

**TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
AUDITOR SELECTION COMMITTEE-OPEN SESSION
Town Hall Council Chambers
June 6, 2022**

Present: Michael Molisse-Chair
Kenneth DiFazio-Councilor
Greg Shanahan-Councilor
Pascale Burga-Councilor
Christopher Heffernan-Councilor

Also Present: Richard McLeod, Town Solicitor

Recording Secretary: Diane Hachey

Chair Molisse called the Auditor Selection Committee Meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

Open Session:

Discussion/Update of Selection Process

Chair Molisse noted that the Auditor position was advertised for the third time and they have received two candidates. He disclosed that candidate number 1 is employed by Molisse Realty and has been for about one year. Chair Molisse has never met him, he is an individual contractor and has no financial gain from potential hiring of the candidate. Chair Molisse has consulted with Attorney McLeod and if any committee member has issue with his voting, he will recuse himself.

Attorney McLeod asked Chair Molisse if he can fairly and impartially make a decision without prejudice, to which Chair Molisse confirmed that he could.

At 6:05 PM Councilor DiFazio motioned to enter executive session for the purpose of conducting individual interviews with candidates which qualifies under Exemption 8 of the Executive Session Guidelines: To consider and interview applicants for employment by a preliminary screening committee appointed by a governmental body if an open meeting will have a detrimental effect in obtaining qualified applicants; provided, however, that this clause shall not apply to any meeting, including meetings of a preliminary screening committee appointed by a governmental body, to consider and interview applicants who have passed a prior preliminary screening.

Motion seconded by Councilor Heffernan and voted unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by Diane Hachey as Recording Secretary

Approved by Councilor Michael Molisse, Chair of Auditor Selection Committee
Voted unanimously on 15 August 2022