TOWN OF NEWMARKET, NEW HAMPSHIRE TOWN COUNCIL NON-PUBLIC MEETING

October 18, 2017 6:30 PM TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

NON-PUBLIC - PURSUANT TO RSA 91-A:3.II (a) PERSONNEL

PRESENT: Council Chairman Dale Pike, Council Vice Chairman Toni Weinstein, Councilor Amy Thompson, Councilor Gretchen Kast, Councilor Kyle Bowden, Councilor Amy Burns, Councilor Casey Finch

AGENDA

Chairman Pike called the Non-Public Session to order at 8:45 pm following the Regular Town Council Meeting.

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Town Administrator Contract

Councilor Pike said they were meeting to discuss two (2) changes being made by the Council to the Town Administrator Contract, and said he had made a mistake with regard to the changes, and the things he had talked about were changes in the wording of the contract. He stated that Town Administrator Fournier had told him he wanted a 1.5% yearly increase and not 1.75%.

Chairman Pike said he had also taken out 80 hours paid for vacation not taken and that Town Administrator Fournier was upset as he felt he would not be able to take all his vacation during the year. One of the councilors asked if vacation carryover was the current policy for other employees, and another councilor said they believed there were others. Chairman Pike said the Town Administrator had not used vacation time so far this year and this allowed him to carry it over to next year.

Chairman Pike then discussed the annual salary increase and asked the councilors if it should be kept at 1.5%. One of the councilors said they thought the increase would be used as merit. Chairman Pike said that other towns were approaching Town Administrator Fournier, and stated that the Council recognized Town Administrator Fournier's overall potential and asked for a motion to approve the changes being made to the contract by the Council.

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Councilor Burns made a motion to approve the changes to the Town Administrator Contract which were discussed, which was seconded by Councilor Thompson. All Council members were in agreement with the proposed changes.

Chairman Pike adjourned the meeting at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Denmark, Recording Secretary