

**Town of Randolph
Meeting Minutes
Police Services Committee (DRAFT)
October 17, 2023**



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2 ***This meeting was hybrid, with remote access provided via Zoom.**

3 ****This draft is intended for open meeting law compliance. A more detailed version may**
4 **replace the draft.**

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6 **Police Services Committee:** Judy Powell, Stephanie Tyler, Sheila Jacobs, Kristin Chandler (Via
7 Zoom), Neil Richardson, and Joe Voci.

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9 **Municipal Staff:** Trevor Lashua, Town Manager, Scott Clouatre, Chief of Police.

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11 **Public Attendees:** Ken Goss, Nan Gwin, Maury Smith, Kirstie Bailey Marty Strange (via Zoom).
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13 **1. Call to Order**

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15 Trini called the meeting to order at 6:00.

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17 **2. Public Comment**

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19 Dr. Maury Smith relayed a story about a patient who overdosed and was revived with Narcan.
20 He said the Police did their jobs as did the EMT who all left when it was clear the patient was
21 doing okay. He was there to say he thought there was a missing component. Someone else needs
22 to be on point to help the patient once they have been revived. Some type of embedded contract
23 help, social worker, or crisis worker?

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25 There was a general discussion about roles, existing responsibilities, etc.

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27 Can this be added to the next meeting as a need as part of the budget process?
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29 Ken Goss who lives on Fish Hill was there to state that he's never needed police, has Vermont
30 State Police, and expansion is not needed.

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32 Nan Gwin who also lives on Fish Hill agreed with Ken that expansion is not needed. Vermont
33 State Police responded to a call, 15 years ago.
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35 **3. Approval of Agenda**

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37 Sheila moved to approve the agenda. Neil seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

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39 **4. Approval of Meeting Minutes.**

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41 Neil moved to approve the minutes. Joe seconded. The motion passed 7-0.

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42 **5. Business**

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44 **5.a. Review September Data and Discuss “Buckets.”**

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46 Reviewed the buckets and the September data. There was a general discussion about calls for
47 service and VSP asking Randolph PD to go to calls outside the district.

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49 **5.b. Discuss Operating Options – Initial Budget Review.**

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51 Trevor talked about the different budgets he put together. Existing district budget, modified
52 district budget, and Town-wide budget. He went through the budgets and talked about changes
53 regarding increased insurance rates, inflationary factors, overtime, hiring new employees, etc.

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55 There was a general discussion about existing costs, future costs, and how to account for
56 increases in all the budgets.

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58 Discussion about what the modified district would look like, how to draw the boundaries, where
59 to draw the boundaries, and how to pay for it. The idea is that as the district gets larger, so does
60 the budget because that will require more police officers and more vehicles.

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62 Kristin had to leave around 7:30 for another meeting.

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64 Stephanie left shortly after Kristin.

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66 **5.c. Review Benchmarking Exercise – Status Update.**

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68 There was a reference to the benchmark table sent around previously.

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70 **5.d. Discuss Research, Follow-Up, and Tasks for Next Meeting.**

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72 Staff has homework to come back with.

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74 **6. Communications and Correspondence.**

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76 There was none to report.

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78 **7. Adjournment**

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80 Joe moved to adjourn at 8:32. Sheila seconded. The motion passed 5-0.

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82 **The next regularly scheduled meeting is on October 24, at 6:00 p.m.**

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