Town of Norfolk Norfolk Town Board SPECIAL Meeting Court Security November 26, 2024

The Norfolk Town Board held a Special Meeting on Thursday, November 26, 2024 5:30pm at the Norfolk Town Hall to discuss Court Security.

Present: Supervisor Charles Pernice, Deputy Supervisor Eric Molnar, Councilman Travis Villnave, Councilwoman Jean Gang and Councilman Martin Blair Sr. Also Present: OIC Jose Colon, Town Justice George Grubee, Town Justice Derek Stevenson, Officer Chris Radel

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Supervisor Pernice called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm

COURT SECURITY DISCUSSION

- Supervisor Pernice opened by stating that the local law passed earlier this year establishing the Office of Town Constable was still awaiting the final approval from the DCJS (Division of Criminal Justice Services).
- OIC Colon stated that he has tried to move the approval request along but has not been given any timeframe as to when it might be done.
- Supervisor Pernice noted that in an effort to provide necessary security for the court he recommended the Town hire Officer Radel (who currently provides court security services to the Town of Potsdam) to fill the position of Armed Court Security Officer. This would be separate and in addition to his regular duties as Norfolk Police Officer. He can work up to 20 hrs/wk and will report to the Town Justices while serving in this role during court sessions.
- Town Justice Stevenson noted that he knows someone who may be interested in the Constable Position, once it gets approved.
- Town Justices Stevenson and Grubee agreed to look over the current proposed duties and add their input for any additional specific duties they require and provide those to the Town Board prior to the next regular Town Board meeting.

- OIC Colon noted that he will take care of ordering the uniform that will be used and that he will adjust the duty schedule as needed so that Officer Radel would be available for the upcoming trial scheduled for December.
- ➤ Decision to hire Officer Chris Radel as Armed Court Security Officer for the Norfolk Court @ \$100.00 per court session was approved with motion by Supervisor Pernice and seconded by Councilman Blair. All in Favor -Carried

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50pm with a motion by Deputy Supervisor Molnar and Councilman Blair. All in Favor – Carried

Supervisor – Charles Pernice Deputy Supervisor – Eric Molnar Councilman – Martin Blair Sr Councilwoman – Jean Gang Councilman – Travis Villnave

Dated: November 27, 2024

Jill M. Molnar - Norfolk Town Clerk