

**Leyden Selectboard  
Leyden Town Offices  
Regular Session Minutes  
November 9, 2020  
7:00pm**

**Selectboard Members Present:** Bill Glabach, Jeff Neipp

**Others Present:** Michele Giarusso, Brian Pelletier, Elizabeth Kuzdeba, Evan Abramson, Erica Jansen, Gilda Galvis, Dan Galvis, Susan Bobe

Meeting called to order at 7:09 pm.

**Minutes**

**Motion:** Jeff moved the minutes of October 26, 2020 as written. Unanimous.

The board signed the Memorandum of Understanding \$24,000 MVP Grant from the Franklin Regional Council of Gov'ts to assist in planning for Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) process.

**Discussion**

Evan Abramson explained his willingness to serve on the Conservation Commission. He is currently working with solar companies. He would like to get involved in the town since moving here 2 years ago and would be willing to help the planning and conservation boards write language for solar farms as well and any visibility and water issues as they pertain to solar or any other area concerning to the town.

**Motion:** Jeff moved to appoint Evan Abramson to the Conservation Commission. Unanimous.

Letter from Cliff Carlson. Cliff stated in his letter his concern with the Beavers damming up the water on West Leyden Road. He believes at some point this could wash the road out. Jeff stated Dave Brooks talked to the town of Conway highway superintendent and they got permission from MA DEP or MA Fish and Game to deal with their Beaver issue. Dave is looking into it and will report back.

Board of Health letter -Beth shared the latest updates from the Governor's office as it pertains to Covid. The latest is everyone must wear masks inside and outside of public buildings starting today. Executive order 55 also states that employers can now ask employees for documentation of their medical exemption from wearing face masks for those that have previously claimed this exemption. The previous order of maintaining six feet of distance with a barrier no longer applies. Everyone must wear a face mask or be subject to possible fines. Beth stated since there is an employee in this building meeting with the public not wearing a mask, the select board should now ask for the documented medical exemption. The board signed the letter and asked Michele to inform the employee in writing as well as attach a copy of Order 55.

Police department moving to town office building. Jeff suggested that the police department move to town office building, Highway department move to police station building and fire department move to town hall office. Dan and Gilda stated it would be warmer in the winter in the town office building and they do not see any barriers. Bill stated both fire and police should make a plan, think of any issues that they may encounter with the moves and report back to the board on Nov. 23.

RAVE alert contract-discussed signing up for a 3 or 5 year contract.

**Motion:** Jeff moved to sign the contract for 5 years at \$2,850 per year. Unanimous.

Liaison to Fire department -Jeff stated since Lance was the liaison he would be willing to be liaison now. Jeff also stated the brush truck should be back in service in a couple of weeks. The generator will have been replaced.

Michele stated she filled out the Cares grant spreadsheet for reporting period number 2 and sent to DLS. Michele also stated that the school district wants to know who the town voted in as the third school committee person since they have not heard back from the town clerk. Jeff stated the town clerk should send the amount of vote ins.

**Motion:** Bill moved to adjourn meeting at 8:35pm. Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Michele Giarusso