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BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Special Meeting – Vanessa Mays Interview

Thursday, November 5, 2015, 2:30 p.m.

Town Hall Selectmen's Meeting Room

Meeting called to order at 2:35 pm by Chairman Cronin

Present: Chairman Cronin, Selectman Menges, Selectman Goulart, Vanessa Mays, Stacy Ferry and administrative assistant Karin Brady.

Selectman Menges introduced Vanessa as a candidate for the Assistant Animal Control Officer. He outlined her credentials, education and military experience.

Chairman Cronin asked her to tell the board about herself. She described her service in the military. She recently moved back to Dighton in March. She wanted to get back into her desired field and the job that she truly loves.

Vanessa told the board of selectmen that she has a lot of experience. She was a small animal science major at Bristol Agricultural School. She worked at an animal shelter and is very familiar with the animal control portion of the job as well as the veterinarian medications. She had also assisted doctors in surgery. Vanessa mentioned that she had also taken extra online courses at Animal Behavior College.

Selectman Menges asked if she would be able to pursue getting certified as an animal control officer.

Vanessa asked if she would be responsible for the fee to be certified and Stacy Ferry said that would be up to the board of selectmen.

The process for certification and the training that Vanessa would need was discussed with Stacy.

Chairman Cronin said we will ask Stacy to keep Vanessa close for a while to show her the ropes; access to the kennels, etc. He added that most of the calls would come through Stacy.

Selectman Menges said that for some appointments, there is a six month probation. In this case, we would say end of June (8 months) would serve as the probationary period.

It was determined by the board that Vanessa would take no part in the animal inspections. The inspections would continue to be done by Stacy.

Selectman Menges asked Stacy to stand by.

Selectman Menges motioned that they appoint Vanessa Mays as assistant animal control officer, Selectman Goulart seconded and it was **VOTED** unanimously to appoint Vanessa Mays as assistant animal control officer.

The appointment was signed by the board and Vanessa was sent to Town Clerk's office to be sworn in.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Selectman Menges, seconded by Selectman Goulart and **VOTED** unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:53 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Karin L. Brady
Administrative Assistant

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:


Dean V. Cronin – Chairman



Patrick W. Menges - Member



Nancy J. Goulart - Member