in the Firefighters' Salary & Wages Budget for Chief Perron's request for the \$30,000 payout plus his vacation and sick leave buyback as of August 1, 2015 was seconded by Selectman Johnson. Discussion: The Chief was asked to provide the Board with a resignation letter. The Board briefly discussed the appointment of an interim Fire Chief and when they would announce Chief Perron's retirement.

A Roll Call Vote was taken: Selectman Johnson – yes; Selectman Dodd – yes; Selectman Goldblatt – yes; Selectman Barrette – yes; Selectman Drewry – yes.

Mr. Malloy will issue a press release and will include comments from the Board and the Chief. Chief Perron left Executive Session.

Mr. Malloy informed the Board that John Shakour is interested in adding a beauty school on Route 9 but has no sewer connection. The Town Engineer has been working with him on connection possibilities and Mr. Malloy reviewed the options as well as the challenges and issues involved. The land needed for the

connection may have to be taken by eminent domain as the owner is asking for \$100,000. Mr. Malloy noted that there is no benefit to the Town and that the proponent is looking for the Town's input. The consensus of the Board was to not get involved.

Selectman Johnson's motion to adjourn Executive Session at 8:56 p.m. was seconded by Selectman Dodd.

A Roll Call Vote was taken: Selectman Johnson – yes; Selectman Dodd – yes; Selectman Goldblatt – yes; Selectman Barrette – yes; Selectman Drewry - yes.

*Submitted by Paula M. Covino*