

Committee to Consider Town Wide Police District

Cut-off 8/28/2019 noon

Prospective Candidates

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Email received Wed 8/21/2019	James Quaglino	Outside District
Phone call received Thursday 8/22/2019	Craig Scribner	Outside District
Email received Sunday 8/25/2019	Jen Myers	Outside District
in Person on Friday 8/23/2019	Kris Perlee	In District
Email received Friday 8/23/2019	Dave Sharpe	Outside District
Email w/ltr received Monday 8/26/2019	Annie Denny	In District
Email w/ltr received via Town Admin 8/28/2019	John Moyers	Business Leader
Email received Tuesday 8/27/2019	Eric Carter	Business Leader
Email received Wednesday 8/28/2019 am	Dave Cobb	Outside District
Email received Wednesday 8/28/2019 am	Reg Dearborn	In District

Town of Bristol

From: James Quaglino <mjqspop@gmavt.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 21, 2019 3:11 PM
Subject: Police Townwide committee

Valerie, Sharon, Select Board Chair Joel Bouvier

Please add my name to list for consideration to appointment for town wide Police Expansion Committee. My qualifications are already known to the Select Board. I will be OUT OF TOWN/STATE on Sept 2 and will be unable to attend meeting. If you need any further info feel free to contact me. Thanks Jim Quaglino

Town of Bristol

From: Jen Stetson <mattandjen0812@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, August 25, 2019 7:37 PM
To: Town of Bristol
Subject: Town wide police committee

Sharon,

I am writing to you to express my interest in being a member/becoming part of the committee the Selectboard is forming to research going town wide. Besides my personal interest in the matter as a resident who currently does not pay for police services, I feel my experience and involvement in working with the committee to research the fire station location and building will also pertain to this project. I feel this is an important next step for Bristol to consider in thinking about its future.

Please let me know if there is anything further you need from me.

Thank you,

Jen Myers

Town of Bristol

From: Dave Sharpe <davesharpe@gmavt.net>
Sent: Friday, August 23, 2019 4:31 PM
To: Town of Bristol
Subject: Town wide police district

I am interested in serving on the committee considering the possibility of expanding the police district to a town wide district.

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Sharon Lucia
Administrative Assistant
Town of Bristol
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August 25, 2019

Dear Sharon,

I would like to be considered to participate in the committee to consider a town wide police district. I grew up in Bristol and although I moved away as an adult for a few years, I moved back 10 years ago so I have lived here the majority of my life. I try to be an involved community member and I care very much about our town. I think this is a very important issue and it's one that I care deeply about so I'm glad that we are bringing it back to the table after all these years.

As far as my background and my skills are concerned, I have a degree in computers and I am currently finishing up a second degree in Human Services. I spent 13 years as a full time Computer Teacher and am still a part-time Computer Teacher. For the last 8 years I have worked in Human Resources in addition to Accounting as well as some Marketing. In addition to that, I am the treasurer on the board of a local non-profit organization - the Brendon P. Cousino Med47 Foundation, and I have been a licensed foster parent for the last 7 years. I also volunteer at WomenSafe in Middlebury.

I care about my town and the people in it. I have a wide and varied skill set and I have passion and commitment. I would like to be considered for one of the spots on this committee because I would like not only to have my voice heard, but I would like to represent the village of Bristol and help to make all our voices heard.

Thank you for considering my request. I look forward to hearing from you.

Best,

Annie

August 28, 2019

To the Bristol Selectboard:

I'd like to serve on the committee to consider a Bristol town-wide police district.

As a police district resident and owner of several properties within the district, I'm attuned to many of the issues the committee will consider. I've discussed these issues at times over many years with neighbors and other Bristol residents, including several times publicly over a dozen years at Selectboard meetings and at Town Meeting. While it's fair to say I have some opinions already about some of the issues involved, I can say for sure I don't have any preconceived solutions or conclusions — no axe to grind. I can be fair and open-minded about whatever the committee might consider. And I know I can contribute constructively to the committee coming to a consensus, after due deliberation, in making recommendations to Bristol residents for a way forward.

One thing that seems clear to me: for all practical purposes, we already have a town-wide police force. As the Chief confirmed last week at the Selectboard meeting, the police department already answers calls outside the district — they go to Mount Abe Union High School regularly; they run speed and traffic control outside the district regularly; they patrol Bartlett Falls; and if there's a serious incident called in — outside the district and even outside town — the Bristol Police Department goes to the scene. That's the nature of "mutual aid," the agreement by which neighboring town police forces back up each other when needed, wherever the call comes from.

And that seems like a good system to me. "Mutual aid" is a good thing... except that only Bristol police district residents are paying for the department right now, and that does not seem equitable or sustainable.

If you appoint me to the committee, I will be an active member, and I'll work to see that it considers the full range of options, that it educates itself and the public about the issues at stake, makes clear the pros and cons of various options, and then makes a responsible recommendation to town residents.

Chief Bruce Nason has done well by raising this issue now, while there is still plenty of time to consider our options before the Police Department's lease at BristolWorks runs its course. We have the time now to choose a good path, and I'd like to help do that.

Thanks for your consideration.

Respectfully,

John Moyers
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Town of Bristol

From: Eric Carter <carter.insurance50@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 3:09 PM
To: Town of Bristol
Subject: Police District

Hi Sharon

I have interest in serving on the board to discuss town wide police. I have a business in the village and I live in the town.

Thank you for considering my letter ...though short...of interest.

Eric

Eric C Carter Carter Insurance Agency 2 South St Bristol, VT 05443 802-453-6054 p/f

Town of Bristol

From: dave cobb <davecobb@gmavt.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 7:36 AM
To: Town of Bristol
Subject: new police dept expansion committee

I would be interested in serving on this committee. I have owned a business in bristol for 47 years starting in the village and moving to the town 25 years ago. Our home and business are out of the village now and so the local police dept does not cover our area.

Dave Cobb

Town of Bristol

From: dear4@gmavt.net
Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 11:28 AM
To: Town of Bristol
Subject: Police Committee

Sharon,

I talked to Bruce this morning and he convinced me to be interested in review committee! So I don't know if you need a letter stating my interest in review committee but I thought you might need it in writing.

Reg Dearborn

Sent from Windows Mail