

Minutes of the Select Board Meeting, October 26, 2021

Hilary Weeks and Patrick Williamson were present; Rebecca Coletta was absent. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Police Department

Chief Litchfield and Administrative Assistant to the Chief Howard Bronstein updated the Board on departmental happenings. The September police log was prepared by Howard. Howard has agreed to be the Police Department liaison to the Plainfield Police Working Group as it would be inappropriate for a police officer to participate in a community survey about the department. Howard stated his willingness to attend a PPWG meeting. However, as two members of the group would not be in attendance he felt the meeting would not be productive. The community survey was discussed and questioned whether there was still a need. Hilary will follow up with the points of action assigned to the PPWG at the May 25, 2021 meeting and ask the PPWG to report their progress at a future meeting of the Board.

Howard also noted there is more PPD information on the town website than any other board or committee. Additionally, with the Police Department's monthly meeting with the Board in open meeting, the monthly log, and calls/visits to the department the need for a survey was questioned.

A copy of the Traffic Control Officer Policy was received. This same policy is the model used by other area towns.

Resignation

Hilary moved to accept Ann Kohn's resignation from the Board of Library Trustees with regret and appreciation for her service. The motion, seconded by Patrick, was approved.

Other Business

Building Commissioner Gerry Garner has provided an email contact which will be posted on the Plainfield website. He is expected to resume his in-person office hours soon.

The Board discussed and decided not to participate in the Healthy Hampshire program.

IT Grant: NOVUS has reported the work for the IT Grant and the Municipal Wide Area Network has been completed.

Participation in the Upper Pioneer Valley Veterans' Services District was discussed. The District Advisory Board voted to continue operations for the next three years; Select Boards of member towns must vote to continue on as members. Hilary moved to continue membership in the Upper Pioneer Valley Veterans' Services District for the next three years. The motion, seconded by Patrick, was approved.

Other mail was reviewed.

Warrants were signed.

A motion to adjourn was entertained and approved at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula J. King
Administrative Secretary