



TOWN OF HANOVER
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Joe Colangelo
Town Manager

WORK AGREEMENT – FIRE CHIEF
Jason Cavallaro

This agreement confirms and expressly outlines the salary and fringe benefits to which you shall be entitled as Chief of the Hanover Fire Department from March 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024. The Fire Chief's continued employment and appoint to this position is subject to the provisions in Section 4-15 of Hanover's General Bylaws.

Your annual compensation will be:

- Annual Salary Equivalent to \$159,000 from March 1, 2022 until June 30, 2023
- Annual Salary Equivalent to \$162,000 from July 1, 2023 to December 31, 2024
- Deferred Compensation towards an Eligible 457 plan in your name in the amount of \$10,000 each year starting December 1, 2023

You shall also be entitled to the following benefits:


1. Annual paid vacation of twenty five (25) days. Vacation days may not roll-over from one fiscal year to the next. Unused annual vacation days will not be compensated in anyway. No compensatory time will be available under this contract. All unused vacation leave shall be paid in full to you or to your estate upon your death, and upon separation from employment from the Town, unless such separation is due to just cause.
2. Holidays (included in the annual compensation) are pursuant to the Town of Hanover's Selectboard Policy and Procedures Section 5.
3. Bereavement leave of four (4) days in the event of death in your immediate family shall be given without loss of pay. For purposes of this paragraph, the term immediate family shall mean and include the following: Mother, Father, Mother/Father-in-law, Sister, Brother, Spouse, Child, Sister/Brother-in-law, Grandchild, Grandparent. Additionally, one (1) day of bereavement shall be granted for the death of an Aunt/Uncle, Grandparent/in-law.
4. Sick Leave will accrue at a rate of ten (10) days per year. You will not be eligible for sick-leave buy back at any time during your employment as Fire Chief or upon separation from employment.

No loss of pay or sick leave will be incurred if you are absent from duty because of an injury sustained in the line of duty, for which you may be entitled to compensation under MGL Ch. 41, §111F, or if you are exposed to a contagious or infectious disease, as evidenced by a physician's report.

5. The Town will provide up to three (3) personal days per calendar year for absence for personal business.
6. The Town agrees to provide you with a Command Vehicle. The vehicle shall be provided with emergency communication devices to facilitate contact between the Fire Chief and the Fire Department personnel and apparatus as well as other agencies and vehicles.
7. The Town shall make available life insurance as allowed by MGL Ch. 32B §11A and §11D. The Town has purchased on your behalf while you are an employee of the Town a life insurance policy in the amount of \$5,000 subject to your filing the appropriate forms with the Payroll/Benefits Office.
8. You shall be provided an opportunity to join the Town of Hanover's Group Insurance Plan, which provides for group life insurance, group hospitalization and surgical benefits, and extended benefits care for employees and retired employees, and their eligible dependents, with the premium shared equally (50%-

50% basis) between the employee and the town. Admission to membership in said plan, and entitlement to its benefits, shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract between the Town and the insurance carrier.

9. The Town will require and pay for a physical examination every other year. A clothing allowance of \$1,000 and uniform cleaning allowance of \$750 will be provided by the town as reimbursement for appropriate expenses.
10. Professional Development. You are encouraged to attend courses, conferences, training seminars, etc. applicable to your position paid by the town within the confines of the approved budget. Appropriate notification will be made to the Town Manager regarding your absence while attending such training.
11. The Town agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Chief from liability arising from negligence in accordance with the applicable provisions of MGL Ch. 258. Any gross negligence or misconduct voids indemnity.
12. The position of Fire Chief is a 24/7/365 commitment and you shall not hold other public office, elective or appointed, or perform any other compensated employment for the Town of Hanover or any other employer, without the written consent of the Town Manager. In support of any request under this provision, the Chief shall provide the Town Manager with detailed information regarding time-commitment(s) and duties and will certify in writing that no conflict of interest or appearance of a conflict of interests exists. The parties agree that the Town Manager may approve or reject any requests under this provision in his sole discretion at any time.
13. Pursuant to Paragraph 12 above, you are authorized to continue as a Hazardous Materials Technician with the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services and the State Hazardous Materials Response Division; recognizing the professional benefit both you and the Town receive from it, so long as your duties and time commitment towards these activities do not interfere with your responsibilities as Hanover Fire Chief.
14. Pursuant to Paragraph 12 above, it is recognized that as someone who grew up in Hanover and who lives in Hanover with family that you are involved in the community in many ways including organizations such as the Hanover Youth Athletics Association (HYAA). While the Town of Hanover supports and encourages your many areas of involvement, both parties recognize that potential conflicts-of-interest or appearances of such that could arise, and if any such situations arise, the Fire Chief and Town Manager will discuss the appropriate manner in which the Fire Chief shall handle it.
15. You agree to give the Town 90 days' notice should you choose to leave the employ of the Town as the Fire Chief.
16. It is understood and agreed that you shall be granted a leave of absence from the position of Deputy Fire Chief in the Hanover Fire Department for the duration of the probationary period of your appointment.


Joe Colangelo, Town Manager

Date:

1-March-2022

Approved by Selectboard:


David Delaney, Chair


Rhonda Nyman, Vice Chair


Vanessa O'Connor


Steve Louko


Jason Cavallaro, Fire Chief

Date:

3/1/2022

Date:

FEBRUARY 28, 2022


John Tuzik