

Leyden Select Board Meeting Minutes
Leyden Town Offices
Regular Session Minutes
November 8, 2021
6:00pm

Bill G / Erica J in attendance. Jeff not in attendance

Meeting called to order at 6:04pm

Motion by EJ to approve no more than \$500 from Board and Committee expenses for MLP financial team to attend a virtual workshop.
Bill and EJ "Aye".

Update on police:

Lt Mike Aiken has been appointed Officer in Charge. The patrol schedule has been set thru Nov 30 2021. MSP to patrol thru town occasionally. The Leyden SB to meet with Bernardston SB and Chief Palmeri on Nov 14 to have an initial conversation regarding the future needs of policing in both towns.

Brian P: LFD needs help: whether it is volunteers to actually fight fires or help doing other things that can assist the LFD.

Ann Z: a little outreach goes a long way.

Ann: Mark Fournier ready to start courses for first responders and can the courses be held in gathering room in Town Office. This was agreed on.

Beth: what is next for all applicants to the LFD?

Beth: any way to get a message to towns people to get extinguishers smoke detectors so that people can protect themselves.

Motion made by EJ to have the town moderator appoint the steering committee on the future of the police dept. Bill/EJ "Aye".

Ginger R: does the committee need a mandate to look at public safety services as a whole?

Liz Kidder: steering committee needs a mission statement and agrees with Ginger that the committee should have a larger mandate that covers all public safety services.

Liz Kidder: name can be "Public Safety Advisory Committee". This was agreed on as the name moving forward.

Ann Z: Emergency Management System should be part of the discussion as well.

Liz Kidder: Will the committee report into the SB?

Emily W: Will a SB member be part of the committee as oversight?

Beth: asked that Gilda bring back any masks /gloves from the police dept to the town office.

Meeting adjourned at 7:42pm

Erica Jensen